

Maryfield Community Planning Partnership

February 14th 2023

1 Attendance

Johnny Lothian – Chairperson

Councillor Cruickshank

Councillor Short

Sheila Allan – Health

Kirsten Kiddie – Police

Ged Sheridan – Fire Service

Katie Angus – DVVA

Colin Clement – Stobswell Forum

Betty Wood - Resident

David MacDougall – Community Regeneration Forum

Gill Bain – Boomerang

Kristina Piggott – DIWC

Daisy Field – Dundee Carers Centre

Stuart Fairweather – Communities

Ross Craig – Chief Exec’s Office

Apologies: Alan Bowman – City Development, Councillor Lynn, Liz Allardice – Youth Work, Sarah Paterson – Housing, Chris Bonnar – Fire Service, David Rice – Police, Louise Yannetta – Health, Jim Gordon – Community Regeneration Forum.

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed (Councillor Short /Kirsten Kiddie). Johnny welcomed all to the meeting and introductions were made.

3 The Plan

The printed version of the plan was circulated (see attached).

4 Establishing Working Groups

All five working groups have met. Those taking part were thanked for their input. Councillors and all LCPP members will be informed of dates of working group meetings (see below). An update was given on each working group:

4.1 Cost of Living / Stobswell West Ross explained that there had been two recent meetings. It had been agreed that Ross would act as chair and Stuart would take minutes. Progress was being made in relation to the Connections shop on Albert Street and the advice worker at Morgan Academy. Kiera O'Rourke and Val Kane were thanked for the work they had done in the area on producing films and carrying out questionnaires. Ross also spoke briefly about logic modelling and link between the working group and the City's Fairness Initiative.

Daisy spoke about the Carers Centre participatory budget scheme and the deadline being extended to Friday 17th.

Councillor Short highlighted her trip to Govanhill with DCC's Tom Stirling and Kenny Kerr and the potential use of an 'app' to highlight services. It was suggested knowing the number of tenements without secure door entry systems would be of help.

Gill highlighted the work taking place at Boomerang, including the work of the Positive Steps navigator – Brian Currie. It was agreed to highlight this and the other Doors Open provision across the ward.

The working group will take part in a walk about in Stobswell West on **February 22nd**.

4.2 Albert Street Area Colin two meetings have taken place, the second had better attendance and it was agreed to continue these quarterly. Work on the pocket park at Craigie Street is set to commence. Sustrans will use this as an opportunity to consult on the plans for Eliza Street.

The Partnership agreed to follow-up with City Development on sharing information about all studies/research relating to Albert Street. It was hoped this could be shared before the next working group on **April 28th**.

A public meeting is planned for **April 4th 6pm** in Stobswell Parish Church. This will focus on the future of Albert Street and the views of trader and people living there.

It was noted that the attraction of Art Night to the Stobswell (and the City) will see activity focussed on Albert Street and the surrounding area on the evening of June 24th and the period surrounding it. Arthurstone Library and Baxter Park Pavilion are likely venues.

4.3 Green and Open Spaces Group Stuart updated on the group's latest meeting.

Baxter Park: In addition to the recently installed adventure trail equipment, an inclusive roundabout is due to be installed in the toddler play area. There will also be an element of repair at this location (wood and rope).

Swannie Ponds: New equipment and an extension of the fenced area will be provided.

Malcolm Street: Recent works include replacement bark, shrub pruning and replacement bench and basket swing. Work has taken place on a design for the park. However, there is no commitment as yet to take forward a project. The site will be considered in due course as part of the citywide play review.

Stuart was asked to work with Environment section colleagues to organise quarterly environmental walkabouts. In addition to Malcolm Play park being a priority the Blackscroft/Crescent Lane area was highlighted alongside Councillor Short requesting a focus on Woodside / Graham Street corner.

The planned planting at the Court Street corners has been temporarily postponed.

4.4 Children and Families Johnny reported on the establishment of the group, on its plan to define its role and its aspiration to provide meaningful information to parents new to the ward. The role of Jenni Leigh from the National Literacy Trust was mentioned in this regard. Mapping provision and parental involvement were also seen as being important. The meeting noted the paper from Liz Allardice on Youth Work in the Ward. Councillor Short spoke about her work in the City Centre and the development of a QR code highlighting local youth work.

4.5 Recovery and Community Sheila spoke the ADP funding being used to establish activity, break down barriers and encourage partnership work. This had been reflected in the recent strategic report. The meeting noted the paper from Kiera O'Rourke outlining the spend of the £10,000 allocated to Maryfield. A Year of Kindness initiated by the Alcohol and Drug Partnership may also release funds to the above.

Overlaps with the Cost of Living work were noted and it was hoped that the evaluation work of Public Health Scotland will hopefully assist in identifying issues and responses.

5 Reports to the Partnership

The report from Fire was noted with no major concerns in the Maryfield area. Links with schools are positive and it was noted that home safety visits are now targeted. Funding for linked fire alarms has now ended.

Kirsten for the Police asked that discussion take place on what best they can feed into meetings to help move things forward.

6 Dates of Future Meetings

- **Tuesday 16th May 2pm Arthurstone Library**
- **Tuesday 22nd August 6pm Morgan Academy**
- **Tuesday 21st November 2pm Arthurstone Library**

