

# AGENDA

**7:30pm, Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**At The Old Schoolhouse, 140 Morningside Road. (opposite Waitrose)**

Present:

Chair: Willie Black (WB)

Community Engagement: Dougie Roxburgh MBE

Members: Caroline McKinley, John Robson, Jenifer Scarce

Attendees: Geoff Murray, Arne Strid, Tamsin Kilgour, Nicola Stock, Ken Harvey, Ben Parker, Marie-Clair Munro, Andrew Fleming (AF) (Community Policing),

## **1. Welcome**

## **2. Apologies**

Carol Duncan, Goff Cantley, Rebecca Diggle, Jill Powlett-Brown, Moira Gibson

## **3. Police Report**

AF representing community policing:

- **Speeding** - Highlighting the issue of speeding and how community policing are seeking to tackle it through 'Operation Slow Time' in March – high visibility presence in the community.
- **Anti-Social Behaviour** – similarly, being tackled by visibility patrols.
- **AF takes time for questions**
- Questions arose regarding graffiti in Morningside, and how to engage those participating in graffiti. AF responds by sharing the email address of community policing, encouraging

locals to get in touch with incidents they are aware of -

edinburghcptsoutheast@scotland.police.uk

- A concern was raised about theft spike in Morningside and concern for shoppers and staff.
- AF – Wasn't aware it was as prevalent. To engage with local shops to discuss. High visibility patrols, engaging with shops to ensure they're as ready to deal with this as possible.

#### 4. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

- Happy that the minutes of last meeting are a true record of what took place.
- Geoff Murray gave update on some of the carbon measuring apps he looked at
- **Travelling Safely** – Ken Harvey – Continued frustration that there is, from Ken's point of view, a lack of action from the council in getting Braid Road re-opened. Reiterates frustration at the delay being caused by the addition of a toucan crossing.
- Marie-Clair Munro - Definitely being discussed among local residents. A number of residents similarly frustrated by how it is going.
- Ben Parker – the point of the toucan crossing, was to increase road safety
- John Robson – reminds MCC of two fatalities on Morningside Road in the last few years, road safety isn't a bad thing.
- **Edinburgh Associations of Community Councils** - WB – highlights attending the Edinburgh Associations of Community Councils to highlight there that we should have the right to object to planning issues, rather than point of view's being overlooked.
- **Air-quality sensors** - WB - Air quality sensors were to be investigated by Cllr Neil Ross and Moira Gibson, neither of which were present
- Nicola Stock – sensors being fitted through a project. To ask project leader what sensors are being put in
- **South Suburban Railway Line** - WB – draws attention to this
- DR – Dougie thinks this would be a good option, encouraging tourism, business, the community etc.
- Yet, it was highlighted some of the logistical difficulties of a south suburban railway line being put in place

## 5. Update on the survey planning – how people travel to Morningside

### Road.

WB - Group met to discuss proposed survey

Caroline McKinley – on the 7<sup>th</sup> the group met to discuss the travel survey. The hope is that this survey will give us data to reference to make for 20 minute neighbourhood. Happy to take suggestions of possible questions – questionnaire to be carried out after May local elections.

Started collecting information, maps, previous surveys

Douglas Roxburgh – It's important to have questions for everyone i.e. questions of accessibility for those with disabilities

## 6. Planning

- **Proposed 20m 5g Vodafone mast by the clock** – WB –. Aware of it, and really concerned about it. Campaign has reached the Edinburgh Evening News
- Arne – it is almost identical to where the Christmas tree was. It could be put on the corner of Cluny Ave. where there would be less disruption.
- **National planning framework consultation** – individual contributions important.

## 7. Financial Position

- WB - £2,437

## 8. Correspondence

- WB draws attention to Carol's report which she sent.
- **Website** - Caroline McKinley – Had a meeting with Scottish Tech Army who have a template for our website. Developed a survey tool on the website. Meets all the accessibility requirements
- **Community Grant Fund** - WB - Carol had a request from the community grant fund who need a panel member, if anyone is interested.

- **Census** – WB - Raise awareness about the census next month. 20<sup>th</sup> March. Links on Facebook
- **Edinburgh Voice of Carers in the Lothian region** – WB - grants payable to those who are carers – up to £500 – has been uploaded to the Facebook page and community noticeboards

## 9. AOCB

- **Where and how of meeting** - WB – to discuss with Carol whether exclusively in-person or Zoom hybrid
- MCC happy to continue in the Old Schoolhouse, so will write to say thanks to the Open Door for their many years of hosting us

## 10. Date of the next meeting.

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2022, 7:30pm

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