



Dundee City Centre & Harbour Community Council

GENERAL MEETING

Central Library, Wellgate Centre

Thursday 19 January 2006, 7.00PM

Minutes

In attendance

Community Council:	Robin Bremner Kenneth Hunter Dawn Marshall Brian Massie John Milne Scott Milne
Local Resident:	Peter Haining
Communities:	Jim Gordon
Councillor:	Fraser Macpherson

Welcome

Scott Milne extended a warm welcome to those present. Everyone introduced themselves to Peter Haining.

Apologies

Sheena Wellington, Liz Ross, Will Dawson

Minutes of Previous Meeting (15 December 2005)

The minutes of the previous meeting were proposed by Brian Massie, seconded by Robin Bremner.

Pre-Agenda Meeting (10 January)

Scott Milne reported on the pre-agenda meeting.

Officers' Reports

Secretary's Report – Robin Bremner reported that the AGM of the Community and Neighbourhood Representative Structure (CNRS) would be held on the 21st February 2006 at 7pm in City Chambers. Dogs Trust Charity wrote to ask if we could display their poster. Agreed to write back with regret.

Treasurer's Report – In Sheena Wellington's absence, Scott Milne reported the financial statement for the month, total funds available: £643.92.

Matters Arising	Actions
<p>Centre for Cities Report – Fraser Macpherson highlighted the key points of the Dundee Summary of this IPPR study. Scott Milne said the report could be downloaded from the DCCHCC web site.</p> <p>High Street Arcade – A recent press article regarding a proposed amusement arcade in the High Street was discussed. Fraser Macpherson advised that a Planning Application had been submitted, nothing more. Robin Bremner said he would locate the planning application.</p> <p>Clydesdale Bank – It was reported that the Clydesdale Bank would be relocating in March to the old Ottaker’s premises on the corner of the City Square. Questions were raised about the future of the old site, it was agreed that this should be covered again as/when any planning applications are put forward.</p>	<p>RB</p>
<p>1. Christmas and Hogmanay 2006 Community Councillors each gave their views on the recent Christmas & Hogmanay arrangements for the city centre. It was agreed that a general consensus could be derived from these views at a more appropriate time.</p> <p>Scott Milne proposed the formation of a sub-committee to be responsible for handling all community council business regarding Christmas & Hogmanay 2006. Robin Bremner seconded the motion, and the community council voted in favour. A date was agreed for an initial meeting to determine how the sub-committee should proceed. Thursday 2nd February at 7pm in the Old Horseshoe Bar.</p> <p>Fraser Macpherson reported that the City Council was currently in discussion over the Christmas & hogmanay celebrations and wished to consult the community council in due course.</p>	<p>(ALL)</p>
<p>2. Questionnaire Robin Bremner reported that the Questionnaire was in its final stages. Peter Haining suggested an additional question which was welcomed by the community council. Robin Bremner agreed to incorporate this into the questionnaire.</p> <p>Jim Gordon reported that there would be special project funding available to cover half the total costs of the questionnaire. The community council was asked to provide an estimate of costs and submit this to Jim Gordon.</p> <p>Jim Gordon was also investigating the possibility of using a Freepost account.</p>	<p>RB</p> <p>RB</p>
<p>3. Website Scott Milne reported on progress with the website.</p> <p>A ‘news clippings’ feature is currently underway which will involve links to relevant news items on the web, where possible. It was agreed that DC Thomson’s should be approached with regards to reproducing articles</p>	

which are not available on their web site.	SM
<p>4. Programme Scott Milne reported that Ian Bowles had been confirmed as our speaker for the February meeting. Mike Galloway had accepted the invitation to give an update on Waterfront developments. Date to be confirmed, possibly April. Scott Milne had approached Professor Charles McKean from the University of Dundee with regards to arranging a history walk, possibly on the evening of the AGM. To be confirmed</p>	<p>SM</p> <p>SM</p>
<p>5. Constitution Dawn Marshall reported back on a meeting with Matt Henderson. The community council has been provided with a model constitution and invited to accept this model constitution or propose an alternative.</p> <p>It was noted that the community council had prepared and submitted a constitution previously, but that this had somehow failed to be ratified.</p> <p>It was agreed that all community councillors should read and review both constitutions, and report back to Dawn Marshall by the next General Meeting. Dawn Marshall would then respond to Communities Dept with the community council's decision.</p>	<p>(ALL)</p> <p>DM</p>
<p>AOCB Room booking - John Milne indicated that the library conference room may not have been formally booked for the year. Robin Bremner agreed to confirm the bookings immediately after the meeting.</p> <p>Commercial Street Pavement – Fraser Macpherson reported that matters were in hand and that the appropriate public services had been contacted. Work was expected to progress soon.</p> <p>FreeView – Fraser Macpherson gave an update on the digital television situation, and said that further details were available in his recent Focus newsletter.</p> <p>Scottish Executive Discussion Paper – Scott Milne invited community councillors to read the discussion paper “What can we do to help community councils fulfil their role?” and respond to any of the questions raised therein by the next General Meeting.</p> <p>Recycling – The recycling bins for the city square had been ordered and Fraser Macpherson said he would update the community council on any progress.</p>	<p>RB</p> <p>(ALL)</p>

Date of Next Meeting

Pre-agenda Meeting – 7th February, 7pm, Horseshoe Bar

General Meeting – 16th February, 7pm, Central Library Conference Room, Speaker: Ian Bowles, DUNCAN Safe City Initiative.