

**Clarkston Community Council Minutes**  
**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022**  
**7pm – Community Walkabout**  
**7:45-9pm in person or via Zoom**

Item	Notes
<p><b>1. Community Walkabout</b></p> <p><b>7-7:45pm</b></p>	<p>In attendance:</p> <p><b>PC Members:</b>            Brian Dillon - (Vice Chair) - BD            Linda Dillon – (Secretary) – LD            Gillian Cox – GC            Chris Kelly – CK            Graeme Wood - GW</p> <p>The group spent the first 45 minutes of the meeting walking around the high street primarily to review the parklets proposals and the placement of the suggested noticeboard. Some issues and improvements were discussed that could be made to the high street, particularly in relation to litter and bin placement, introduction of a cycle lane and the removal of the central reservation. The group took photographs of potential issues and improvements in order to take them to the council for discussion and resolution. Potential actions will also be discussed later on in the meeting in the context of Local Development Plan/Local Action Plan</p>
<p><b>2. Regular meeting:</b></p> <p><b>Minutes and actions</b></p>	<p>In attendance:</p> <p><b>PC Members:</b>            Brian Dillon - (Vice Chair) - BD            Linda Dillon – (Secretary) – LD            Gillian Cox – GC            Chris Kelly – CK            Graeme Wood – GW            Rebecca Nicholson – RN</p> <p>Vincent McCulloch – VM ERC Officer</p> <p>Visitors: Member of the public</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Linda Allan, Cllr Annette Ireland, Cllr Kate Campbell, Cllr Katie Pragnall, Kirsten Oswald MP, Lise Fisher, Joe Pakenham</p> <p>BD was Chair for this meeting as RN had not expected to be able to attend. CCC was aware there was a full Council meeting this evening and therefore no local councillors were able to attend our meeting.</p>
<p><b>3. Police Report</b></p>	<p>August report showed another low crime month, with the usual notifications to look out for phone fraud and door to door scams. It also noted that there have been a few occurrences of youth disorder – in this context, the group discussed recent spates of graffiti that have sprung up across the area.</p> <p><b>Action: LD to send the Police Report to Vincent McCulloch and post up on Facebook</b></p> <p><b>NOTE: Check what the Police said about the elderly and vulnerable group</b></p>
<p><b>4. Chair’s update</b></p>	<p><b>Parklets</b> - RN updated on Parklets site meeting with ERC and Cllr. Annette Ireland to discuss the revised proposals for the Parklets, confirming that multiple factors have been taken into account and this could be an opportunity for some town centre improvements. ERC advised</p>

	<p>that they will send out updated information on the proposals asap and information will be posted on the ERC site for discussion and feedback from the community.</p> <p><b>Litter and bins</b> - Discussion focussed on bin placement and litter issues within the town centre area. The large industrial bins that are situated outside The Anchor/The Overlee are a particular issue as they are placed in the middle of the pavement, are unsightly and often overflowing. The group discussed where the bins could be moved to – one of the attendees suggested that the group look at Skirving Street in Shawlands as an example of well thought out bin placement.</p> <p>VM advised that he had sent an email re meetings that are happening in October across the local authority to discuss the council’s Local Action Plan, which would be the ideal forum to raise and progress these ideas. RN suggested that the CCC meeting in October would be a good place to gather together a shortlist of ideas for CCC representatives to take forward to the public meetings and the online consultation. CCC will also promote these events to the community to encourage people to go and share their views. There was a discussion about the need to try and gain a comprehensive understanding of the various funding pots, plans and strategy groups within the area to gain an overarching view of what could be achieved for Clarkston, and minimise duplication of effort.</p> <p><b>Membership discussion</b> - RN continued discussions about current membership levels and the need to attract new members to the group in order to take more projects and ideas forward. RN made clear her intention to step down as Chair in 2023, therefore there are concerns about the future of the Community Council if the group cannot attract new members. VM advised that other groups have used leaflet drops to good effect and the cost of producing leaflets is covered within the remit of our funding provision. VM advised that he can push for new members on ERC social media and reminded the group that the four-year tenure for Community Councils is coming to an end next year. The group needs to dissolve as part of official process at this point, so it would be ideal to revisit the membership status and make-up of the CCC well in advance of that.</p> <p><b>Action: RN to ask NEST about response levels to their leaflet drop</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b></p> <p>LD/RN to send the article written for the BID magazine to Fiona at the Community Magazine for next month’s publication.</p> <p>RN to look into leaflet bundles.</p> <p><b>Social media usage</b> – LD to ensure this item is carried forward on to next month’s agenda.</p>
<p><b>5. BID Update</b></p>	<p>AD not present</p>
<p><b>6. Subgroups</b></p>	<p><b>Carolside Park</b> – GC she is hopeful for a confirmed date for the playpark installation to be provided by the supplier this month.</p> <p>The National Lottery funding for the additional seating area is still an issue as we will be short about £1,200 because of the requirement for concrete underneath the structure. The group discussed using the additional CCC funds to cover the funding shortfall and whilst most of the group present agreed that this was a reasonable idea, it was decided that the best way forward would be for all members to vote. GC will send out pictures and information on the proposed seating equipment to the group, so that everyone is sure of what it is that they are voting to fund, and then follow up with a Google Form for the actual vote.</p>

	<p><b>Roads</b> – RN updated that the mini roundabout at Seres Road will have the markings redone. GW advised that he will contact the Roads Dept in advance of the next meeting to check if any roadworks are being scheduled.</p> <p><b>ER Climate Action Partnership</b> – BD advised that he has had contact from the ER Climate Action Partnership that is coming together to advance the Get to Zero action plan that the council has put together. The Climate Action coordinator is putting together an action plan to involve all community council groups to help achieve the aims of the Get to Zero action plan. The first meeting is 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> Sept – BD is awaiting further details and will update the group when he has more information.</p>
<b>7. Planning update</b>	No planning updates for discussion. A resident emailed in to discuss the Greenbank Church/Care Home project. CCC had previously objected to this planning request on 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2021. The resident has advised that Roads Service Dept had rejected to this previously but have now withdrawn their objection. RN asked if we can get an update on where the planning application is at the moment. GC will respond to the resident and advise that there is no change on our objection at this time.
<b>8. Licensing update</b>	Nothing to report
<b>9. Treasurer's update</b>	Current balance is £12479.47 – this includes the National Lottery funding and donations for Carolside Park. We've also received the ERC grant of 414.65 and we've spent approx. £80
<b>11. AOB</b>	<p><b>Safe Cycling petition for Williamwood</b> – LD advised that an email has arrived in the inbox relating to a petition for a cycle lane from Netherlee through Clarkston main street and on to Williamwood. The group had also discussed this on the walkabout earlier and all agreed that this would be a positive move for the town and would be happy to support the petition and promote this on our pages.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> LD to send the petition round the group and invite the Cycle Lane petition group to the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Email addresses</b> – LD advised that she had sent round the information on how to log in to the new email addresses and had also sent to VM for adding to the council website as contact addresses.</p> <p><b>Christmas Event</b> – LD to add to the next agenda.</p> <p><b>Gas Explosion Memorial</b> – Kirsten Oswald has notified us that the meeting with Centrica= is now booked for the end of the month that RN and GC will attend.</p> <p><b>Car charging ports</b> – To make sure that the need for these are added to/suggested within the Local Action Plans and the Climate Action Plan.</p>