



CAMBUSLANG
Community Council

NOTE IN LIEU OF MINUTES
re. cancelled CCC Meeting of
Tuesday 18th February 2020

The content of the following Note follows that of the Agenda for the Meeting which was sent out before it was cancelled. The Secretary is grateful for the various sections contributed by CCC members

4. Matters arising

- a) Community Participation and Engagement (CPE) update on meeting with the SLC team in Cambuslang Institute on 19th February 2020 presented by M Farmer.
- M Farmer, D Sutton and D Porter attended the 2-hr presentation by Jacqueline Queen which used PowerPoint to explain the proposed strategy and what it seeks to achieve.
 - The participants were consulted on CPE's vision, "*Our communities are at the heart of partnership working in SL*" and the themes that arose from stage 1 of the consultation process. They also consulted us on how they aim to achieve the commitments they set out.
 - They discussed the National Standards for Community Engagement and asked us to compare their strategy aims/objectives with the National Standards to ensure they have incorporated them all
 - They consulted us on actions we would want CPE to take in the first 12 months of the implementation of the strategy to show as evidence that they are achieving what they set out to accomplish and anything else we felt that they hadn't covered that we would like them to think about. The headline themes are 'Involved and Engaged', 'Clear and Simple', 'Fair and Flexible', 'Open and Accountable' and 'Safe and Supportive'.

CPE's presentation is available from M Farmer on request.

At the end of the discussion:

- M Farmer passed on concerns raised regarding Cambuslang Future's partnership with SLC Economic & Development Dept over meeting times & the lack of response from them to the recent parking survey (Temporary Extension Order on the Main Street). J Queen agreed to pass this information onto Rhoda Leith. MF followed this up by telephone and spoke to R Leith regarding the above whom agreed to contact Iain Ross from SLC, Economic & Development Dept.
- MF requested VOiCE training which is a free engagement tool that CCC can use for consultations. J Q agreed to find out if this was viable. JQ responded by email stating that she contacted Scottish Community Development Centre and they offer training courses at a cost. She stated that they will look at organising an event later in the year and will open it out to other local Community Councils

and Community Groups. CCC can access the VOICE toolkit meantime if we sign up for it

- To help develop the new strategy, please use the following link before 5 April 2020: [Community Engagement and Participation Strategy Survey](#)

Action: The office bearers will complete this strategy survey collectively since we are not able to discuss this at a CCC Meeting under the current constraints.

- MF has also drafted a letter to Maureen Chalmers, Head of CPP to express the intensified concerns that CCs are not partners in the Community Planning Partnership and we feel that it is imperative that we are. At present we are supporting CPP through surveys/consultations amongst other things, yet we are not part of the core group. We need to be part of the core group. We cannot continue with one foot in and one foot out.

Action: D Porter will edit the first draft by 20 March 2020

b) PAN consultation for the proposed hotel development on Clydebridge site update on visit on 2nd March 2020 to the public exhibition in Cambuslang Institute by D Porter.

- This was attended by CCC members: M Farmer, C Williamson and D Porter.
- Four members of the project development team were on hand to answer questions. Details of the site development, landscaping and parking along with illustrative construction plans and layouts of facilities were shown on large exhibition boards. Other supporting literature was also available. All these materials were of high quality.
- In these plans, the hotel part of the complex - rated as 4-star - will have 100 rooms, along with several restaurants and bars. Additionally, there will be conference facilities which can also be used for large social gatherings. A separate 'fitness centre' was also shown on the drawings but no details were provided on this.
- Concerning potential local employment prospects, the development team has not finalised the staffing requirements as yet, but suggested that for the housekeeping functions alone this could be in excess of 50 persons.
- The CCC members individually took the opportunity to respond to the invitation to comment on the proposal. These were mostly very positive. One adverse comment was the lack of easy pedestrian access to the site. In the current plan, this would be the same as vehicular access, namely via Bogleshole Road. Consideration should be given to cross-river pedestrian/cycle access from the ClydeWalkway/ClydeCyclepath.

c) Community Access to Cash Pilots presented by Mark Lauterburg

The following link gives the background to these proposed pilot schemes:

<https://communityaccesstocashpilots.org/>

- The pilots are being promoted by a number of influential organisations; notably, Which? Magazine with support from LINK (the ATM provider) and the Federation of Scottish Businesses (FSB).
- A 'Pilots Board' will decide which communities are included, and this will have a representative from the FSB. The Cambuslang business community has about 35 or so members of the FSB. CCC Chair has made a contact with our local FSB Development Manager and M Lauterburg is now in email contact with him.
- The Board also includes John Howells CEO of LINK whom ML met recently in Cambuslang in relation to two ATM issues involving local retailers. ML has also

put us in touch with Gen Lloyd, Campaigns Manager at Which? J Bachtler and Gen Lloyd have had initial consultations and then G Lloyd had a meeting with Margaret Ferrier MP last week. The outcome is that Which? is very keen to work with us as a Community Council. G Lloyd and M Ferrier are planning to discuss this further. M Ferrier MP also introduced legislation on this subject in the UK Parliament: see entry for 18th March

<https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm5801/cmagenda/fb200309.htm>

She has advised us that she will be closely scrutinising the announcements made regarding access to cash and banking facilities.

