

Calton Community Council
Minutes of Meeting 13th March 2025
Calton Heritage and Learning Centre

Present: Tricia Fort (Chair), Caitlin Longman (CL-Area Partnership Community Councillor), Allan Scott (AS-Community Councillor), Mark Taylor (MT-co-opted Community Councillor), Alasdair Finlayson (AF-Planning & Licensing, Derek Pearson (DP-Associate Member), PC Craig Burns & PC Allison Millar (PCCB-Police Scotland), Neighbourhoods, Regeneration & Sustainability representative, Meabh Bradley (Neighbourhood Co-ordinator), John Mason (MSP), Bailie Linda Pike, Maria Burke & Hugh Lavery plus members of the public

Apologies: Charlie Kleboe-Rogers (CKR-Community Councillor), Laura Scott, Bel Price, John Grady (MP), Maureen Burke (MP)

1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies

The chair welcomed the meeting and asked for issues from the floor.

- Shared highlights from John Grady's response email
- Shared highlights from Maureen Burke's letter

2. Notes of the Meeting on 13th February 2025, Matters Arising and Actions

The chair confirmed the notes of the previous meeting. These were approved by Mark Taylor and seconded by Caitlin Longman.

ACTION: John Grady to keep CCC informed of the discussions regarding the football celebrations.	John Grady has responded with an email
ACTION: Tricia to write to the Calton councillors, MSPs and MPs as well as Tom Joyce at Barrowlands Market and Jim Lamby the Artist.	Completed (no contact details for the artist)
ACTION: MOP raised that there is activity on St. Andrews Street where is a large part of broken ground that has been covered with a large metal sheet that is a serious trip hazard. Kieran will write to the council on behalf of John Grady MP on behalf of the community.	Completed

3. Football Celebrations (Standing item)

Our chair has been invited along with another Community Council members to a meeting with MSP Kaukab Stewart (Kelvin area), with Police Scotland, City Council and both football clubs. We will share any updates.

Saturday 12th April might be the potential date as there is a home game at Celtic Park (but could be as early as the 7th April depending on match results).

LP – Council had a meeting last week with both the clubs, they engaged and promised further engagement. Celtic have said they will send stewarding staff if there are celebrations. Council do not have the power to stop it.

4. Police Scotland Report

- New community police sergeant (joined late as she was supporting traffic issues locally)
- Have a new community inspector, Lindsay Scott, who is keen to attend a future meeting.
- Morrison's has a large issue with shoplifting, they are working with the police to address this.
- Male & female reported for class B drugs, came from community intelligence and encourage the community to continue reporting.
- Work to reduce Youth disturbance by getting them into community clubs.
- Dirt bikes were reported in Glasgow Green which lead to an assault when they were challenged. Bikes have been seized and riders identified.
- Meeting with Thenue (housing association) to talk about security issues with closes, usually issues with drug users.
- Preparing for road safety campaign (number of speed checks planned) and a number of events at Glasgow Green.

Community comment:

- Attendee asked about shoplifting and whether they are seeing an increase in drug usage at Morrisons.
 - o Police Scotland (PS) – yes there was a site behind Morrison's, this has been cleaned by the council.
 - o MB – PS brought in an architectural liaison officer to reduce attracting using, cleared bushes, more lighting and cameras, there are daily visits.
 - o Residents asked how to access architectural liaison officer.
- MT highlighted dangerous driving near Glasgow cross with jumping lights.
 - o Police are aware of this issue.
- TF asked about applications for funfairs at Glasgow Green, have there been any disturbances at these events?
 - o PS – Yes but 15 years ago, last few years event directed at young children with a closed in area. PS usually add extra patrols.

ACTION: PS to share email address architectural liaison officer which we can add to the website.

