

Morningside Community Council

Meeting held on the 18 September 2024 at The Open Door, 240 Morningside Road.

DRAFT note of the meeting.

People present:

MCC office bearers-

Chair: Willie Black (WB)

Planning officer: Goff Cantley (GC)

Secretary: Carol Duncan(CD)

Engagement Officer: Moira Gibson(MG)

Members- Caroline McKinley(CMcK)

Nominated member: Kerr Fraser.

Ex officio- Cllr Marie-Clair Munro.

Attendees- Arne Strid, Joanne Dovesi, Amanda Dovesi, Paul Bailey.

Apologies- Jennifer Scarce, John Robson, Alastair Webb, Tamsin Kilgour, Ken Harvey and Sarah Hunt.

POLICE REPORT.

MCC received extensive information on spams related to Solar Panel Insulation from Trading Standards via the Police Sergeant.

ACTION: Secy. to invite Home Energy Scotland to an MCC meeting later in the year.

PLANNING.

Planning Application, Ref. No: 24/04432/FUL, has been submitted on behalf of Cluny Lodge Nursing Home, for the demolition of a sunroom which is to be replaced with a single storey extension.

CMcK circulated draft local place plan questions to start to find out people's views on what the community want to protect and what future issues maybe. MG has booked space at Greenbank church for future meetings to discuss Local place plans. CD advised that a Planning officer is invited to give a short presentation on Local Place Plans.

MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING.

Additions and corrections to the minutes were agreed.

TRAVELLING SAFELY.

THE QUIET ROUTE. An Attendee requested sight of the Safety Audit that was based on a draft proposal for a revised design. After discussion it was agreed to wait for the design before

commenting. ACTION: Secy to write to the senior engineer to request a copy of the design after the amendments are made.

FALCON ROAD WEST. An attendee re-iterated his concern about the condition of the road after the construction of the new flat build. Cllr Ross advised that the road repair was not part of the Planning conditions. This discussion led to other roads being identified as in poor condition, in particular- Steel's Place and Comiston place.

ACTION: MCC asked Cllr Munro to provide a list of roads in the Morningside area that are to be 1. fully repaired(like Craiglea Drive) and 2. chip and sprayed both in this financial year and in the next financial year. Also C.Mck asked Cllr Munro when the road markings on Morningside Drive are to be reinstated.

TREASURER. WB reported approximately £400 in MCC's bank account. WB reported the council is requesting 22/23 accounts in order to receive a grant. WB to provide the relevant accounts to the Council.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Secy. advised the grant for the noticeboard has been received and WB has passed this to the school office. The grant for the planters is suspended but still available.

Morningside Library is providing a drop in called "near you" for hearing aid maintenance and hearing checks.

A series of Morningside Peace and Justice talks are starting on the 9th of October at the Eric Liddle Centre every Wednesday 10.30 to 11.30am.

The CEC consultation on short term lets is open until the 14 October.

Elections to the community council are delayed until February 2025.

AOB.

An attendee asked about the lack of Dog Toilets. It is understood that currently the dog poo should be disposed of at home or in a litterbin. The attendee is interested in converting a redundant Bowling Green at Oxfords to a private dog toilet. It was explained that this place is outwith this community council's area but to keep us informed.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 16th October 7.30pm at The Open Door.