**Kirkliston Community Council**

**Minutes**

**30 - 08 - 22**

1. **Present –** D. Buchanan, P. Vaughan, S. Lee, G. Crow, Cllrs. K. Lang and N. Work, B. Walker, G. Walker, A. Hancock, J. Richardson, H. Turnbull and 1 member of the public
2. **Apologies** –Cllr L. Young, N. Davidson, L. Mitchell, S-A Hunter
3. **D. Buchanan** welcomed all and sent best wishes to N. Davidson on behalf of K.C.C.
4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting –** Approved; Proposed – P. Vaughan; Seconded – S. Lee
5. **Matters Arising –**
* Finish of road at Stewart Place – S. Lee to approach CEC in a private capacity
1. **Police Report** – **None**
* £20000 of damage on the Dandara housing estate due to vandalism
1. **School Estate Update –**
* Clarity is required on the possible extension to Queensferry High School; a feasibility study is to take place; a comment was made that even if it were feasible, is it desirable
* CEC is to establish if there are viable options for a school site in Kirkliston
* R. Crockhart of CEC to keep KCC informed and will be invited to a future meeting
1. **K.P.S.A. – No Representative in place yet and, therefore, no report**
* **D. Buchanan** to contact HT about this
* The school is becoming involved with projects connected to the Forth Bridge
1. **Friends of Pikes Pool – No Report**
2. **G.T.R.A. –**
* Still no word on drainage at the Hub – this subject to be raised tomorrow evening at the Almond Neighbourhood Partnership as a matter of urgency
* P. Vaughan attending a six-week course on Etiquette on behalf of the Edinburgh Tenants’ Assoc.
* P. Vaughan to attend a meeting at the City Chambers regarding a 2% increase on rents which could come into place in February; CEC is likely to argue that this increase follows a freeze for the past two years and will go towards repairs
* P. Vaughan to assist with a query re more park benches
1. **Scouts –**
* Grateful to Almond Neighbourhood Partnership for grant received and will be put towards a fire shelter
* All sections are up and running
* Camp coming up in the near future
* Cubs who work in the Community Garden were awarded first prizes in the recent Village Show
* Executive Chair is standing down after eight years; this is a position which must be filled or the groups cannot continue; to help advertise the position, a promotional video has been made
1. **K.C.C.V. –**
* Held a Litter Pick at the end of July; a more recent one has been postponed due to the Bin Strike
* Basic jobs are being carried out at the moment e.g. watering
* Residents are happy to help with the tiered planter
* Manse Road Gardens – phase one of tidy up has been done
* Rotary of South Queensferry has offered 1000 crocus bulbs
* Railing planters – no further forward; **Cllr. L. Young** is trying to help with this and **D. Buchanan** will also assist
* Money received from the Almond Neighbourhood Partnership will be used to lay paving slabs in the Community Garden
* Vegetables in the Garden doing well and are being used to assist Dorcas Lunches in the Church Centre; Potter and Pick days have been successful
* Entries were put into the Village Show
* Much more assistance is needed
* **J. Richardson** to inform D. Buchanan when she feels the time is right for a possible linkage with the secondary school; when schools do become involved CEC Compost Site will give compost free of charge
1. **Secretary’s/Treasurer’s Reports – None**
2. **Edinburgh Airport Update – No Report**
* As D. Hull has resigned from KCC, **D. Buchanan** will speak with P. Hull
1. **Transport –**
* First Bus issues continue; Winchburgh C.C. has raised a Petition
* D. Buchanan mentioned he has seen Learner Drivers coming through the village, so this might make a difference to the service in time
* 63 has been extended for a couple of months
1. **Councillors’ Reports –**
* **Cllr. N. Work** – a new timetable for the 63 is to be issued in September
* Meeting has been organised to discuss the noise coming from Ingliston when concerts are being held; **Cllr. N. Work** to find out if KCC can be included
* Successful Village Show and good to see the participation; more people are required to assist
* **Cllr. K. Lang –** Bin Strikes – another strike will take place starting on Wednesday 7th September for six days; these strikes are causing Public Health concerns
* Schools in Edinburgh are not participating in strikes
1. **Planning – which see**
* D. Buchanan meeting with Queensferry C.C. re the Royal Elizabeth Yard proposals
1. **Dandara Development –**
* Right of Way at the foot of the Development has been blocked; nothing was done following D. Buchanan meeting with the Executives and he has warned them that this will be taken further if necessary
1. **Santa’s Sleigh –**
* An application has gone into CEC for a grant to help update and refurbish the sleigh - £4251.50; advanced technology will be put into use
* The Funding Panel should issue a decision by the end of September/beginning October; any shortfall would have to be made up by K.C.C.
1. **A.O.C.B. –**
* Solar Panels at Gateside – some residents do not understand them and what they should be doing; P. Vaughan has offered to look into this; it would appear that six homes have not been connected
* P. Vaughan raised a query about an Air B’n’B – Cllr.K. Lang said it would take too long to explain and will speak with P. Vaughan separately
1. **Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 27th September; 7.00pm; venue to be announced; D. Buchanan** to inform S.Lee if it is not being held at the Newliston Arms as the room is already booked.