

**Drylaw Telford Community Council
Ordinary Meeting
22
26th February 2020**

**Drylaw Parish Church
Groathill Road North
Edinburgh
EH4 2RG**

Present: Jimmy Galloway, Ros (Community Police), Pam Higgins, Jackie Brown, Penny Donnelly, Cllr Osler, Cllr Mitchell, Abdul Mukit, Eileen Brash, Roy Douglas, Alex Dale.

Apologies from Vicky Nicholson, Jenny Williams, Cllr Whyte, Andy Connelly-Nimmo, Cllr Barrie, Jennifer Porter, Tony Porter

- 1. Welcome from Jimmy Galloway**
- 2. Declarations of interest – none**
- 3. Minutes from previous meeting – approved.**
- 4. Police Report**
 - Increase of presence of motorbikes in Wester Drylaw Drive and Park area. Plain clothed units are patrolling and work is ongoing. Images of drivers/registration plates are being gathered in the hope of identifying individuals.
 - Parking – Telford Drive. Police are working with the Western General Hospital. Police met with a manager within the hospital and a staff wide email is to be sent in regards to the parking issues. Once all staff have been educated, vehicles will start to be ticketed and/or uplifted.
 - Traffic Road Order in place for the top of Groathill Road North as you turn right on to Telford Road due to parking issues.
 - Pavement parking – no current legislations in place
 - Issues with youths (Telford Drive/Telford Road/Crewe Toll). Additional patrols will be allocated over the Easter Holidays and the public are encouraged to keep reporting any issues.
 - Bike Marking – 100% agreeance after online poll that this would be useful. Date and venue to be organised. Will be local to Inverleith Ward.
 - Cannabis – ongoing work in area to target issues. Any complaints can be reported to Police or Crimestoppers (100% anonymous).
- 5. Chairs Report**
 - Transportation/Mobility Consultations – handout given out re proposed pedestrianised are of George Street.
 - Removal of 4 rent free weeks per year for council tenants. Following a survey, 60% of tenants agreed to the removal of rent-free weeks.
- 6. Secretary Report**
 - Choices for City Plan 2030 – Comments to be received by 31st March 2020.

- Police Scotland Contact Assessment Model (CAM) – a new way of assessing 101 and 999 calls. Invite for 1 representative to attend a workshop to learn more on Friday 28th Feb.
- Inverleith Neighbourhood Network next meeting on Greenspace in Inverleith – 27th February within City Chambers.

7. Treasurers Report – no changes

8. Councillors Report

- Cllr Osler has managed to organise a bus shelter for the stop opposite the Church. It will be a narrow shelter with no side panels but will have a roof and bench. This will be erected in around 6 months.
- Fly Tipping – improved however a walkaround in Wester Drylaw would be beneficial to identify issues.
- Anti-Social behaviour – bridge over cycle path, bottles being thrown on to cyclists. Please report to 101 if seen.
- Question re lack of lighting in Easter Drylaw Park (Greenspace). Penny Donnelly to photograph areas of concern and forward to Councillors.
- Budget – full report can be found online however funding for Nursery Teachers, Community Police Officers and Music tuition has all been stopped. We will lose our Community Police Officers from April 1st 2020. Concern re handling of anti-social behaviour.
- A review is to be made of library services as £1 000 000 saving to be made. Cuts have also been made to Edinburgh Leisure.
- If anyone feels strongly about any particular budget issue, write to the Convenor and Vice Convenor of the relevant committee and ask them to fight to protect their budgets. Also ask for justification on their decisions

9. Roy Douglas – Drylaw Neighbourhood Centre

- Use of Community Council donated funds – Easter event on 9th April. Bouncy Castle, Petting Zoo, treasure Hunt, Clown, Stalls.
- Bag Packing at Sainsbury's on 21st March to raise funds.
- Future Plans – Car boot sale, kids market, summer fun day.
- Funding – Funded up until October, crisis meeting held with Management Board and some strategies being reviewed.

10. Penny Donnelly – Family Fridays

- Drylaw Parish Church are starting a monthly family event. The first Friday of the month, Children and their Parents/Carers are invited along for lunch, games, crafts and story-telling at no cost.

11. Any other business – no

12. Date of next meeting – 25th March 2020 - 7pm.