- J Bachtler also told G Lloyd about our discussions with FSB, and the local representative of Which? will now make contact with FSB. CCC has also written to around 20 'interested' parties including our 5 elected members plus faith groups, community groups, CAB, Credit Union etc. In response, CCC has received a number of helpful support letters.
- Further information is available through the following link:
<https://www.which.co.uk/news/2020/03/budget-2020-chancellor-poised-to-protect-access-to-cash/>

Action: ML & JB finalise CCC application by early April. Submissions must be in by 1st May 2020.

d) Strategy for the Main Street update following recent CF meeting by C Williamson.

The Cambuslang Future Group held a meeting with SLC on 12th March 2020 to discuss the ongoing regeneration strategy. A number of issues were discussed:

1) Cambuslang Streetscape

The tender for physical works has been issued using the SLC framework. The process lasts approximately 3 weeks. SLC will confirm when this is complete. There are a few outstanding issues regarding removal of railings and repositioning of some street furniture which SLC are tasked to deal with and will report back in due course.

2) Funding

Pauline Crisp from SLC's Funding Team attended the meeting and provided a list of existing funding opportunities. She also agreed to work with Cambuslang Future on a future bid to the Regeneration Capital Fund when it is launched and also to provide the group with funding updates for future strategy meetings

3) Waste Management

SLC held a meeting with Zero Waste Scotland to discuss commercial waste and look at ways to reduce waste and to create "best practice" guidelines. They do not believe that the enforcement model favoured by Glasgow City Council is workable at present in Cambuslang and requires resources which they don't currently have. SLC will circulate a paper they have compiled on this issue and have agreed to consider including a member of CF to participate in the working group going forward.

4) Banking Provision

CF provided an update on the Community Access to Cash Pilots which CCC is applying to. We confirmed that we have written to all elected members, faith groups and community groups seeking letters of support.

5) **Parking Strategy**

CF expressed an interest in participating in a working party strategy group looking at the overall parking strategy for the town. SLC agreed to speak to Colin Park to advise him to expect a written request from us on this matter.

6) **Park and Ride**

SLC confirmed that design work is ongoing and the tender for works will be issued in April. Construction is scheduled to start in June with completion due by end of November. At our request, SLC will provide further information on any potential changes, landscaping and integration with other parking provision.

7) **Cultural Activities**

CF raised the lack of cultural activities in the town despite this being raised with SLLC. We agreed to send an email to SLC outlining this which they will take forward on our behalf.

8) **Community Engagement**

CF raised the issue of restricted meeting times which contradicts their own Community Engagement guidelines. SLC responded they do not have capacity to meet outwith normal working hours. CF confirmed we will take this up directly with Michael McGlynn.

Actions : CW/MF to write to SLC Depts. in respect of items points 5), 7) & 8).

e) CCC Micro Grant Scheme update by M Farmer.

- M Farmer collected a returned award cheque for £100 from Charlotte Hamilton from Universal Connections which was issued for a Dance and Exercise Project
- 2 members of the Micro Grant Subgroup met and agreed that the returned fund (£100) would be reallocated according to the MG application scorings across all the projects and more specifically the applications that were ranked 4/5. It was agreed the returned fund would be split over 2 projects
- A further award of £50 was issued to the Clyde Cycle Park Project and £50 was issued to FOHWCP. Both projects were ranked high in terms of need and their initial award was reduced considerably due to the volume of applications. Both cheques have been issued to the projects and further award letters
- M Farmer confirmed with Lesley Park (SLC, Rural Regeneration) that the relative MG paperwork is required to be returned to SLC by 31 March 2020

Action Point M Farmer and B Fisher to return documents to SLC before 31 March 2020

f) New Park & Ride Development update by D Porter

- The Planning Application (P/20/0252) for this development has now been submitted by SLC and details are given on the Planning Department's website. This reveals that it is proposed to provide 286 parking places with around 25 of these reserved for 'blue-badge' drivers. The latter spaces are at the top end of the car park making it easier for those clients to access the Main Street.
- On the lay-out drawing posted, there only appears to be one electric vehicle (EV) charging station provided at the top-end of the car park. A photograph indicates that this station may serve up to 4 vehicles at a time. Clearly one EV station for a 286 space car park is not sufficient to cope with the expected growth in demand

for EVs in the coming decades. However, a statement in the planning document suggests that the EV stations part of the development is still 'work-in-progress'.

