

COLDSIDE LOCAL COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP

MINUTE OF MEETING

Tuesday 14th May 2024 3.00pm in Hilltown Community Centre

PRESENT:

Cllr Heather Anderson	DCC Councillor
Cllr Mark Flynn	DCC Councillor
Elaine Pratt	DCC Neighbourhood Services Communities
Murray Webster	Coldside Regeneration Forum
Rhea Dryden	Community Empowerment Team
Alison Goodfellow	Maxwell Centre
Margaret Edwards	Community Regeneration Forum
Lynne Isaacs	Hilltown CC Local Management Group – Hilltown Centre
Anne MacDonald	Housing, Project Officer
Tammy Williamson	Hilltown CC Local Management Group
Robyn Scanlan	Volunteer, Hilltown Community Centre
Emma Gordon	DVVA, Volunteering and Engagement Worker
Margaret Wemyss	Coldside Community Forum, Chairperson

APOLOGIES:

J. Heffell, L. Gibb, D. Weir, L. Dashwood, Danielle Du Plooy, Cllr G. McIrvine, G. Melvin, Sgt G. Watson, J. Lorimer, Bailie H Wright, A. Leslie

1. Welcome and Introductions

Elaine welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that people introduce themselves. **No Locality Leader present at this meeting.**

2. Community Wishes

Elaine noted that Community Wishes is on the agenda but updated that, due to system issues, the person working on this will not be present as data was lost. This is a community benefit system that matches up 'wishes' with developers or businesses doing work for the council. Wishes can currently be submitted to be added to the list, but Elaine pointed out that they should not be of an urgent nature or on a tight timescale as there is no indication of the time it might take to be picked up on specific jobs, if at all.

3. Minute of Previous Meeting

Agreed as an accurate note. Proposed by Lynne and Seconded by Heather.

4. Matters Arising

Noted that members of the LCPP are unhappy that there has been no replacement Locality Chair identified. Elaine updated that there are currently three areas that recently lost their Chairs and all positions waiting to be filled. Also noted that Alan Fraser has replaced Jennifer Kincaid for the time being, but Alan is intending to retire at the end of July. Murray expressed concerns around vacant positions not always being filled and wished it to be noted in the minute that the group expects a replacement.

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Restructure of Building Stronger Communities

- 5.** Murray indicated that a paper had been circulated to the Partnership but was still waiting on clarification of what the final structure would look like. Elaine to write to Nicky for clarification of what this will be like in practice and when this will begin. Elaine summarised that the Building Stronger Communities Group has now ended as it was no longer serving its purpose. It was to ratify council grants and a small cohort of local reps would give area updates. The aim is to

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have a group with much broader representation – we already have this in Coldside but other areas don't. It is hoped that different faces will get involved with the new structure. People felt that the current update on the new structure was confusing and are awaiting clarity on it to understand what it means in practice. The new structure was supposed to begin in June but will potentially be later now. Elaine said meetings could potentially be themed with relevant partners coming together but this has not been confirmed.

6. Locality Plan Updates

6.1 Environment Sub-group

The Environmental Action Plan had been circulated to the Partnership. Murray talked through some of the actions indicating that new actions had been developed in the last quarter and other actions had been completed.

Noted that parking was an issue which had come back onto the plan, namely pavement parking. Mark stipulated that the police have a key role in enforcing this. There have been several complaints regarding the cars parking on Alexander Street on the double yellow lines and the pavements particularly since the introduction of the restricted parking on Ann Street. The LCPP agree to write to Euan McNaughton at DCC and Chief Inspector Nicola Russell, co-signed by Community Forum Chair and Management Group Chair and head teachers, regarding the issues relating to enforcing pavement parking and Ann Street restrictions. Elaine said LEZ may also bring about new issues.

