**Corstorphine Community Council Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**Date and time:**  Wednesday 23 October 2019, 7.00 pm

**Location:**  The Dower House, St Margaret’s Park

**Attendees:**  Ian Kirkpatrick, Cora Stewart, Angela Benzies, Cllr Gillian Gloyer, Deborah McCall, Dave Latimer, Fiona Moug,

Jonathan Melville, Robert Stokes (FRA), Keith Walker (FoGP), Nathan Readie (SGPA), Warren Hope,

Steve Kerr, Jane Kerr

**Apologies:**  John Kerr, Claire Connachan, Cllr Claire Bridgman, Cllr Robert Aldridge, Cllr Mark Brown, Tommy McLean, Patricia Lang, Cllr Scott Douglas

**Minutes:**  Proposed: Steve Kerr Seconded: Ian Kirkpatrick

**Co-opting of Individuals and Local Interest Groups**

Proposed: Steve Kerr Seconded: Jane Kerr

Claire Connachan – council member

Jonathan Melville – council member

Cora Stewart – council member

Keith Walker – Friends of Gyle Park

Nathan Readie – South Gyle Proprietors Association

Ian Kirkpatrick – Corstorphine Churches Together

Robert Stokes – Forrester Residents Association

**Police Report – no attendance at meeting**

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|  | September 2019 | September 2018 |
| Housebreakings                 | 4 | 2 |
| Theft                          | 23 | 4 |
| Vandalism | 11 | 8 |
| Violence                       | 16 | 7 |
| Road traffic                   | 5 | 8 |
| Hate  | 0 | 0 |
| Miscellaneous including drugs | 13 | 8 |
| Calls for service | 303 | 234 |
| Crimes reported | 72 | 37 |
| Crimes Solved | 24 | 17 |

**Councillor’s Reports and Questions**

Cllr Brown – via email

* Last Saturday (19th October), in conjunction with the Community Police, organised a Bike Marking event at Forrester Park. The event was well received and over 20 bikes were marked, including owners cycling in from Wester Hailes to take up the opportunity. It is anticipated that another event will be put in the diary circa January for those fortunate enough to make it onto Santa’s list for a two-wheeled surprise!
* I’m pleased to note that double yellow lines have finally been put in place around the South Gyle area. A big thank you to Nathan Readie for his perseverance with this matter – one that has been dragging on for the last eight years or so!
* There have been a number of residents contacting me re Council lamp post wraps still being in situ post-event. This resulted in me submitting a written question ahead of tomorrow’s Full Council Meeting. The response I received to asking what leads times are in place for removal was as follows:

“The guidance states that lamp post wraps may be installed for a maximum period of 28 days. Typically, the duration is less and timescales are generally dictated by the end date of the campaign or need for public messages. Where a supplier is used, they are instructed with installation and removal dates. Lamp post wraps for the Edinburgh Fringe festival are managed as part of a contract with by Out of Hand Ltd. These are in place for the duration of the festival and can be in place up to 20 September.”

Cllr Gloyer

* TEC committee met on the 10th of October. There were 3,000 responses to the LEZ consultation. There is to be a further report in February 2020. (Steve added that he had a conversation with Will Garrett re extending the boundaries of the LEZ but the response is that there will be very little change to what has been proposed and that there will be a further consultation.)
* 20 mph rollout has had its first year review. On average speeds have reduced by 1.3 mph. Assessment to be done to include more streets after requests from the general public. It is hoped that more relaxed streets will encourage people to walk and cycle therefore improving the quality of life for all road users.
* OPC pathway – Gillian will pass on to Robert. Steve did speak to Dave Sinclair during the summer about this. He will chase.
* Stickers for garden refuse bins – homes are not receiving their stickers even although payment from the council has been received. A large number of residents in the Gyle have been affected – Nathan to pass names and addresses to Gillian.
* No right turn sign (not the lamp post) at the top of Featherhall should be illuminated but it’s still broken. Gillian will check with Robert.
* Any update on why there has been a reduction of litter bins in the local parks? No, but will check.

**Sub committees and Working Groups**

Planning – Warren Hope

* Concern that there is only one access road to the airport. New proposed road will bisect this.
* Airport have appointed a public affairs company. Invitation will be sent asking them to attend a future CCC meeting.
* Housing to 2040 – Scottish Government roadshow looking to include cc involvement. Reaches Edinburgh 11 and 12 December.
* Meeting with Forrester Residents Association, Steve Kerr, Mr Whitmy (garages owner) and Craig Ormond (MikMac) to discuss how to go forward iro same to be held in November.
* 14 Kirk Loan – 19/04784/FUL – there has been a further planning application for rebuilding and extending the fire damaged Corstorphine Community Centre to include a new entrance pavilion.

Business, Licensing and Amenities – Steve Kerr and Angela Benzies

* Bus lane operational hours – stakeholder workshop invitation. Post meeting note: email circulated 24/10/19.
* Angela Benzies introduced herself to attendees. Background of engineering then higher education and is now self-employed HE consultant. Working with Steve they are keen to look at networking opportunities for small businesses along the Roseburn, Murrayfield, Corstorphine corridor. Laura Chapman (Chapmans Property Letting) at Roseburn is interested in getting involved. Look at using social media to link in businesses and get this off the ground. Possible venues for a reception to be researched.

Environment – Steve Kerr

* Susan Murray has intimated that she will no longer be a member of the CCC but would still like to be involved in environmental discussions affecting the local area eg, filtered permeability.
* Meeting to be set up with CEC and informed CCC members to discuss filtered permeability. Two possible areas for a trial could be Featherhall and South Gyle.
* West Edinburgh Link – Nathan has contacted Dave Sinclair to ask the question regarding the removal of 250 (now reduced to 170) parking spaces. Canvas of people at South Gyle was done (a) during the school holidays and (b) on a Saturday. Spaces allocated to buildings that are closed have been included in the count. West Edinburgh Link have intimated that they would like to do attend a future CCC meeting to provide a project update. Jane to arrange.

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

**AOB**

* Six houses were broken into in one night in Old Kirk Road and surrounding streets. Be vigilant!
* Bonfire night is approaching which is, obviously, a busy time for the police and fire services. Operation Crackle is a city-wide initiative where police and CEC will work together to identify possible hotspots.
* Steve gave a short recap of his October report.
* Western Neighbourhood Network Funding Panel – link to application form passed out to CCC members. People are encouraged to apply for grants up to £5,000 for local projects. Non-constituted groups should apply via CCC. Constituted groups can apply directly. Post meeting note: Application guidance notes and application form have been passed out to council members.
* Nathan informed the meeting about the Herbert Protocol. It is an information gathering tool to assist the police in finding a person living with dementia. More information and the form can be found here: https://www.scotland.police.uk/your-community/edinburgh
* Steve will lay a wreath at Remembrance Service on 10 November on behalf of CCC.
* When(?) we have a general election, Steve has suggested holding a hustings for local candidates. Ian pointed out that local churches have done this in the past.
* December meeting to be held earlier than normal due to other festive commitments. CAC not available so other venues will be investigated.
* Last CCC meeting to be held in The Dower House. The building is not inclusive so moving to The Corstorphine Astoria Centre will allow all members of the public to attend.

Meeting closed at 8.20 pm. Next meeting is on ***Tuesday 19 November 2019***, 7.00 pm at ***The Corstorphine Astoria Centre, 18 Kirk Loan***.