Action: CCC will register its concern on this matter.

5. Police Report

None available

6. Chair's Report

- J Bachtler had a meeting with the Cambuslang Baptist Church on 1 March 2020 to discuss their interest in the next phase of the Main Street renovation.
- J Bachtler has continued to work with Dr Barlow and neighbours re parking congestion at the eastern end of Cadzow Drive. He met with a group of residents on 3 March 2020 who have been engaging with SLLC (Steven Farquhar) and Cllrs John Bradley and Margaret Walker.
- On 10 March 2020, J Bachtler met with a local resident to discuss her interest in opening a business on the Main Street.

7. Secretary's Report

1) Planning Applications for period 16 Feb 2020 to 13 Mar 2020 (from weekly notifications): For domestic premises: 7 applications for changes/extensions to houses; and 3 for commercial developments.

a) P/20/0063 – Dog Day-Care Centre on Mansion Street. Mon-part Sat – up to 25 dogs: waste and noise affecting adjacent houses are potential issues.

b) P/20/0252 – Bridge Street Park & Ride SLC Development. Aspects of plan still to be finalised e.g. nos. and positions of EV Charging Stations. **See 4. f) above**

c) P/20/0219 – Fast food takeaway at 280 Main Street (at entrance to C/lang Station). Change of use from retail to food.

Action: None

2) Marches/Parades: None notified :

Action: None

3) Consultations/Surveys:

a) *CPP Community Participation and Engagement Strategy*. Invitation to participate further in this development by completing a survey - see 4. a) and link below: [Community Engagement and Participation Strategy Survey](#) (by 5th April 2020)

b) ***Scottish Government consultation updates***

i) Wild Wrasse Harvesting: Consultation on Proposed new Mandatory Measures closing on 10 April 2020

ii) Marine Scotland offshore renewables decommissioning guidance closing on 16 March 2020

Action: None

- c) *M8 M73 M74 Motorway Improvements Evaluation: 'Stakeholder' feedback:* The intention had been to draft a 'corporate' response from CCC following discussions at the Meeting. The cancellation prevented this from happening.
- d) *Public Reference Forum: Telephone Directory Costs.* Closing 20th March 2020 via <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/PhoneBook/>

Action: This was circulated to individual CCC members and others from them to complete.

8. Treasurer's Report

Current and pending transactions for all four CCC Bank Accounts since the 18th February 2020 meeting are as follows.

Account	Feb. 2020 Balance	Statement date	Mar. 2020 Balance	Statement date
CCC Main Account	£2,679.83	31.01.20	£2,648.15	28.02.20
Cambuslang in Bloom	£2,330.82	01.11.19	£2,330.82	01.11.19
F of Holmhill WCP	£359.79	31.01.20	£359.79	31.01.20
Micro Grant	£1,950.00	20.01.20	£1,250.00	20.02.20
Total	£7,320.44		£6,588.76	

Last month's transactions:-

- **Main Account** - Cheque no. 519 for £31.68 cashed by J Bachtler re stands for CF newsletters & coffees for Peter Brownlie Football Pitches meeting
- **M. G. Account**- Another 3 of the 19 cheques issued have been cashed totalling £700

Pending transactions:-

- **Main Account** - Cheque no. 525 to D Porter for £45.98 re ink cartridges
- **M. G. Account** - 3 cheques still to be cashed for a total of £1,250
Cheque for £100 refunded by Universal Connections, Dance & Exercise
Cheque no. 45 to Clyde Cycle Park SCIO for £50 re addition to original Micro Grant
Internal transfer of £50 to FOHWCP re addition to original Micro Grant

9. M8 M73 M74 Motorway Improvements Evaluation: 'corporate' feedback by CCC. See item 7. 3) c) above.

10. Upgrading CCC's main website: proposal and request for CCC approval – M Farmer

- The question of access to CCC's website arose in a discussion with A Park (FoHWCP) over advertising their events and activities. CCC has expanded in terms of the number of subgroups now operating since the creation of our website and it now needs upgrading. There have been several updates on WordPress also and an upgrade will allow for other subgroup members to update/run their pages.
- On 19th March 2020, the office bearers agreed that the first stage should be to obtain a cost estimate for the upgrade. J Bachtler has contacted the web designer (Graeme) who set up our website for costs and will chase this up.

11. **Strengthening Cambuslang CC:** 3 vacancies for CCC members and other project helpers required – M Farmer and D Porter

- It was agreed that we need to recruit for vacancies/helpers. However this will now be delayed until later in the summer due to the current pandemic.

12. Public Reference Forum: Telephone Directory Costs. **See item 7. 3) d) above**

13. Parks

- Friends of Holmhill Wood Community Park Sub-Group – No report

14. Town Greening Projects

- Cambuslang in Bloom Sub-Group: update on planning for forthcoming season. L Wallace has arranged for a planning meeting of the CiB sub-group to take place on Saturday 21st March 2020.

