

MARYFIELD COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP

Arthurstone Community Library 14/05/24

A G E N D A

1. **Attendance:** Johnny Lothian, Cllr Lynn, Cllr Short, Cllr Cruickshank, David MacDougall, Sheena Wellington, Fionn Steveson, Emma Gordon, Kristina Piggott, Jim Gordon, Sheila Allan, Sandy Boyd, Julie Lorimer, Stuart Fairweather. **In attendance:** Marie Daily, Alistair Wilson

Apologies: Kirsten Kiddie, Gill Bain, Colin Clement, Mo Saunders, Chris Bonnar, Tracie MacMillan,

2. **Previous Minutes and Matters Arising**

- 2.1 Whole Family Wellbeing Fund

It was noted by Councillor Short that third round of applications had been called for. Again, there was no positive outcome for Maryfield.

- 2.2 Boomerang Community Centre. It was noted that Gill Bain will be moving onto a new post. Gill was thanked for her contribution to the LCPP. The deadline for the 'new' manger post closed on the 13th of May.

- 2.3 Arthurstone Community Library. Steps are being taken to establish a Friends of Arthurstone group. Councillor Short had invited Alistair Wilson along from the library. It was suggested that Leisure and culture Dundee should have membership of the City's Community Planning Partnerships. **Alistair** indicated they he would discuss with his line mangers who would be best to attend should this progress.

3. **Bus Journey Improvements**

A consultation is being undertaken by City Development on behalf of Dundee City Council about the removal or merging of bus stops in an attempt to improve journey times.

Discussion took place about the limitations of the consultation, the assumption that the removal of bus stops would improve journeys and about specific stops. The Community Planning Partnership agreed to broadly support the submission of Stobswell Forum given the consultation had been 'imperfect' and the removal of bus stops would reduce access for those in the ward looking to make bus journeys.

Stuart was asked to contact City Development in relation to this.

4. **Updates on establishing the working groups:**

Stobswell West / Cost of Living Working Group. The group's action plan was shared. It was noted that this was forward looking although there will still actions to report on.

Councillor Short spoke about her recent meeting with a tenants' group in the area and their requests for more community policing.

Kirsten spoke about the new dedicated worker for Stobswell West based at DIWC and shared the details of the 10-week drop-in that is currently taking place (see attached).

Alistair highlighted the free SIM Cards that the library could provide and agreed to share dates when these would be available.

The work of Chris Adams (Financial Inclusion Officer at Morgan) was noted. Johnny explained that funding was being sought for an extension of Johnny's post.

Albert Street Working Group: Whilst the Albert Street Working Group had failed to meet recently. Fionn, David and Colin from Stobswell Forum have been working City Development staff to produce a Local Place Plan (LPP). Fionn gave a presentation of the progress that has been made in relation to this and this was welcomed by the community planning partnership. David sought clarity on the relationship between the local community plan and the partnership.

It was agreed that **Stuart** would contact the City Development rep. **Mo Saunders** and try to resurrect the Albert Street Working Group. This would hopefully maximise co-ordination and joint understanding of what is planned for the area.

Environment Working Group: Sandy and Julie were present. Julie will be taking over responsibility for the Maryfield Ward. It was agreed to re-establish the quarterly environmental walk-about and to use these as the basis for a working group.

Children, Young People and Families: Johnny updated on the work of the group and the leaflet/sway that has been produced highlighting services in the area. Members were asked to comment and suggest any additional information that might be added.

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Recovery and Community: It was noted the Alcohol and Drug Partnership funding had been distributed for 2023-2024 and a start to the distribution of funds had begun for 2024-2025 (minutes attached).

The Showcase event planned for Boomerang on May 28th was highlighted at members were asked to help publicised (see attached).

5. Partner Reports

5.1 Police Service

Councillor Lynn talked HGV traffic on Dalkeith Road. A traffic survey is planned (Johnny suggested young people from Morgan could be involved).

Discussion took-place about local shopkeepers. The potential for a facebook page or What's App group was suggested.

5.2 Fire Service

The increased number of secondary fires was a concern. Johnny spoke about the Fire Service attending Assemblies prior to the end of term. It was hope that if anyone had any information about the increase. It could be shared.

5.3 Dundee International Women's Centre

Kristina talked about the Women's Centre's need for new premises, ideally in the ward: 500 square meters with outside space for play. It was agreed all would 'keep their eyes open'.

5.4 City Centre – Secret Garden

The Community Council have been looking at Site 17 as the location for a growing space. Discussion have taken place with Kate Terhorne. Sandy felt this would be supported given the limited maintenance regime.

It was noted that things were still at a very early stage but that the Community Planning Partnership were positive about this idea.

5.5 Health

Sheila noted the paper that had been circulated from Joyce Barclay. Sheila spoke about Engage Dundee and the work that was taking place to produce info-graphics for each ward.

5.6 Voluntary Sector

Emma spoke about the current consultation taking place about PVG's and about the planned celebration for volunteers to mark volunteer week (Stuart to circulate the details).

6. Membership

The current membership list of the Maryfield Community Partnership was circulated. All were asked to forward any comments on the detail to **Stuart**.

7. Meeting Dates

6pm Morgan Academy Tuesday August 20th

6pm Arthurstone Library Tuesday November 19th