**Corstorphine Community Council Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**Date and time:** Wednesday 21 August 2019, 7.00 pm

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

**Attendees:** Ian Kirkpatrick, Cllr Claire Bridgman, Cora Stewart, Sheila Ramsay, Ian Todd, Dave Latimer, Fiona Moug, Jon Melville, Cllr Mark Brown, Claire Connachan, Keith Walker, Tommy McLean, Nathan Readie, Robert Stokes,

David Whelan (Corstorphine Dynamo FC), John Kerr, Susan Murray, Warren Hope, Steve Kerr, Jane Kerr

**Apologies:** Cllr Scott Douglas, Deborah McCall, Cllr Frank Ross

**Minutes:** Proposed: Warren Hope Seconded: Sheila Ramsay

**Police Report – figures supplied by Paula Smith, Ward Officer, Corstorphine/Murrayfield**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | June 2019 | July 2019 | June 2018 | July 2018 |
| Housebreakings                 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 2 |
| Theft                          | 6 | 12 | 14 | 8 |
| Vandalism | 10 | 2 | 7 | 5 |
| Violence                       | 6 | 4 | 1 | 8 |
| Road traffic                   | 2 | 5 | 6 | 11 |
| Hate  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Miscellaneous including drugs | 13 | 11 | 15 | 6 |
| Calls for service | 167 | 154 | 165 | 197 |
| Crimes reported | 40 | 40 | 44 | 40 |
| Crimes Solved | 11 | 12 | 15 | 15 |

**Corstorphine Dynamo FC – David Whelan**

The club was set up four years ago and now has three amateur and two youth teams and are looking to link with Beechwood Boys Club. They are currently leasing the pavilion aka The Dynamo Hub at Gyle Park and are in the process of refurbishing it. The main hall is now complete and on evenings during the week is being used by various local groups. The club are receiving sponsorship from Neilsons and this has allowed them to get matching strips for all the teams. They have tried to get a women’s football team started but haven’t succeeded yet. They will try again. Cllr Bridgman and Nathan Readie both offered help in trying to secure funding from the community grant fund and the Robertson's Trust respectively.

**Forrester Park Residents – update – Robert Stokes**

Robert provided a quick overview iro the parking and garages in Forrester Park. Mr Whitmey has been refused permission to construct 23 storage units to the east of Forrester Park however as he can lay claim to about 50 other sites a resolution to that is still required. Full email and title deed details can be found at <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/pmz5z54x8l5ibgg/AAC1_sXkhOQ5UjaxEXN_Mbm1a?dl=0>

**Councillor’s Reports and Questions**

Cllr Bridgman

* Future plans for Craigmount community wing are still unclear but will remain as is until December 2019. Lifelong learning has to be paid for in full in advance which is out of a lot of people’s reach. The community wing allows people to PAYG. Would it be possible for CCC chair to discuss this with Craigmount’s headmaster?
* Several road and pavement refurbishments are planned for the near future. For more information see <http://edinburgh.cdmf.info/public/disruptions/list.htm>
* Conducted Living Streets walkabout with Claire Connachan.
* City fibre rollout will see £100m spent over five years to improve infrastructure. Drumbrae is scheduled for Spring 2020.
* More consultation events have been set up iro West Edinburgh Link. Post meeting note: Email with dates and times of these have been circulated to council members.
* Keith Wilson to contact Cllr Bridgman re ownership of Gylemuir Care Home iro garden/hedge maintenance.

Cllr Brown – via email

* Another application for a Big Kids Circus in Gyle Park in April/May 2020 has been received (in time!) from the council. Have written to CEC with a strongly worded objection. (CCC post meeting note – CEC email passed to FOTGP chair to distribute to residents. Several objections from same have already been lodged with CEC.)
* Several points raised iro weeds and littering in and around Corstorphine. Cllrs Brown and Bridgman will take this forward.
* Travelled with Community Policing unit. Constant stream of wide-ranging calls received by the unit during this time.
* Cllr Brown to raise the issue of residents missing the sign-up window for brown bin collections at the full council meeting on 22 August.

