

Calton Community Council

Public meeting 22. Thursday 14 August 2025, 7.00-8.30pm

Venue: Calton Heritage and learning centre, 423 London Road, Glasgow G40 1AG

Attendance

Tricia, Mark, Charlie, Alasdair

John Mason MSP

Dr Joanna Kerr (item 3)

11 members of the public

Apologies

Meabh Bradley

Police Scotland

Annie Wells, MSP

Councillor Cecilia O'Lone

Bel Price, Laura Scott, Allan Scott

Draft Minute

Item	Notes
1	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction, what the community council does• Elections• Funding from Glasgow City Council• Maps of the area distributed – clarification of Community Council Boundary• Ability for contributors to raise issues of concern
2	Minutes of meeting 21, 12 June 2025 Apology requested by Dr Kerr from Tricia regarding allegation of false statement made at previous meeting. Call for corrections? Not specific but misrepresentation of discussion and treatment of Dr Kerr raised Approval Charlie proposed, Mark seconded Q: do minutes get emailed out? No but put on website Matters arising - Not covered Actions - Not covered
3	Safety to women and children, Dr Joanna Kerr Summary of concerns raised and noted at previous meeting. Wishes to raise awareness of the issues with local politicians . Dr Kerr left the meeting and therefore the proposed discussion after presentation did not take place.
4	Football “celebrations” at Glasgow Cross – Standing item – progress update Concerns have been raised with Football club directly.
5	Police Scotland report

	No report
6	<p>Standing item – The Thistle (SDCF) progress update Community Forum Meeting, 12 August, included: talk from John Campbell, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, Injecting Equipment Provision (needle exchange)</p> <p>Area cleared on Tobago Street Meabh Bradley neighbourhood update Reported that number of users at the Thistle increasing Communication is very poor between thistle, council and community and no consultation or coordination between clean-up. If see drug materials or paraphernalia, or drug use, or crime please report to Police. Meeting sought more evidence of how it is affecting the local community because it is acknowledged that community is under-reporting drug crime Community reports barriers to reporting crime. Ought to be easier or more straightforward who to report to, what to report, how to log it. At present there is a lot of work to report issues. Outreach work by Thistle includes ability to contact them if drugs being used, and thistle staff can visit.</p>
7	<p>Local Issues with Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability representative (apologies from Meabh Bradley) including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works to clear land at treble two bar • Trees at school redevelopment site to be cut back as they hide street lights and conceal criminal activity and drug use • Mechanical street sweeper is circulating Calton area • Noticeboards – no update from last time. Community invited to pick a location for a notice board. Suggestions include one at park at Tobago Street and one in Calton Village • Litter picking – two litter picks took place in June & July at Gallowgate and at St Luke's/London Road. Next litter pick is 10am Sunday 17 August for up to 2 hours. meet at Barrowland Park. Suggestions sought for where to do next litter pick, where needs attention: Millroad Street and towards Morrisons; St Andrews Street. The Litter Pick hub for Calton is at the Calton Heritage and Learning Centre • Bins on St Andrews Street and Turnbull Street not being emptied. Response, each bin has a QR code to request an empty. • No street lighting on south side of St Andrews Street • Elections for Calton Community Council
8	<p>Treasurer's report Opening balance: £1716.34. Spend this month: £243.40, closing balance: £1472.94 Expenditure predicted to rise next year, venue hire</p>

9	<p>Planning issues including weekly planning list</p> <p>List of recent planning activity circulated. Views sought from members of the public</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 Charlotte Street, Short term let (25/01033/FUL) objection • Mercat Building conversion to flats (25/00707/FUL) mixed views reported • Barrowlands signage and lighting (25/01037/FUL) site visit supportive • Redevelopment of Tureen Street school (25/00634/FUL& 25/00635/LBA) supportive • Residential development proposed at Charlotte Street (23/00026/FUL) plans amended following objections. Further consultation took place because of the application being re-classified as a National Development. Objection. Pre-determination hearing to be scheduled. • Juliet Balcony proposed at 109 Millroad Street (25/01204/FUL) no objection • Digital advert proposed at 329 Gallowgate (25/00925/ADV) – application refused • Traffic regulation orders, new carbon-based parking permit regulations in Barras North and South • Concerns of parking rentals at St Andrews Square, Parsonage Square. • Update requested for Mixed use development proposed College planning applications
10	<p>Licensing issues</p> <p>There are no licensing consultations or decisions to report</p>
11	<p>Area Partnership Report</p> <p>Note Caitlin's contribution towards work of Area Partnership.</p>
12	<p>Councillor reports, MSP reports</p> <p>John Mason</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peak rail fares cease 1 September • Boundary change in our area for next year's Scottish Parliament election • Bin collection dates in our area have changed but information back online • Hopes that railway line east of Mercat Building could be used for regular passenger services in future. Rail Futures is one of the pressure groups • Agrees that Community Council is a valuable way for residents to have their say on planning issues • Highlights Glasgow Times newspaper is doing a series of articles on safety for women
13	<p>Any other competent business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q: Parking congestion at and on Glasgow Green. Attention requested for cars parking and even driving on to the green for barbeques • Parking spaces are intended for park visitors but instead being used for all-day parking

14	Date of next meeting 11 September 2025 Guests Tom Joyes and Dugald McArthur from Barrowlands Market
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