Robyn updated that there are currently around 10 adults accessing HCC garden at Thursday sessions and throughout the week. 2 school eco groups with up to 18 children come to the garden. Robyn raised an issue regarding contamination of the land around the Coldside Campus and the land at the edge of the Community Garden and stairs. She had a meeting with F Welsh from Environment and had received some information relating to testing that had been done. During discussions with Fiona, Robyn was told that "people shouldn't be growing things in the garden" and that there should be no fruit trees in space between the Bella Centre and Ann Street. Robyn's concerned that the land which had previously been the site of the multi's has not been properly treated for contamination and, if still contaminated people have not been told. The end of Ann St was potentially not remediated with tarpaulin and soil. The entire site floods and gets wind blowing down the hill so this is washing and blowing contaminants into the air and into other areas. The school was built on an area where no rubble was taken away or replaced so soil tests are needed as Tarpaulin is now showing on parts of the ground suggesting not enough soil was used. There is currently no evidence of verification reports. Heather indicated that we need to find out what has been done and what should have been done as there is clear guidance about dealing with asbestos and Mark felt a meeting is necessary. Robyn was told some soil samples will be taken in June but only some areas – all areas potentially need tested, and we need to know what is being tested for. Engineers will also be out to check with site for trip hazards with the movement of rubble. It was questioned whether

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this could have implications for the MUGA.. Murray felt that we should not wait until the next meeting to get an update on this and asked Elaine to add to the plan – Management of Contaminated Land.
Mark and Heather agreed to take this up with the appropriate Departments.

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Alison updated that Grow Dundee has received money from the second round of Climate Challenge fund for the Big Grow to provide families with the skills and knowledge to grow at home – 60 sign-ups have been done so far across Dundee with lots from Coldside. There are also currently 3 matches for garden sharing. Alison to get update to Elaine for the action plan.

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Elaine let everyone know that at the entrance to Hilltown Park there is now artwork on the slabs with planters and benches going in next. Alison mentioned that there is an audio trail with QR codes to scan and soundbites with local people's anecdotes to listen to.

Margaret reported that the latest Community forum meeting held a discussion about the Christmas tree as it is possible that people may not want this. Elaine said wider consultation would need to be done to look at this first. Currently the tree has been removed as it blew over in the storm and was not rooted properly when put back. Heather has emailed the environment department to see if they can attend the next forum meeting to see what options there are – too big for that area and the condition of the ground is poor.

Health and Wellbeing Subgroup and ADP Sub-group

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The health and Wellbeing Action Plan had been circulated. Elaine gave an update on ADP Projects. There had been five projects funded by the LCPP Subgroup and These included; The Recovery Network, Vaping Project at Our Lady's, Family Project at Rosebank Family Project with We Are with You and a Men's Breakfast and Drop In. The Subgroup agreed to continue funding the Recovery Network, Men's Drop and Our Lady's Vaping project for the next financial year.

Lynne gave an update on Hilltown Healthy Toes, the nail cutting project which will launch in May ahead of schedule. The Management Group have currently had two volunteers trained for this project and already have people on the waiting list for the service with 5 appointments available each week to begin with.

Rhea indicated that the Management Group and volunteers were doing a variety of activities for Mental Health Week, flyers issued. This included a variety of activities which would all be free and in some cases the Management Group agreed to pick up any associated costs for activities so they would be free. This would end with the Dryve night in the centre on Friday – everyone welcome.

Community Regeneration Forum

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Murray let the group know that there is £83,770 available this year with 6 applications funded so far with £41,000 going to Youth Inclusion work. Currently there is around £24,000 left in small grants and £14,000 left in Youth Inclusion. Capital funding allocation has been removed from the forum and there is currently a group working on a proposal for how the physical side of the money will be granted and processed. A report will go to the council leadership team then a committee report will follow.

Service/Community Group Update

8. **Community Empowerment Team – Rhea Dryden**

The Wee Bonnet Cafe has continued to provide a space for people to come along and meet others and provide a venue where a group of young volunteers can take the responsibility for providing this. The young volunteers support the children's groups which come in to serve. School staff have indicated that having children come into the cafe to take part in the running of the cafe has proven to be positive to their confidence and skills. Other groups of children come to the centre and make soup which is then given to families, other organisations, or the cafe. This means that basic kitchen skills are taught with the children, again increasing confidence in abilities etc. Noted that the Larder has reduced sessions to two a week, Thursday evening and Friday. Thursday is Coldside residents only, first hour on Friday is also Coldside residents. Garden group meets on Thursdays and are developing the garden for growing – if anyone would like to come along everyone is welcome.