**Sub committees and Working Groups**

Planning – Warren Hope

* Application for 12 Glasgow Road to be an HMO. The applicant is already known due to the issues around the Marine Hotel which he owns. Warren will put in opposition to this on behalf of CCC. Police Scotland have also objected. If any other Council members have a mind to, they could object as well.
* John Kerr - No update on Pinkhill/Dandara.
* Pizza Hut on St John’s Road has gone into receivership. MacMik development will most likely start in 2021 with the development on Iceland site following close behind.
* Warrant to attend a NHS meeting with Stuart Buchanan (Cardrossam) to discuss local health centre at West Craigs. The consultation on the catchment area of schools is due to start on 28 August. Steve will contact Stuart to discuss the tone of future correspondence.

Business, Licensing and Amenities – Steve Kerr

* Featherhall Avenue one-way system report circulated to Council members pre-meeting. This was followed by a discussion around suitability of filtered permeability on some roads in the area. Steve will organise a meeting with informed representatives from CEC and CCC to discuss this. This will not replace Featherhall Avenue one-way system. FP has benefits including but not exclusive to helping with road-ware; noise; pollution; flexibility. Question from Dave Latimer post one-way system. Will parking spaces be allocated to residents in Featherhall Avenue? Steve will ask at the meeting.
* LEZ consultation results will be announced in December.
* Place Principle – Steve to meet with Paul Lawrence, CEC’s Executive Director of Place, to discuss this.
* Neighbourhood Networks – Paul Lawrence has asked that we go with this for six months. Steve to attend a meeting in October with a 1-2-1 with Paul scheduled for next week.
* Steve will also discuss with Paul the parking situation in Corstorphine as the 1-2-1.

Environment – Susan Murray

* Old Parish graveyard pavements are owned by CEC - still no action despite this being promised September 2018. **Update 21/08/19 –** Steven to contact Dave Sinclair at CEC.
* Lots on social media re traffic and pavement parking.
* Street lighting changes in Drumbrae and Gyle scheduled for September.
* Lots on social media regarding flooding. If you’re concerned you might be affected, sandbags are available at local fire stations.

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

**AOB**

* Post meeting note. Olive Taylor has resigned from the Council. In her resignation email she stated that she’s enjoyed her time on the Council and wanted to pass on her best wishes to the members and hopes that we continue with the good work we do for our community.
* How is the 20 mph on Saughton Road North enforced? Use the 101 telephone number to report incidents. Nathan will contact the community police.
* Keith Walker – speed limit on the road through Gyle park had changed from 5 mph to 20 mph (and there’s a sign for 15mph). Contact details for the David Lloyd operations manager and appropriate CEC transport representative have been swapped. It is hoped they will coordinate with each other and find a resolution.
* Tommy McLean – compactor bin on the path at Tesco was a trial and was removed. CEC were not aware that the bin hadn’t been replaced.
* Tommy McLean – approach has been made by CEC to discuss funding as part of the capital review programme. Relevant documentation has been forwarded and the outcome will be announced in December. In the meantime, plans have been put out to tender to get an idea of how much the build would cost. If the money is awarded then the build could hopefully start in January 2020. It will take approximately 15 months so may clash with the MacMik plans for the St John’s Road development.
* Tommy McLean – Youth coordinator has been appointed (10 hours per week) and has started work with schools and is hoping to develop the facilities at The Hub.
* Tommy McLean – Vintage Plus for older residents is launching on 4 September.
* Tommy McLean – space available at The Hub for groups to meet.
* Ian Kirkpatrick – 1 October is the deadline for articles to be included in the next issue of Let’s Talk About Corstorphine.
* Corstorphine Primary School will be taking part in the Bike Bus to School on 6 September.

Meeting closed at 9.00 pm. Next meeting is on Wednesday 18 September 2019, 7.00 pm in The Dower House, St Margaret’s Park.