

DUNDEE CITY CENTRE AND HARBOUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Thursday 17 April 2008, Central Library
Notes of Meeting

In attendance Councillor Joe Morrow
 Brian Massie
 Rene Culley
 Sheena Wellington
 Angie Hastie
 Jake Reid
 James Nicoll
 Carol Vaughan

Apologies Councillor Ken Lynn
 Councillor Fordyce
 Mike Galloway (Planning & Transportation)
 Les Banks (Planning & Transportation)
 Jill Darling

1. Welcome and apologies

Brian welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting

Note of last meeting was agreed.

3. Matters arising

Waterfront Questionnaire - Brian to put finishing touches to questionnaire.

4. Office bearers reports

SW prepared and distributed the monthly treasurer report.

5. Mike Galloway - Annual Waterfront Update

Brian apologised to the meeting (particularly the people who attended solely on this basis) and explained that last minute apologies were given on behalf of Mike Galloway who couldn't make it to this meeting. Les Banks hand delivered the new DVD of the waterfront and AH showed this to the group. It was agreed to reschedule the Update with Mike for the AGM on 16th June 2008.

Initial thoughts were of disappointment that there wasn't a lot of change since the last one.

Road Network

There was a very full discussion and the meeting concluded that the DVD is misleading with regard to the 5 lanes of traffic and Community Council worried that people aren't aware of the volume of traffic around the central waterfront site. It was felt that serious redirection of traffic is needed. It was highlighted that there have been major changes to the original plan e.g. the planned roundabout which has now changed. The main issue with the project being the traffic system/traffic management.

Building Plots around the Civic Space

It was noted that the buildings on the walk-through are symbolic rather than actual plans. Danzig Dansk, the Baltic waterfront, was highlighted as an example of non-monolithic buildings with a variety of heights and design that could be adopted. The community council would like to see variety, creativity and architectural significance around the civic space.

Previous Consultation

The consultation carried out in 2000 by planning department highlighted people's wish for leisure and visitor attractions with residential and office provision being the bottom two. It was noted that this does not seem to have been taken on board.

Other City Centre Traffic Issues

Pedestrianisation was accepted as a good idea in the city centre but there are problems with the Commercial St pedestrian zone. Drivers are still not recognising this and not giving way to people and buses and taxis are travelling at high speeds. It was felt that this is an accident waiting to happen. The community council would like to see zebra crossing like Lochee High Street and may campaign for this in the future.

Seagate/Marks & Spencer. There continues to be problems with speeding traffic, particularly buses. The community council had written to Mike Galloway on this issue and feel that the problem was dismissed. The group will raise this issue with MG at the rescheduled update.

6. Policing Issues

There was no one in attendance at the meeting and no apologies received.

7. Issues arising from Wishart Place Resident Association

There was no one in attendance from the group and no issues forwarded on.

8. AOCB

No other business.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is on Thursday 15th May 2008 at 7pm in Central Library . The AGM is on 19th June 2008. Plans for the AGM were discussed briefly and will be discussed further at the next committee meeting on Tuesday 6th May 2008.