5. Local Issues, with Neighbourhoods, Regeneration & Sustainability representative

- Meabh Bradley introduced herself as the Neighbourhood Co-ordinator for the whole Calton Ward.
- TF raised issue with a streetlamp.
 - o MB asked that this was put into an email with the lamp number and she will look into it.
 - o Other attendees reported reporting it. Community member highlighted other lights out and MB asked them to contact her.
- Parsonage square attendee – there was a project with GCU counting needles to identify if there has been an increase. They are unclear about which parts belong to the council and which is private. They are having to clear needles themselves.
 - o MB – urged to not pick up needles. If it is within the building (steps, external corridors) then it is the factor (Taylor Martin) as this is private property. Please

- report on the My Glasgow Map. Taylor Martin charges residents £100 to pick up needles. They want to be clear with residents so they report correctly.
- MB – there is a website called ATOM that you can check whether it is owned by Glasgow City council. (If it is pink it is owned by the council).
- MB – will follow up and check what area is council and will share it with the community council.

ACTION: MB to check which areas are council owned in Parsonage Square and will get back to the CC.

6. The Thistle (Safer Drug Consumption Facility) (Standing Item)

It has now been running for two months; AF represents the CC at the community forum. The first meeting was to set out what the community forum should do. It is an opportunity to engage with local stakeholders. They want to hear the impact of the service and hear concerns. They will also update on progress and future development.

- AF noted that there were very few people from the local community, they are looking for more community engagement.
- The chair of the forum is also the manager at the service. AF has suggested more community members and having someone external to chair would be beneficial.
- AS – meetings during the day do not work for the community.
 - AF – they will be rotating this with a day meeting and then an evening meeting.
- TF – can we ask if attendees from our CC meeting could come along?
 - LP – Could more than one person from CC attend?
 - AF – yes.
- LP – have they thought about how they can encourage more public engagement.
- AF – this is why I think someone independent would benefit it. They are not really looking to open it to the public.
- There is a community attendee who would like to attend.
 - TF suggested writing to the Thistle management team to ask if their owners' association could attend.
- Community question – can we comment on the terms of reference.
 - AF – he will ask.

ACTION: AF to ask if terms of reference can have comments from local community (or if they will publish it themselves).

7. Glasgow Green Station Stones

Maria Burke, Dennistoun resident and Hugh Lavery explained the history of the Station stones. She is interested in the heritage of the East End. There is a compound at Greendyke street, where the stones from the former Glasgow Green Station have been dumped. Paul Sweeney emailed Network Rail to figure out who owns the stones. Also spoke to Built Heritage. Network Rail will assume ownership if no one else does and will pay for them to be moved.

- Feel we need to act fast as the compound is being cleaned up. Then they need to be restored and moved.
- Thought about putting them in the Glasgow Station museum but not possible due to size.
- Alternative position would be back at the Green near the abandoned garden.

- LP offered to find out who owns this.
- No one has bought the land since 1968 but says that they are in the process of reviewing an application.
- Prof Johnny Rodger had noted that the stones would need specialist equipment to move them.

ACTION: LP will ask the council to find out more about who owns the stones. LP to find out who owns the abandoned garden at the Green which could be the proposed site.

8. Area Partnership

No new updates, reminder of the Area Partnership Funding.

9. Publicity Update

CKR – is looking at getting two new noticeboards.

10. Licensing Issues

PEL01296 (temporary public entertainment licence)
 Applicant:- Irvin Stringfellow
 Address of Premises:- Glasgow Green, Glasgow, G40
 Type of Entertainment:- Funfair consisting of: 16 Inflatables, 7 Adult Rides, 10 Juvenile Rides, 2 Funhouses, 1 Stall & 2 Catering Units
 Proposed Days and Hours of Opening:- 04 April 2025 to 21 April 2025 Monday to Sunday - 12.00pm to 9.00pm
 Last Date for Objection/Representation:- 21 March 2025
 We've been invited to comment on the above application for a temporary public entertainment licence. Please can you bring any concerns that may have been raised with you by members of the community to the meeting so we can respond after consideration tonight.

