**Corstorphine Community Council Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**Date and time:** Wednesday 17 April 2019, 7.00 pm

**Location:** Resident’s Lounge, The Trust Housing Association, 17 Kirk Loan

**Attendees:** Cllr Mark Brown, Ian Todd, Alan Sillars, Dave Latimer, David Evans (Christine Jardine MP’s office), Cora Stewart, Robert Smith, Lynda Fisher, Raymond Fox, Olive Taylor, PC Euan Sinclair, Warren Hope, Jon Melville, Steve Kerr, Keith Walker, Donnie Johnstone, Tommy McLean, Jamie Summers, John Kerr, Nathan Readie, Hazel Roper,

Jane Kerr

**Apologies:** Cllr Robert Aldridge, Fiona Moug, Cllr Frank Ross, Susan Murray, Sheila Ramsay, Ian Kirkpatrick, Claire Connachan

**Minutes:** Proposed: Warren Hope Seconded: Nathan Readie

**Police Report**

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|  | March 2019 | March 2018 |
| Housebreakings                 | 4 | 4 |
| Theft                          |  16 | 10 |
| Vandalism | 12 | 3 |
| Violence                       | 5 | 5 |
| Road traffic                   | 12 | 8 |
| Antisocial behaviour  | 2 | 5 |
| Miscellaneous including drugs | 6 | 17 |
| Calls for service | 251 | 235 |
| Crimes reported | 57 | 52 |
| Crimes Solved | 13 | 23 |

PC Sam Davison is moving to Arran which means that PC Euan Sinclair will be staying in Corstorphine. Other personnel moves are planned in the future but there will be no change in head count.

Parking at school gates: Corstorphine, Carrick Knowe, Roseburn, St Georges and Mary Erskine are all monitored by the Community Policing team with the first two being the most problematic.

Motorbikes are regularly seen going between the bollards on south Gyle Road. Nathan to send Euan number plates.

The council should be contacted regarding cars parked on double yellow/red lines. The police should be contacted iro cars travelling the wrong way up Kirk Loan or cars obstructing the pavements.

The police are responsible for enforcing the no right turn at the top of Featherhall Avenue from St John’s Road and into David Lloyd from the Glasgow Road.

**Councillor’s Reports and Questions**

Cllr Brown

* Wall at Forrester (south) end of Meadow Place Road has been repaired at the cost of £48,000. Temporary traffic lights have now been removed.
* Entertainment license for the Russian Circus in Gyle Park in July has not yet been granted so there is still time to lodge an objection.
* Funding to repair the OPC graveyard paths will be raised at the Western Partnership meeting on 23 April. However, the changes to the traffic system in Featherhall Avenue could use a large portion of this budget. Tommy McLean suggested trying to get the graveyard paths work costed and take that figure to the NEPs meeting.
* Where has the compactor bin on the path behind the Tesco garage gone?
* Less trains are stopping at South Gyle due to a reduction in the Scotrail service.
* Are there red light cameras at the Station Road and White Lady pedestrian crossings? No! Cars are not always stopping in time. It also appears that the green man is on for less time than it used to be.

**Sub committees and Working Groups**

Planning – Warren Hope

* Stuart Buchanan from Cardrossam and Ben Wilson from CEC will attend May meeting to answer questions from CCC members.
* James Wall agent for Barratt Homes will attend June meeting.
* Warren invited to attend presentation by Crosswind Developments on 17 May to discuss possible mixed use development on decommissioned runway at Edinburgh Airport.
* Re development at South Gyle Crescent, is 0.5 parking space per household correct? Cllr Douglas to double check with CEC.
* East of 30 Forrester Park for two rows of single storey garages (total 23) by ALL U STORE.

Business, Licensing and Amenities – Steve Kerr

* **Any volunteers to be the CC representative for the Licensing Process?**
* Post meeting note – license application from The Co-op for premises at 141 St John’s Road (ex-Sainsburys) has been made to amend licence for off premises product consumption.

Environment – Susan Murray

* Old Parish graveyard pavements are owned by CEC - still no action despite this being promised September 2018. **Update 17/04/19** – see comments from Cllr Brown above.
* Pavement parking legislation – when will this be in place? **Update 17/04/19** – Transport bill finished stage 1 at the beginning of April. No date set at the moment for stage 2.

Please also refer to Councillor’s Action List for points raised at this and previous meetings.

**AOB**

* Complaint received from CEC regarding comments made on CCC’s Twitter feed after March meeting. CEC felt that the comments made regarding the road changes at Featherhall were not a true reflection of what was discussed at the meeting. The concern over losing trees at the south end was mentioned however that had never been suggested. Also, option 5 was felt to be the most cost effective and quickest option. Written apology has been sent to CEC.
* This year’s Corstorphine Community Festival will be held from Sunday 26 May to Saturday 1 June. **Update 17/04/**19 - Programme to be printed soon.
* Corstorphine Community Centre rebuild is still approximately £0.5m short. New manager for The Hub has been appointed. They will be there three days a week and part of their remit will be to help with raising more money to meet the shortfall. Applications to trust funds are still ongoing.
* YouthTalk are hoping to run an event at The Corstorphine Astoria Centre on the morning of Friday 21 June. Steven Kipanda, CEC Lifelong Learning Officer is currently reaching out to schools to get feedback on what topics should be discussed – pollution, climate change, community activities, etc.
* Post meeting note - Claire Connachan has kindly agreed to respond to Living Streets iro Tackling Cluttered Pavements on behalf of CCC.
* Our thanks to The Trust Housing Association for hosting and their attendance at the meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.22 pm.

Next meeting is on Wednesday 15 May 2019, 7.00 pm in The Dower House, St Margaret’s Park.