



Gorgie Dalry  
Community Council  
Minutes

Monday 6th June 2022

Attendees

GDCC

Angela Astor(AA), Rona Brown(RB), Aiden Collins(AC), Joan Gordon-Chair(JG), Alex McKendrick(AM)

Councillors Ross MacKenzie(RM)

Local Residents Nancy MacDonald - Garvald(NM)

WELCOME

JG opened the meeting, welcoming everyone and facilitated introductions.

Quorum and Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr. Denis Dixon, Mathew Reilly

Alex MacKendrick has left the CC area and a resignation letter has to go to Governance.

The meeting was quorate.

Approval of Minute of Meeting held on 4th April 2022

The minute was proposed by RB and seconded by AA

Matters Arising

Public art - JG to contact Cllr Fullerton about this.

Public Toilet - JG to contact Anne Budge to sponsor such.

Jubilee Tree - “ “ “ Craig Dunlop about this.

Minute Secretary - JG to contact Catriona Windle and Volunteer Forum to advertise this position

Correspondence

A student wants to carry out a survey on local thoughts about PBSA's for her dissertation from Napier University. She wanted to post this on the Gorgie Dalry Neighbours page. We had no objections and could give her our research, if she desired.

Engagement and Communications

Nothing at this point

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer had paid various bills amounting to £186.83. The balance left is £1321.

#### Councillor's Reports

RM 1 - BT want to remove the unused phone boxes, next to the Co-op at Dalry. The wish to replace them with modern hubs. These will have space for advertising, phone charging and improved WiFi. There is BT infrastructure underneath the boxes which will be left in case it is useful at a later date.

Living Streets want the phone boxes removed.

2 - MacAlpine are putting in 8 portacabins, for their building works, and there have been concerns from residents on Distillery Lane about loss of light.

3 - RM had been contacted by local residents about overflowing communal bins on the streets off Gorgie Road and also flytipping.

4 - Westfield Court - there is an issue with the heating and hot water being on at the wrong times and, also, the water was too hot.

RM will ask if a Westfield resident would like to come to the CC meetings.

#### Planning and Licencing

Planning permission is required to remove the telephone boxes at Dalry Co-op. The CC has no objection to their removal.

AM will write to the Planning Dept. to indicate that the CC support the removal.

#### Items for Discussion

Old Tynecastle High - Teague have put in new documents showing minor changes to the plans. The CC need to have a close look at the changes.

AM to write to Planning to ask for the new numbers and what changes had been made.

AM to write to Alex Orr to request that members of the CC come to see inside the building along with Cllr RM on June 20th at 4.45pm.

Short Term Lets - there is consultation on Licensing Applications for STL's. This could include a cap on numbers of STL's in any given area. This has come from the Scottish Government at Holyrood. The consultation is open until 10th June.

PBSA at Westfield Road. Planning permission is being applied for this build. This is the same company that are building a Student Residence behind Sainsburys car park. It is felt that the CC cannot support this build.

#### Park Cleanup/Litter pick

Litter pick in Community Park - date to be decided

#### AOCB

NM representing Garvald handed out notices about an open day on 25th June to show the newly refurbished centre. They had had a Cleanup on the cycle path from Hutchison Crossway to Slateford Green with help from McDonalds. (Manager - Graham Angus) McDonald's had gifted £5,000 to Garvald for their outdoor area - picnic tables, tools etc.

There being no other business JG thanked everyone for coming and for all their work for our community and declared the meeting closed.

Date of next meeting - Monday 1st August 2022.