DVVA – Emma Gordon

Consultation will take place 28/05 around PVG scheme changing for charities with a cost being added. There will be a discounted rate of £28 from full cost of £70 however this is a significant increase from the current free PVG that charities have access to. Emma to share the link via email. A new initiative called the Funding Forum is being put together by Miriam at DVVA with a meeting coming up on 29/05 re. Sharing funding info – Emma is to share the email link. Peer Recovery Network is ongoing with peer workers in the city being supported to chat re. Their practice. An online event will take place on 03/06. OSCR are conducting a review on charity regulation which is open until 22/07. 3rd – 9th June is volunteer week. There will be events in the library including a film on 06/06 for groups to nominate people who want to attend as many groups do not have funds to celebrate.

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Hilltown Management Group – Lynne Isaacs

Lynne updated the partnership on the centre's programme. Yoga is suspended and new tutor being located. Music will hopefully be extended to include a children's summer programme. Currently have 2 craft groups and Digi photography class with a new footcare project starting soon. Monthly bingo is delivered in partnership with the larder to fundraise and is well attended. Hilltown movie club is free and takes place on the last Friday of the month. Meal and movie will start again in winter months. Lynne is interested in being the named person for putting volunteers through PVG checks and hopes to train in this.

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Maxwell Centre

Alison circulated their monthly statistics. Alison highlighted that there is a new website being created and, in the meantime, timetables are available on Facebook and in hard copy. There will be a focus on Instagram in the next while to ensure a presence on this platform. Friday mornings are busy with toddler/baby sessions and there is a new monthly litter pick in partnership with the Health Team. 6 microgrants have been issued through Changemakers after a Soup Event at Dudhope Castle saw all projects pitched funded. 75 people recently attended a visioning event at the Steeple for a new pilot environmental project starting in September and supported by £7500. Alison is to update Elaine for the plan. There will be 2 part time coordinators to help support others through the Change Hub. A Scottish Government funding application is supporting a new partnership with NHS to build on outreach work.

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Councillor Mark Flynn

The concrete in houses has been surveyed and letters gone out to tenants and owners. £4.8m is allocated to getting voids back up to pre-covid levels in the next 20 weeks.

Coldside Community Forum – Margaret Wemyss

James Milne attended a meeting recently to update on parking on the pavements which was interesting. The group is looking for new members. Margaret asked Elaine if she would write to ask if officers could attend future meetings.

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Housing – Anne McDonald

Anne tabled an update from Housing which included concrete repairs lift replacement at Dalfield.

Anne also commented on the review of garages and lock ups across the city some of which were in a poor state. Maragret asked if Anne felt people know about parking options where parking is bad, particularly round the new builds – Anne to check if they know about parking in the Courtyard area.

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Elaine Pratt

Cosy Spaces in the centre is ongoing and busy. Daniel is a new Community Guider at the larder to act as triage and support people with income maximisation as our Connect workers are based in schools now. Tuesday ESOL cooking remains busy.

Dundee Health and Social Care Partnership

Update enclosed.

Tayside Fire and Rescue

Update enclosed.

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Inspection CLD

9. Heather indicated that the results of the CLD Inspection came before the Council Committee, highlighting the work of CLD across the city. 3 areas of work are to be used as case studies for the rest of Scotland. Elaine reminded the group that some areas don't have CLD and Murray felt that this excellent work is even more reason to ensure that we have a chairperson. He expressed disappointment in there not being representatives of very many Council Departments round the table. Mark echoed this and felt that this should be sent back to appropriate managers.

Date Time & Venue of Next Meeting

Tuesday 6th August 3.00pm in Hilltown Community Centre

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