

# Stockbridge & Inverleith

community council

## May 2019 Draft minutes

of the meeting held on Wednesday 15 May 2019  
at Stockbridge Parish Church, Saxe Coburg Street, Stockbridge , Edinburgh

**Present, S&ICC:** Nigel Bagshaw (Chair); Pam Barnes (Planning Officer); Joan Beattie (rep on Inverleith Neighbourhood Partnership); David Chamberlain (Treasurer); Nigel Clark (Minutes); Gregan Crawford; Alex Johnson; Andrew Morrison; Jerry Ozaniec (Environment and Transport) ; Clive Preston (Vice Chair) Penny Richardson (Licensing)

**Members of the Community, including:** PC Holly Matheson (Police); PC Laura Addison (Police); Margaret Hill; Alan Murphy; Majid Robinson

**Ward Councillors and Member of Parliament:** Cllr. Max Mitchell; Hal Osler

**Apologies for absence:** MP Deidre Brock; Cllr Gavin Barrie; John Cowie; Tannis Dodd (Secretary);

**CC Chair** Nigel Bagshaw welcomed everyone and opened the meeting;

1. **Minutes** of last meeting 19 April 2019. The Minutes of 19 April were approved. There were no matters arising.

2. Brief reports:

a. **Police Scotland** PC Addison informed the CC of the regular surgery dates every second Tuesday at Costa Coffee in Raeburn Place at 11.00 and at the Library 12.00.

She added that there was a police presence at the Warriston Pavilion where parts of the building are unsafe and a number of youths had gathered making a nuisance.

Once again parking by trader vans in Saxe Coburg Terrace were creating a hazard and PC Matheson said the police would check the situation at the beginning of the week.

Some youths at Inverleith Park were warned after some of them wrecked chairs that the Grange Cricket club had stacked in the evening after their match event.

The police will carry out bike marking this weekend at the Inverleith Park event.

Members should phone 101 and email the police if there are problems.

b. **Councillors** related on local matters a number of issues:

Cllr Osler said that there were still problems associated with the on-line system of procuring parking permits.

Joan Beattie said that she heard that telephone boxes were being sold off for £1 but no one knew about this. It's not known how many boxes are located in the area.

"Recycling" in Cheyne St was now under control.

Cllr Osler said there were no plans currently to sell off Council depots within the parks as concern was expressed about the depot within the Inverleith Park.

Cllrs noted that the Council's influential Transport and Environment Committee TEC will be sitting tomorrow and CC members who wish to follow decisions emanating from this including parking and local emission zones issues and might wish to go online and watch the video proceedings.

Cllr Mitchell indicated some of the issues would see better use of single yellow lines and Pay and Display reviews with the intention of increasing the availability for permit holders.

c. **Chair** report: Nigel B updated everyone on the progress of the Summer Solstice event on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June where a website and Twitter account are set up. The main event will be between 12.00 till 4.00pm and there will be a briefing session for all volunteers on an evening before the event. Nigel reiterated the need to have enough volunteers in place to ensure the day went off safely and enjoyably. There were three time periods: 10-12; 12 - 3.00pm; 3.00 - 6.30pm. Stewards will be issued with recognisable outerwear.

d. **Secretary:** Tannis Dodd had sent in her apologies but asked the Chair to remind the CC that Community Council elections are required by September 2019.

The Community Council will seek to elect members for the next year and hold elections under the auspices of the Councillors. It was noted that those persons elected would have to declare their full address which will be published on the Council website. There was concern that the publishing of addresses is a practice that should be discontinued. Penny Richardson would write expressing the CC concerns to Cllr Osler who would then take the matter forward with the Council

Nigel B said that he would step down as Chair. Penny Richardson said she would stand down as the Licensing Rep on the Licensing Forum once the new constitution was in place. She was happy to continue as SICC Licensing Officer.

e. **Treasurer:** David Chamberlain stated that the current balance of the account for the Community Council stands at £13,879 in account and noted that the website hosting had been paid.

f. **Environment;** Jerry Ozaniec had prepared reports and they were circulated in advance. The Deanhaugh Path Water of Leith annual clean up date is set for 2 June 2019 and everyone is encouraged to get involved. It was suggested a poster be created to publicise the event.

There was an invite from Living Streets' Edinburgh Group to join them in a street walk round Stockbridge to identify fixed 'clutter' especially permanent items e.g. redundant poles etc. with aim of having items removed. Nigel C said he would assist Jerry in arranging a date for this.

g. **Transport:** Jerry submitted a written report and note of traffic disruptions and Footway improvements and changes have been uploaded to the website.

h. **Licensing and Planning-** Penny appraised CC members that although the new Licensing Forum constitution had been agreed it didn't seem that it was being applied, particularly in relation to the recruitment of people to the Licensing Board. She asked if the Cllrs knew if the principles were being applied.

The CC agreed that Penny continue working on draft response to the consultation on revised guidance for Licensing Boards and send this after approval by Community Council members. Penny apprised the CC the Whiskers wine bar (formerly Henri) had applied for changes to the licence for and that whilst most of the application was fair SICC agreed to object to the prospect of a late licence every day till to 2.00 am during the Festival and Festive seasons.

**Planning:** Pam Barnes updated members that there was an application to Planning to have the Dean Bar in Dean Street property (which was currently up for sale) returned to residential accommodation and this was generally welcomed.

Joan Beattie updated the CC on how plans for the Summer Solstice events were progressing including listing some of the day's participants and most of the stage events were booked.

### **Any other Business**

Penny raised the current consultation on the Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership Strategic Plan 2019 - 2022. This sets out how health and social care services will evolve in Edinburgh over the next nine years in outline and the next three years in detail. The consultation closes on 1 Jul 2019. Members were encouraged to check the Council's website . and here's the link to the online survey: <https://consultationhub.edinburgh.gov.uk/hsc/draft-strategic-plan-2019-2022/consultation/subpage.2019-03-28.4172861617/>

A new Edinburgh **Cancer Treatment centre** is being developed within the Western General Hospital and Penny was involved in ensuring that a patient centred approach was included in the plans. She added that staff who face huge emotional pressures on a regular and day in day out basis should be given support and breathing space. Examples from other countries have shown that setting aside "a stillness centre" allows for staff, patients and carers alike allows for dignified time and that the new centre should have this built in. Penny welcomed any thoughts about ideas people have about this development - she can be contacted on the SICCC Licensing email address: [licensing@stockbridgeandinverleithcc.org.uk](mailto:licensing@stockbridgeandinverleithcc.org.uk)

Local resident Sarah Boyack will once again become an MSP (for the Lothian Region) when Kezia Dugdale steps down in July; the Community Council noted this and sends Sarah congratulations!

**7.Date and time of next meeting:** Wednesday 19 June 2019 at 7.00pm.

Members of the public are welcome to attend community council meetings. If you cannot attend the meeting but wish to raise a subject, please contact the S&ICC.

The Community Council AGM is planned for and will be held at the start of the next scheduled meeting in June (19/6/19)

There won't be a CC meeting in August.

Nigel B not here next meetings so Clive Preston will chair the June meeting and anyone wishing to add items for the agenda should contact Clive on: 0131 551 1919 or mobile: 07884 910 656.

Jerry said that there was a conflict of dates ahead as the next CC meeting as the next EACC event takes place then. It was agreed that Jerry attend the EACC meeting (and report back for CC July meeting)