15. Any Other Business

a) Waste on the Main Street by M Farmer

- MF sent 2 photographs taken on the Main Street (2 March 2020) to Sheena Redmond (SLC, Team Leader Environmental Health 5 March 2020 and Mr Myles (SLC, Environmental Officer) of commercial furniture (bread basket, cardboard etc) and careless dumping of 6/7 black bags next to a commercial waste bin at the south-east of the Main Street just down from Costa Coffee.
- S Redmond reported back that an officer visited the premises involved and the operators have arranged for an increase in uplift to try to prevent such 'overflows' in future. A separate uplift was arranged via Land Services (Ref. No. 5794466) for the inert waste (breadbasket, cardboard).
- After a further enquiry, SR clarified that a regular extra uplift at this operator's premises will be pro-actively monitored when in the area carrying out other Environmental Health duties.
- MF also requested some '*Reporting on street waste*' leaflets/flyers to be displayed on the main street to encourage local people to report this behaviour and help to eradicate it. SR stated that SLC do not have leaflets/flyers. MF will contact Michael McGlynn to find out if flyers can be created/supplied for reporting future incidents otherwise items lie for weeks/months.
- SR also confirmed that the Environmental Health Dept. carry out Food Law Inspections of all Food Businesses based on the Risk Rating system detailed in The Interventions Food Law Code of Practice (Scotland) on our Main Street –

she provided the link for the public to access this information.

<https://www.foodstandards.gov.scot/consumers/food-safety/buying-food-eating-out/food-hygiene-information-scheme>

b) Peter Brownlee RA Park

- MF spoke with Jimmy (?) from Blantyre Soccer Academy from 6 March 2020 regarding the Asset Transfer approach – the details were recorded and passed onto the ‘Mission Possible’ group who are set to meet 7 April 2020 at 6-7pm.
- MF has sent 2 email requests (9th and 13th March 2020) to SLC Asset Transfer department to arrange a time/date for a meeting. So far, she has not received a response. MF also contacted Cllr Walter Brogan 19 March 2020 to ask if he can contact SLC AT contact SLC soon to arrange a Skype/Zoom meeting with MF.
- John McCafferty, SLC’s Community Engagement Advisor for Asset Transfer responded by email 23 March 2020 (he had been on holiday) and provided Scottish Government guidelines on community AT and stated that the group has to be an appropriately constituted group and if this can be achieved the AT would be looked on favourably. MF forwarded this information to Laura Birrell and Alex Black and thanked John McCafferty for providing it.

c) M Ferrier MP provided a written update on her activities relevant to the Ward 13 community. See Annex 1.

PLEASE NOTE

During the current Covid-19 crisis, CCC office-bearers and other CCC members will continue to monitor and respond to issues affecting our community in Ward 13. This will be done mainly by email and virtual meetings (by Zoom).

Future CCC Meetings will only be arranged once the relevant authorities advise that it is safe to do so.

All decisions taken by the office-bearers will be recorded and presented to the next full CCC Meeting, whenever that occurs, for retrospective formal approval.

Report from Margaret Ferrier MP – Member for Rutherglen and Hamilton West

The biggest event in Westminster this month was the UK Government's Budget. I am particularly concerned that communities across my constituency continue to struggle to access free-to-use cash machines and bank branches, and the measures announced in the Budget have failed to tackle these issues. I know that this is an issue which Cambuslang Community Council has campaigned on and I will be bringing forward legislative proposals to tackle this problem in the coming weeks and months.

Coronavirus has also been a big issue and many constituents have got in touch with me to highlight that they have had difficulties with their insurers regarding changing their travel plans as a result of quarantine measures. I am raising these concerns directly with the Foreign Office and if you are encountering similar problems, please do not hesitate to contact me using the details below.

I have also been questioning UK Government Ministers on a variety of issues, including the DWP's recent review of rules for claiming benefits if you have a terminal illness. Marie Curie have highlighted that many people living with terminal illnesses cannot get certain reserved benefits because you have to have a prognosis of 6 months or less to live. The DWP should follow Social Security Scotland's decision to not specify time limits for terminal illnesses.

I joined colleagues from across the political spectrum at a series of events to celebrate International Women's Day. From a reception in Hamilton Town House to a screening of the film Her Century in Rutherglen, these events highlighted the importance of tackling gender inequality as a key step in delivering a fairer, more progressive society. I also met with school pupils who took part in the Go4SET competition in South Lanarkshire, and it was wonderful to see so many girls taking an interest in STEM subjects.

Contact for constituents

The best method of contact is via email to Margaret.ferrier.mp@parliament.uk or on our temporary office number 07562 288 713. You can also keep up to date with my activities on FaceBook – Margaret Ferrier MP – and Twitter - @MargaretFerrier.

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