

Dundee City Centre and Harbour Community Council

Minutes from August 16, 2007.

Apologies

Joe Morrow

Liz Fordyce

Kenneth Hunter

Scott Milne

Peter Haining

Attending

Jill Darling

Rene Culley

Sheena Wellington

Brian Massie

Angie Hastie

Ken Lynn

Nigel McDowell - DCC Planning and Transportation Dept

Gill Motion - DCC Leisure and Communities

Martin McLaughlin - Courier

Minutes of last months meeting were agreed (17/05/07)

Sheenas treasurer report was accepted by Brian - proposing and Jill seconding

• Wellgate Park Update

Gill Motion, CRF Worker for Central and Nigel McDowell from Planning and Transportation Dept were welcomed to the meeting. Gill/Nigel informed the group of plans for redevelopment of the Wellgate Park. A CRF grant has been approved to meet the costs of the work. The group was given an opportunity to look over the plans and make comments. It was felt that the plans would help to raise awareness of the existence of the park, open up that area more and link to city centre. Nigel gave the group a summary of the history of the park and problems that are currently being experienced. It was agreed that the redevelopment would go some way to alleviating the problems.

Group members made Nigel aware of our plans to develop a play strategy for the City Centre and asked for advice as to the best way to take this forward. It was suggested that the group put together an innovative and creative approach to play. The planning officer for the area will be asked to get in touch and the group will pursue the aims/remit etc of a newly formed Play Strategy Group within DCC and find out how we can link to this. The group will be looking at how they do as the action plan review session. Gill and Nigel were thanked for coming along and asked to keep the group informed of progress.

Tram Pole

Brian gave an update on current situation with Tram Pole.

McManus Galleries

Ken Lynn has offered to request a tour for a couple of members on the community council. He will get back to us with dates, etc.

Report from Meeting with Cllr Joe Morrow

Sheenas and Jill had an informal meeting with Joe Morrow in August to discuss issues in the city centre. The main reason for this was the childrens play areas. We discussed the possibility of Sensation museum and Stop and play areas throughout the city. It was an interesting meeting which we decided should be held every other month if possible to really go over ideas together.

Hogmanay

Friends of Wighton will be leading the celebrations this year and CC&HCC will feed into this. The group may make a donation from funds towards the cost.

Water

A request was made for water to be supplied during our meetings. These last for two hours and the water fountain was broken. It was agreed to provide refreshment like this although coffee and tea was too expensive.

Next meeting

September 20, 2007 7p.m Wellgate library