

MINUTES MEETING OF  
NORTH KELVIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
ON LINE MEETING  
7<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2025 AT 18.30 HOURS

Present:

Councillor Ken Andrew, Bailie Martha Wardrop.

**NKCC** - Alasdair MacDonald, Christine Alison, Merle Read, Joyce Khatri, Rowena Staat, Patricia Grant.

**Residents and others** – Gary Fanning (The Splash Glasgow), Eszter Tarnai (Glasgow Times), Tara Barclay

Apologies: Councillor Seonad Hoy, Councillor Marie Garrity, Elaine Doherty, Louise MacKenzie, Douglas Peacock, Frank Shennan, Stuart Wallace

Alasdair MacDonald chaired the meeting.

1. ELECTION OF MINUTE SECRETARY FOR THIS MEETING – Christine Alison
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – Proposed by Christine Alison, Seconded by Patricia Grant
3. POLICE REPORT – no report or apologies received  
Christine has been in email contact with Colin MacLucas (Area Inspector, GF Sub Division, Greater Glasgow Division, Police Scotland, Maryhill Police Station) about concerns over lack of contact with the police recently. He has promised to ensure police attendance at meetings where possible and he asked what sort of information we would like in our reports. He stated that he was unable to provide us with data or statistics beyond what is published through the Police Scotland, Scottish Police Authority and Scottish Government website. Gary Fanning stated that the crime statistics for each ward are published quarterly on the Police Website. He said he would send the link to Christine.
4. FOLLOW UP ON ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING  
Gullies in QMRd and Kelvinside Terr South - Scottish Water (SW) has cancelled the repair to the sewer. Martha Wardrop is trying to arrange a site meeting with SW and Council Officers to discuss the repairs. Following this repair then new gullies can be installed by the Council.  
Leaf Clearing in QMRd – no progress.
5. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON – Louise MacKenzie proposed by Merle Read and seconded by Patricia Grant.
6. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS  
Martha Wardrop – gritting around NK Primary School has been an issue and she is trying to arrange for grit bags to be dropped off at the turning circle. Further grit bins are required. Martha asked that NKCC contact the school about this. Concerns have also been raised about bins and recycling. She is still following up the issue of bin shelter refurbishment in

Lyndhurst Gardens Lane. Street sweeping is also an ongoing issue. Dario Pizzas has been disposing of commercial waste next to street bins in QMDrive. MW will raise this with commercial waste enforcement. Ken Andrew – reported that he has already raised the issue of Dario Pizzas with commercial waste enforcement. He has also recently been in touch with John Telfer (Parking Services) about the RPZ review and this will be decided imminently.

#### 7. UPDATE ON CLOSURE OF KELVINSIDE TERR SOUTH/QMRd

MW thanked residents, Councillor Andrew, NKCC and Council Officers for their efforts in getting Kelvinside Terr South and QMRd reopened. Trish and Rowena thanked Ken Andrew and Martha Wardrop for their efforts and noted that it was a great Christmas present that Cllr Andrew's proposal had been adopted for the reopening of the road. MW is aware that the painted parking bays have still to be burnt off and that the planting and care of the planters has to be arranged. RS will raise the issue of the planters with the Garden Committee of the Sixty Steps at next week's meeting.

Patricia made the point that signage for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians would be helpful. Ken Andrew said that he would look into this.

#### 8. FRIENDS OF RUCHILL PARK

Alasdair reported that Ruchill Park and The Claypits are the main green spaces in the area. There are regular volunteering opportunities at Ruchill Park on the second Sunday of every month (12 – 3 pm) and The Claypits on the third Sunday of every month.

#### 9. GLASGOW 850 - SEE BELOW

Andrea said that the Children's Wood will be celebrating their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary and that there will be opportunities to add on Glasgow 850 celebrations to any events at the Wood. Andrea will speak to the Head Teachers of the primary schools to find out if they have any activities planned which we can support.

Rowena indicated that she has a lot of information, display material and a guided walk which can illustrate the development of North Kelvin. Dunard PS has done some interesting work in this regard and could contribute to any planned activity. Merle suggested we could make this part of The QMD Festival.

Alasdair suggested that we discuss this further at the next meeting and set up a sub group to work on this.

#### 10. COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Merle reported that she has issued the newsletter. Parking is the most visited topic on the website. Recently people have been looking at the Ruchill Park link. The Park Run has a Facebook page.

Merle agreed to display the location of grit bins in the area on the website.

#### 11. HOUSE OF MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY (HMO) LICENSING REPORT

Frank is preparing a document on HMOs for our website. Ken Andrew reported that he is trying to arrange a meeting about inspections of HMO

premises with Council Officers from Licensing. Once this meeting has been arranged a representative from each Community Council will be invited to attend.

12. COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP – Elaine has emailed to suggest that we do the next clean up in February. It was proposed that we try to fix clean ups to the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month since there are other volunteering activities on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> weekends each month. Christine asked attendees to have a look around for areas which need to be targeted for a clean-up. Alasdair mentioned that there are still areas with a lot of leaves.

#### 13. PLANNING OFFICER'S REPORT

Rowena reported that the Café Ibiza application is still ongoing. There is no activity on the Kelbourne Street site.

#### 14. AOB

Substitute for Hillhead Area Partnership meetings – Christine volunteered for this. Ken Andrew is now the Chairperson of HHAP. He stated that meetings would alternate between face to face and on-line.

Andrea Fisher thanked everyone who had been involved in the very successful 9 school events in the Botanic Gardens. The Botanic's Tour Guides are keen to arrange further school activities, perhaps around Easter so that the pupils can see the bulbs that they planted growing.

Alasdair reported that we are now in the third year of the Health Walks and have 33 participants on the contact list. The next walk is on 12<sup>th</sup> January, starting at 2pm from the corner of QMDr and QMRd.

Venue for next meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2025 agreed to be Maryhill Community Central Halls; Christine will book the hall.

### **Addendum**

#### **Glasgow 850 - How to Get Involved**

Throughout 2025 Glasgow will mark its 850th birthday by delivering, with partners, a **yearlong, citywide, programme** that **celebrates and reflects** on our recent past, our present and future. **Glasgow 850** is looking forward to celebrating the role that Community Councils have on the fabric of our city and hope to collaborate to promote your community council and the volunteers that support you. Glasgow 850 is a platform for you to celebrate the volunteers that make all you do possible, as well as an opportunity to enhance your community council' presence and membership.

We are encouraging organisations and community groups to get involved and create their own celebrations and activities for Glasgow's birthday. You could hold an open day to highlight your volunteering opportunities and the work you do, hold a celebration tea with your existing volunteers or community, or host a talk related to one of the Glasgow 850.

As part of the Glasgow 850 volunteer programme, we will host a series of training and engagement sessions for our volunteers. These will be a mixture of training opportunities to help grow volunteers' skills and confidence, and fun activities that help build a strong sense of community amongst the volunteers. We are looking to organisations and community groups to help enhance this programme.

If you would like to grow your volunteer pool, or offer your skills to our training and engagement programme, let us know by emailing [Glasgow850volunteering@glasgow.gov.uk](mailto:Glasgow850volunteering@glasgow.gov.uk) and we can discuss ways to promote your Community Council's opportunities to the Glasgow 850 volunteers