

Eaglesham & Waterfoot Community Council Meeting 9th June 2020 via Zoom

1. Welcome & apologies.

Present: David Williamson, Niall Rachmann Duncan McIntyre, David McAskill, Ailsa Burns, Cllr Caroline Bamforth, Cllr Jim McLean
Apologies Steve McMenamin, Christine Balloch, Neil Johnston

2. Previous minutes. – not had a meeting

3. Police report/update

April - May

About 1-45am 3 male suspects attempted to steal a quad bike from farm premises on Eaglesham Moor Road. They were disturbed and made off. Enquiries continue.

About 4-30pm on the 12th May, a 26 year old man was stopped by officers whilst driving on Glasgow Road, Eaglesham. He was found to have no insurance and an expired MOT. His vehicle was seized. The owner of the vehicle has further been charged with permitting the vehicle to be driven without insurance or MOT.

On the 19th April, a drugs search warrant was executed in Bonnyton Drive, Eaglesham, at which time items believed to be controlled drugs were seized from a car.

On the 12th May, a drugs search warrant was executed at an address in Eaglesham village and a significant quantity of heroin was recovered (I cannot provide any further information regarding this matter, which remains under investigation, at this time)

Officers carrying out routine patrols in your community council area have charged four different individuals with drugs possession, following "stop-searches" during the past month.

May- June

No crimes of violence in public locations have been recorded

No homes have been broken into and no vehicle crime has been recorded.

On the afternoon of the 5th June, a mountain bike, which had been left insecure and unattended in the grounds of Eaglesham Primary School is reported to have been stolen. Enquiries are being made into this.

We are aware of ongoing issues with groups of persons attending *en masse* at some more rural locations, which includes some places within your area. We continue to follow the "4E's" strategy to Engage-Explain-Encourage-Enforce the "lockdown" guidance and regulations.

Continue to carry out speed checks on the Glasgow Road between Clarkston and Eaglesham; I'm sure you and the members of the community council will have seen some of our social media posts regarding this and may indeed have seen officers at the time.

Lastly I can report that following a road crash at the Bellecraig Roundabout about 7-30pm last night (7/6/20), during which a van overturned, a 23 year old man has been charged with dangerous driving and "drink driving" . He is expected to appear at court on a future date in relation to these charges. No persons were injured fortunately.

4. Councillors updates/points

Caroline Bamforth

- Council still running. Eastwood assessment centre now closed, due to only get one patient a day. Health board will now provide transport to nearest testing place.
 - Bins will go back to normal in a couple of weeks.
 - Greenhags Recycling depot will be taken over by Viridor- weigh bridge needed to be fixed. Tomorrow online slots for Greenhags will go live.
 - Education committee will be meeting this week on Thursday. Schools will go back in August.
 - P1s and S1s are getting their inductions starting next week.
- People & Places Survey (Spaces for People ?) fill in online forms, to give the council more ideas for project. Very little input from Eaglesham and Waterfoot. (Cycle lane may act as traffic calming measure.) Traffic calming measures on Ayr Rd in Newton Mearns noted to be effective.
- We should aim to maintain momentum of more people walking and cycling post Covid
 - Windfarm parking will remain closed because it is further than 5 mile limit for most of East Renfrewshire. Discussion on the interpretation of the legislation and dangers to cyclists caused by people parking in the cycle lane. Decision is up to Scottish Power rather than council or police. Suggested a letter to Whitelee and Police to get it opened. (Jim to discuss with Police as well)

Jim Mclean

- Planning committee will start back tomorrow
- Grass cutting has started again – many council workers had been shielding
- Picketlaw, increased surveillance, increased presence from police
- Speed of cyclists coming down Polnoon St
- Road surface poor on cycle lane coming down towards village from High Dam – this may be covered by a special Rural Roads budget – check with Jane Corrie.
- Safe Routes to School and other funding available

1. War Memorial refurbishment update (David & Duncan)
Church still investigating funding, David McAllister to chase Jim Alexander.

2. CC Members updates/points.

Ailsa – play park, needs more tape to stop kids using it. Jim advised this has already been requested – should happen any day now.

David – accounts sorted, finally!

Niall – Rangers cancelling events in Inky Pinky park – no idea when they will resume.

Duncan – Picket Law – can it be used as a village resource?

Caroline – War memorial, council keen to help or AOE fund?

Jim – Incident, dog lost in pipe at Mid-road, may need dug out to stop flooding.

3. AOCB.

The meeting was closed at 7.50pm. The chairman thanked everyone for their attendance.

Next meeting will be 14th July and is expected to be via Zoom again.