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MORNINGSIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL - DRAFT

Open Door, Wednesday 16th July 2025

Present

Members: Alastair Webb (Chair), Caroline McKinley (Secretary), Goff Cantley (Planning Officer), Carol Duncan (Engagement Officer), Theo Spanellis (Treasurer) Moira Gibson, John Robson, Callum McLeavy, Tamsin Kilgour, Iain Meiklejohn

Ex-officio: Cllr Neil Ross

Attendees: Polly Purvis (Local Place Plan), Jane Brown, Sheena Nimmo Paul Bailey (Friends of Braidburn Valley Park), Arne Strid, David Somervell

Welcome and Apologies

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Jennifer Scarce, Iain Meiklejohn, Theo Spanellis

Police Report

There was no police report, either written or in-person. The Secretary offered to contact Police Scotland to ask if we can, at least, have a written report for each meeting.

Planning

The application for the phone mast was discussed and individuals can object if they wish. The location of the new phone mast is proposed at the corner of Morningside road and Cluny gardens. This will be further discussed at the next meeting.

Financial Position

Alastair explained that the newly-elected MCC had had to take some time to sort out the paperwork, changeover signatories etc. Please see AGM minutes for full balance of the accounts.

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Any Other Competent Business

- Bins: Discussion on the consultation regarding the roll out of the new bin hubs and that this is now on the council website for those who are in the area and will be impacted to review and provide feedback
- Bikes: Council is to launch a new e-bike scheme in September it is not clear if the bikes will be in the Morningside area. Looks like it will be limited to the city centre as a pilot.
- Roads: discussion around the issue of lots of excess gravel on Hermitage gardens and hazardous conditions this can cause
- Midmar Paddock – have successfully submitted their local place plan
- MCC place plan is taking shape and community consultation activity will take in place in autumn time
- New planters have arrived that will be put close to the clock. They will be planted in the autumn
- September meeting will have attendance from the road team where they explain the road and pavement repair process.
- The number of local organisations that attend the monthly meeting is low and suggestions to remind them that are more than welcome to attend.
- David Somervell from Banzai talked about Banzai's proposal to get funding for an environmentally informed place plan that would include Morningside in scope

Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 17 September at 7:30pm in the Open Door.