GC1832 Variation of Premises Licence
 Applicant:- C Hutton Limited
 Address of Premises:- Traders Tavern, 35 Kent Street and 1 Stevenson Street West, Glasgow, G40 2SR
 Sale of Alcohol:- On Sales
 Details of Variation:- Variation proposes to increase the terminal hour on Monday to Thursday from 11.00pm to 12.00Midnight
 Last Date for Objection/Representation:- 10 April 2025
 We've been invited to comment on the above application for variation of premises licence. Please can you bring any concerns that may have been raised with you by members of the community to the meeting so we can respond after consideration tonight.

PEL01295 (temporary public entertainment licence)
 Applicant:- Sam Stokes
 Address of Premises:- Glasgow Green, Glasgow, G40
 Type of Entertainment:- Funfair consisting of 14 inflatables, Penalty Shoot Out Game Stall, Hook a Duck Stall, 1 Food Kiosk and 1 Sweet Stall
 Proposed Days and Hours of Opening:- Thursday 26 June 2025 to Sunday 29 June 2025 -

11.00am to 7.00pm
Last Date for Objection/Representation:- 25 March 2025
We've been invited to comment on the above application for a temporary public entertainment licence. Please can you bring any concerns that may have been raised with you by members of the community to the meeting so we can respond after consideration tonight.

PEL01293 (temporary public entertainment licence)
Applicant:-DF Concerts Ltd
Address of Premises:-Glasgow Green, Glasgow, G40
Type of Entertainment:- TRNSMT Music Festival
Proposed Days and Hours of Opening:- Friday 11 July 2025 to Sunday 13 July 2025 - 11.00am to 11.00pm (VIP operational until midnight)
Last Date for Objection/Representation:- 18 March 2025
We've been invited to comment on the above application for a temporary public entertainment licence. Please can you bring any concerns that may have been raised with you by members of the community to the meeting so we can respond after consideration tonight.

STL (Home Sharing) - GL01496 - 3.1, 8 Lanark Street, ST7703-1191-3157-6907
Occupant capacity: 1; Number of rooms: 1
We've been invited to comment on the above application for a short term let licence.

11. Treasurer's Report

Treasurers report- opening balance £2005.50. Since the last meeting we have spent £50 on venue hire for the last public meeting and £23.44 on web mail costs.
There have been no deposits and we are left with a closing balance of £1932.06.

12. Planning Issues and Weekly Planning List Update

There are no planning issues to raise.
Anyone who has written in to planning applications should receive an email to attend the planning meeting if it goes forward.

13. Councillor Reports, MSP Report(s)

John Mason

- They have been doing work on the underground railway near London Road and it has been causing noise at night. Residents say they have not been contacted in advance about the works.
 - o JM will follow up.
- JM wanted to add that the drug consumption room needs more time to see if it has been a success. It is too early to pass any judgement.
- In parliament there have been discussions around mobiles in schools, languages bill to support Gaelic and Scots, working to improve access to university for at risk/deprived and programmes for children who have grown up in care.

Linda Pike

- Gave an updated on the Barrowland Park situation. There are multiple owners of the land. One of the owners is looking to develop the site into flats. It was always

designed as a temporary space. Multiple owners has its own set of issues and the council have still have not identified all owners. Council don't see this as a viable option to invest money in.

- Meat Market updated, they have been awarded 4.6 million to refurbish the metal shed, put in a park and pickle / pico court and some community spaces (for performance).
- Cleansing – this has been prioritized in the new budget with 200 more staff. Each ward will have a dedicated team of 3 working with their neighbourhood coordinator.

Community question – can the owners at Barrowland Park move forward with planning applications without all owners.

- LP – Yes that is allowed.

Could there be a community buy out?

- LP – Yes but it would be expensive.

14.AOCB

Community member – feels that she was making an important point on the football issues. Now sees more Celtic pubs on her doorstep. Licensing issue, please no more in the area.

Date of Next Meeting 10 April 2025 upstairs in the Calton Heritage and Learning Centre at 19:00.