**Corstorphine Community Council Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**Date and time:**  Tuesday 18 February 2020, 7.00 pm

**Location:**  The Corstorphine Astoria Centre, 18 Kirk Loan

**Attendees:**  Steve Kerr, PC Sam Davidson, PS Sandra Watt, Ian Kirkpatrick, Warren Hope, Angela Benzies, Robert Stokes, Jon Melville, David Gillespie (Corstorphine Rugby Club), Steve Wright (Corstorphine Rugby Club), Keith Walker, Martin Bryden,

Jenny Jamieson, Cllr Gillian Gloyer, Dave Latimer, Nathan Readie, Deborah McCall, Mr and Mrs Meager, Henry Whaley,

Jane Kerr

**Apologies:**  Cllr Robert Aldridge, Cllr Claire Bridgman, Tommy McLean, Fiona Moug, Cllr Mark Brown

**Minutes:**  Proposed: Keith Walker Seconded: Nathan Readie

**Police Report – PC Sam Davison**

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|  | January 2019 | January 2020 |
| Housebreakings | 3 | 4 |
| Theft | 18 | 16 |
| Assault/other violent crime | 4 | 3 |
| Disorder | 4 | 4 |
| Road traffic | 9 | 13 |
| Vandalism | 13 | 5 |
| Miscellaneous including drugs | 15 | 5 |
| Racial offence | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 66 | 46 |
| Calls for service | 283 | 229 |

* PS Sandra Watt introduced herself to the meeting. She’s going to be a permanent part of the Community Policing Team.
* Coffee with a cop session to be held at Costa Coffee on Wednesday 19 February from 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm.
* Bike marking session to be held on Sunday 23 February at Forrester Park between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm.
* Speed gun patrols have been carried out on local streets.
* Bike thefts are continuing. Please be vigilant. See also leaflet and booklet sent out from mailbox.
* Problems with youths at the Gyle/Tesco/PC World. Follow ups have been done with families and things have quietened down.
* Extra patrols are being done around Carrick Knowe after youths have been vandalising cars.

**Presentation from Corstorphine RFC – Steve Wright**

Steve gave an update on the refurbishment project and gave the meeting a chance to look at draft plans. Please see link <https://www.dropbox.com/s/b7q2uw1htm7qzkv/CRFC-Facilities%20development%202020-CCC.pdf?dl=0> for a copy of the slides. The club have asked for an open letter from the CCC which can be passed on to prospective supporters and that we all do our bit iro spreading the word.

**Councillor’s Reports and Questions**

Cllr Gloyer

* Question regarding hard plastics no longer being recycled. There is no market for it. They can now be put into landfill which is taken to Millerhill, incinerated and used to generate electricity. More information regarding the facility can be found at https://millerhill.fccenvironment.co.uk/our-facility/. The reduction in opening hours at the recycling centres in Edinburgh is budget driven. **Post meeting note:** Millerhill contacted by CCC secretary to see if tour of the facilities can be arranged. Watch this space!

Cllr Brown (via email)

* Another Community-led clean up was successfully undertaken by residents in Forrester Park last Sunday. Unfortunately, just 24 hours later, fly-tipping was reported in the same area! This is very disappointing and frustrating for those who put in a tremendous shift to make a difference in their community, which I applaud.

Cllr Bridgman (via email)

* 12 Glasgow Road has received planning permission to subdivide into two flats. Hopefully this means the end of the saga here, and that they are not planning to turn them into Air BnBs!

Councillor’s Questions – all

* Do each of the new lamp posts have a 5G antenna on them? No.

**Sub committees and Working Groups**

Planning – Warren Hope

* Further to the distribution of Warren’s report he drew attention to a couple of points:
* No further word yet from Alex Cole-Hamilton on shopper’s car park at Tesco.
* Information regarding major mixed used development by Parabola at Lochside Way issued on 21 January (20/00260/PAN). Public exhibition will be held at Novotel on Thursday 27 February from 1.00 pm to 7.00 pm.
* 23 to 27 Gylemuir Road – public exhibition on Wednesday 26 February from 1.00 pm to 8.00 pm at the Corstorphine Hub. They will also be presenting at the March Corstorphine Community Council meeting.
* Proposed Forest Kindergarten at Corstorphine Hill. Public exhibitions to be held at Corstorphine Library on Monday 24 February 4.00 pm to 7.00 pm and Drum Brae Library on Tuesday 25 February 4.00 pm to 7.00 pm. Email from CEC with more details has been distributed to council members.

Business, Licensing and Amenities – Angela Benzies

* Angela reported that there hasn’t been much progress made with the Corstorphine Trade Association. She’s still waiting for the contact in the Stockbridge Trader’s Association to contact her. She will chase again. Does anyone have a friend who is in a trader’s association?

Environment – Steve Kerr

* Transport Environment Committee due to meeting on the 27th of February. Steve is keen that CCC should send a delegation. CEC will not be including St John’s Road or Queensferry Road in a LEZ. It will stop at Haymarket. Cllr Gloyer added that this is partly due to the complexities or monitoring and enforcement in the outskirts of the city.
* Meeting to be held at The Corstorphine Astoria Centre at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 31 March to discuss installing the filtered permeability scheme at Featherhall. Peter Mitchell will issue a letter from CEC to be distributed around Featherhall residents inviting them to the meeting. If FP is a success, it will automatically move from trial to implementation. If it’s not successful there will be a trial of a one way system.
* Mention made of the new houses to be built in Craigs Road. This is already a rat run. Craigs Road can be put forward as a candidate for one way/filtered permeability.
* Meeting to be held at The Corstorphine Astoria Centre at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 12 May to further discuss West Edinburgh Link.

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

**AOB**

* Warren has intimated that tonight’s meeting will be his last as planning officer. A ***MASSIVE*** thank you to him from the Council for all his work and dedication over the years. He will continue to attend meetings as a member of the public.
* Let’s Talk About Corstorphine will no longer be published. Rising costs, less advertising and diminishing circulation have led to its demise.
* Robert Stokes asked if there had been any contact from Mr Whitmy (lock up garages at Forrester Park). Steve confirmed that there had not but that he’d contact him to try and arrange a meeting with all interested parties.
* Community Hub are awaiting the decision from the Council regarding the shortfall (£700,000) for the community centre rebuild in Kirk Loan. It has been suggested that serious consideration should be given to a community buyout of Westfield House in Kirk Loan. The social work department are moving out. The building could have many uses – satellite for Business Gateway; provide permanent office space for the Community Police team; hot desking facilities.
* Speed limit on Maybury Road has been changed from 40 mph to 30 mph. More signs have been put up.

Meeting closed at 9.00 pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 17 March, 7.00 pm, The Corstorphine Astoria Centre, 18 Kirk Loan.

These minutes are also available online at http:// http://corstorphinecc.uk/minutes/