

# Tollcross Community Council Meeting

December 11th 2013 6.45 pm  
Tollcross Community Centre, Fountainbridge

## Minutes

1. **Present:** Paul Beswick (Chair), Andrew Brough, Andy Devenport, Chris Mcgregor, Mary Neilson, Roger Colkett, Heather Goodare, Nick Munro, Tim Puntis, Liz Summerfield, Ann Wigglesworth (Sec)., Tom Nathaniel, Brian Joyce (Brandfield Residents), Carol Finlay, Chis Wigglesworth, PC Ewan Stobie, Iain Black, Andreas Wilhelm, David Liddle, Harold Nicolson,  
**Apologies:** Angela Hull, Gina Cameron, Cllrs: Mowatt, Rankin, Corbett, Burns, Sarah BoyackMSP
2. **Corrections:** None.  
**Matters Arising:** covered by the Agenda  
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3. **Local Police Report:** PC Ewan Stobie (St. Leonards) reported no increase in crime figures for the last month. Mainly cycle thefts: House break-ins / SW.  
Warning to be aware of Cash Line frauds- especially if card does not come out.  
Report it.  
AW thanked PC Stobie for having arranged for 2 Police Officers at the Tree Lights Event and producing the key for the Tardis (power supply for the P.A.)  
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4. **Planning PB:**
  - \*Stay city (Brandfield St) needs to apply for Planning Permission for 'Change of use'. (decision of the Planning Committee, Convenor Ian Perry.)
  - \*55 Lothian Rd has applied for Class 3 licence -Patisserie/ Restaurant with late night licence.
  - \*Grove St 31/2 application for Guest House Licence refused
  - \*62/63 West Port application to join 2 premises together- refused in March; re-applied & now approved for a Late Take-away Licence. Seems to be a common route  
to getting the desired licence.
  - \*Boroughmuir School – Planning in Principle approved. Detailed plans to come .
  - \*Semple St PAN (side & rear of Lothian House) – TXCC comments submitted.
  - \*Brandfield St corner café is being converted to Stay City office; Check out if this can be done without application for 'Change of use'.
  - \*St Cuthbert's café – not clear why this closed.
  - \* Car park to be opened (temp.) on the Fountainbridge brownfield site
5. **Licensing RC:**
  - Club Rouge** application for 3a.m. Licence was refused but can re-apply in 9months rather than the usual 12 months. The meeting was surprised  
Comment was made that the plain frontage of Club Rouge was an improvement but the graphics on Bottoms –Up were very poor.
6. **Councillors ' Comments & Questions :** No Councillors present

Issues raised: **Recycling containers** are in a mess, both CEC & private. The latter are often unlocked and overflowing (Shanks & Biffa especially)

TP reported that the 13 containers at the entrance to Lochrin Place are constantly surrounded by mess including builders' rubble. None of the collectors

Seems to have any responsibility for this. The same is true of large Containers in Brougham st. Barrow & brush cleaning is effective but irregular and none existent

In some areas. **To be discussed on Jan 8<sup>th</sup> and brought to the attention of our Cllrs.**

**Bread St:** MN reported that the lights are out in the Pends: **Hopetoun Pend-** bad graffiti

## 7. South Central Neighbourhood Partnership:

### Road Project proposals:

- re-surfacing of Glengyle Terrace
- re-surfacing of Kings Theatre junction

AW requested the meeting to submit more suggestions before December 16.

### Environment & Town Centre sub group:

- recorded the need to watch that the **cycle / pedestrian access route to the canal** via the Arnold Clark site is provided- as in the Plan
- Briefing paper on Family friendly route to the Canal from Tollcross – issued to all

**Community Safety Group priorities:** priorities for the next 3 months will be:

- Safety on the Meadows
- Safe cycling
- Graffiti

Suggestions for other Priorities requested

## 8. Tree Lights Event

AW thanked the Stewarding & Refreshment teams and Andy on sound for working so well and Cllrs Main & Doran as MCs

Tollcross Primary Choir, the Gillespie's Pipe & Brass bands were all excellent; the Samba Band provided a rousing ending, and the weather was good !.

Support for Stewarding, Refreshments & Community Singing from Barclay Viewforth & Central Hall Churches was much appreciated.

Expenses so far amount to £444 so it was suggested that a donation be given to each of the schools when the final balance from the £580 sponsorship was

Clear. Meeting agreed to this.

- Printing/publicity £108:+ £58
- Refreshments £60 (+£50 Scotmid voucher & 40 Sainsburys Mince pies)
- Sound system hire & labour £200

Balance £ 150

## 9. Website update

AB reported a good hit rate and urged the meeting to visit the web site frequently. He will be refreshing it regularly so there will always be new material .

The site will soon be open for comments. He was congratulated and thanked by the Chair for having getting the site up and running so quickly.

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## 10. AOBC no time left!

### 8-845: Festive Snacks & Chat

**Next Meeting of TXCC  
Wednesday January 8<sup>th</sup> 2014 at 6.45pm  
Tollcross Community Centre, Fountainbridge**

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