

Morningside Community Council DRAFT Minutes of AGM followed by an Ordinary Meeting 7:30 pm Wednesday 19 June 2024. At The Open Door, 240 Morningside Road

AGM notes

People present: MCC office bearers-Chair: Willie Black (WB) Planning officer: Goff Cantley (GC) Secretary: Carol Duncan(CD) Engagement Officer: Moira Gibson(MG) Members- Jennifer Scarce(JS), Caroline McKinley(CMcK), Theo Spannellis(TS), John Robson(JR) Ex officio-Apologies- Kerr Fraser. Attendees- Arne Strid, Paul Bailey,Sheena Nimmo, Tamsin Kilgour and 1 other person.

Welcome.

The chair, Dr Willie Black, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Annual Report.

Carol Duncan gave a report on MCC activity since the last AGM. The report is included with these minutes.

Accounts.

WB presented the accounts to 31 March 2024.

In summary, costs for renting a meeting place were: £688.00, planting design for future assistance with planting of the Clock planters and other miscellaneous expenses was £880, Donations were £100, Postage, printing and stationery was £398,

And the Cockburn Assoc. fee was £40.00.

£643.57 is held in MCC bank account.

GC and CD agreed the accounts were a true record and that Lindsay Walls will audit.

The Minutes of the last meeting AGM were agreed by members. The following office bearers were nominated and elected. Chair- Willie Black, proposed CD, seconded JR. Planning- Goff Cantley, proposed WB, seconded TS. Secretary- Carol Duncan, proposed JR, seconded CMcK. Engagement- Moira Gibson, proposed CD, seconded WB. Treasurer- Willie Black, proposed CD, seconded CMck.

ORDINARY MCC MEETING.

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POLICE REPORT.

There was no Police report this month.

MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING.

The Minutes were agreed.

An action from the last meeting was to ask the Police what their method was for arresting cyclists driving recklessly. PC Wong advised that the Police stop cyclists by going up to them and telling them to stop. After that, a non-endorsable fixed penalty notice for not obeying the traffic signal is issued. The Police advised they will carry out patrols in the area and keep an eye out for cyclists going through red lights in the area.

The traffic figures were exchanged with the Braid Avenue group.

Cllr Arthur advised he will try to get an update for MCC on Option 3A once plans are firmed up. He also advised that a local councillor can advise of any missing figures on the T&EC report.

PLANNING.

GC provided a planning report to the meeting. The report gave an update on the local development plan and permitted development rights, the Cluny Centre development, and proposed advertising hoarding. The Planning report is circulated with the minutes.

TRAVELLING SAFELY.

2 people have again questioned the results of our June 2023 street survey and claimed that MCC asked biased questions. The secretary's response explained the full question and invited them to attend our meeting and discuss any further concerns.

MCC received an invite to apply for Roads NEP funding by the 16th June. Due to the short notice, the secretary submitted a proposal to level up the pavement between the Merlin and Cuddy Lane, opposite Waitrose. The temporary level difference in the pedestrian space is a hazard. MCC

members agreed to support the bid. Cllr Ross and Cllr Parker contacted MCC to acknowledge their support.

An attendee asked if the box junction at braid road/Cluny gardens could be repainted. Action:CD to contact Cllr Ross.

TREASURER. WB reported approximately £600 in MCC's bank account.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Anna Grant, CEC planning, is happy to discuss a local place plan when we are ready.

AOB.

'Organic Jim' has passed away.

MG raised concern that Braidburn Park play equipment has no fence around the space. There was concern about dog fouling in the play area. Paul Bailey, from the BVP Friends group will enquire about signs to keep dogs away.

An attendee raised concern about the misuse of the wall next to M&S delivery area. He has spoken to M&S but he may need to contact the Police.

GC reported that a sale appears to have been agreed for Midmar Paddock.

There is no meeting in July as many people are on holiday.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 21st August at 7.30pm at The Open Door.