**Drylaw Telford Community Council**

**Ordinary Meeting**

**31.01.18, Drylaw Neighbourhood Centre, 7.00pm**

**Minutes**

**Chair:** Derek Hanley

**Present:** Malcolm Jeffrey, Eileen Brash, Jackie Brown, Vicky Nicolson

**Ex-Officio Members:** Councillor Osler, Councillor Barrie, Councillor Whyte

**Guests:** Jennifer Porter, Tony Porter, Valerie Gilchrist, Norman Pettit, PC Neville Richardson, Joanne Picken (Manor Housing)

1. **Apologies:**

James Galloway, Linda McCourt, Councillor Mitchell

1. **Minutes of Last Meeting/Matters arising**

No minutes were provided.

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Derek enquired about Manor estates havig a no completion certificates for the work that has been carried our on Telford Drive/Road. Cllr Barrie will contact the neighbourhood office.

There is a tree growing in the pavement between 8 and 10 Telford Drive, Cllr Osler will look into this.

There have been no road sweepers in the Telford area for some time, Cllr Barrie will look into this.

There is a large mount of litter on the walkway and between Telford Shop and the wasteland. Cllr Osler reported that she and volunteers from Sustrans had pcked up 37 bags of rubbish. Cllr Osler shared that there is a regulr meet of the last Thurs of easch month between 1.30 and 3.30pm. They meet at ?

CCTV Telford Path – Gavin shared that this has been pushed forward to 2018/19 Neighbourhood Partnership funding due to CEC examining their current arrangement whereby thy hire the cable network for CCTV. The council are exploring installing a network of digitall CCTV and decisions around CCTV are being postponed while this is carried out. Cllr Barrie will look into the Telford Drive shops CCTV and feedback.

Easter Drylaw Gardens work – Cllr Osler will speak with Dave Sinclair at CEC regarding the NEPS budget being used for this purpose.

Lights at Wester Drylaw – some have been fixed and some are yet to be fixed.

Bin at bus stop at red bridge – this may be relaced and is still at the discussion stage.

1. **Police report**

Neville Richardson was welcomed by DTCC.

Derek requested information regarding a child abduction attempt on Telford Road – Neville said he will update regarding this.

Neville provided an update regarding Telford Road parking as there are still cars parking on the zig zags. Neville shared that 2 community officers are patrolling this area as often as possible and have yet to be there to catch drivers parking on zig zags. The signs on the lampposts only sopped people parking in this area until people realised that they couldn’t be enforced, these have now ben removed.

Neville informed DCC that there is a replacement for Pete Sparrow called Holly (surname?). The area has retained Inspector Elliot and Sam (?) as Community sergeant as well as the existing 2 community officers. There are now an additional 3 community officers available for Inverleith and, on top of this, 9 other officers for Muirhouse, Pilton and Easter and Wester Drylaw.. These 9 officers will have specific taks to detect, deter divert and disrupt anti social behaviour.

Neville asked that people use 101, Crimestoppers and email to make contact and that Grade ½ crimes (threat to life) will always take priority.

There is a dedicated officer for the cycle path and there is a new approach to motorbike crime, working closely with families. No more information can be given at present.

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1. **Web Site**

It was agreed that Vicky will look into paying for a website to be developed using CC funds and get quotes.

Malcolm will enquire at Edinburgh College as to whether this could be a college project.

In addition, Social media was suggested as a way to bridge the gap until a website is developed.

1. **Dave Pickering guest speaker**

Dave presented information about the work Community Action North (CAN) are carrying out and said that most of the funds so far had been spent around Muirhouse but that Drylaw comes into the remit of the organisation.

The focus of the work CAN are doing is to make sure community voices are heard and have been focussingon Greater Pilton of which Drylaw is a part. Dave shared that they hope that the work they do ensures that what the community asks for happens.

Dave touched on the Community Empowerment legislation and that it remains to be seen whether Community Councils will supported/legitimised by this legislation.

Dave shared information about a training course, Knowing Me Knowing my Community and will circulate more information.

CAN recently visited Easterhouse in Glasgow and were very impressed by the work the ECDC (?) a community organisation with a staff of 30 have carried out and the far reaching impact on their community and felt North Edinbugh could learn from thir example.

1. **AOB**

Localities were discussed; whether the introduction of localities will bring problems with less resources being bid for by the 4 different localities. Councillors shared information about a committee meeting to take place regarding localities on 9 Feb and how the structure will be arranged and will feedback at next meeting.

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1. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next DTCC meeting will take place at Drylaw Neighbourhood Centre on 28.02.18 at 1900hrs.

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