

Northfield and Willowbrae

Community Council

Meeting Minutes

Date: 17/05/2022

Time: 19:00

Location: Remote, Microsoft Teams

Present:

Dave Armstrong, Nick Marshall, Gordon Macdonald, Ian Murray,

Charlie Wood, Sarah Cleary

Councillors:

Other:

Apologies: Councillor Joan Griffiths

Chair: Gordon Macdonald

• Approval of minutes (07/12/2021)

No issues were raised from the minutes of our last meeting.

- Proposed by Gordon
- Seconded by Dave
- Matters Arising
 - o None
- Treasurer's Report
 - o None as John Nisbet unable to attend.
- Police Report
 - Email report submitted by PC Morrison

There have been 16 incidents reported of Antisocial Behaviour, mainly to the Piersfield area and the Piershill Square East and West.

There were also numerous incidents of damage inflicted to the Royal High Primary School which I am currently investigating. I think they will be linked to the group of kids who attended Baronscourt Park yesterday (15th May). I am in the process of collating evidence however I have had an initial chat with the parents of some of the persons involved which I hope will bring results in the meantime.

There have been 7 incidents reported in relation to persons taking drugs, mainly Northfield Grove area and Piershill.

There have been 0 Hate Crimes reported

And 1 incident of attempted breaking into a shed.

- Street trader application Cavalry Park Pavilion Ref 454131
 - Several objections from Duddingston Amenity Society and Cavalry Park Friends Group. Unsure of Licensing Board timescale for this application.
 - Action: Dave to draft a letter to Licensing Board.
- School Streets
 - Recurring issues at St John's and Duddingston Primary Schools re parking/drop offs.
 - Action: Charlie to draft letter.
- Treverlen Park/ St Johns
 - Lack of clarity around access to astroturf pitch.
 - Note: pitch is not in our CC area but many potential users are.
 - Action: Dave to contact councillor Jane Meagher and other Portobello/Craigmillar councillors.
- Plan to attract new CC members
 - Discussion re linking with some local growing groups in the area for an informal meeting/event - venues/timings (August/Community Centre/Morrisons).
- Any Other Competent Business
 - Discussion re proposals for traffic management in Smokey Brae and parked cars blocking Fishwives Causeway cycle route.
- Following Meeting
 - The CC agreed on the next meeting taking place on Tuesday 13th September@ 7pm.

•	The meeting will not be online - venue TBA (preferably Willowbrae Church or Northfield/Willowbrae CC).