



Drumchapel Thriving Places

Breakfast & Blether

Tuesday 13th June 2023

10am

Phoenix Hall

5 Monymusk Place, G15 8JH

Minutes

Attendance:

Jillian Fearnside – Kingsridge Cleddans HA

Paul Cairns – SDS

Deborah Lynch – DYW

Neda Arshad – Drumchapel High School

Valerie Wilkie – JBG

Alex Kerr – VINE

Liz Atkinson – KCEDG/ Drumchapel Foodbank

Emma McShane – Cernach HA

Lorraine Rea – Drumchapel United

Lamont Howie – Orchard Community Trust/St Mark's Church

Helen Boland – GCC

Hilary Proverbs – Skills Development Scotland

Andy Lynch – DCC

Gillian Pollock – Drumchapel CAB
Lynn Lovelock – NWGVSN
Dougie Taylor – Drumchapel Life
Tracy Anderson – Glasgow Sport
Eric Duncan – NWHIT
Linda Hendry – GCC
Adekemi Giwa – The Play Center Glasgow
Julia Laphorn – GCC
Andy Corletto – GCC Planning
Ted Scanlon – Thriving Places
James Trolland – Sustainable Drumchapel
Helen Thompson – DCC
Sharon Colvin – 3D Drumchapel
Eric Flack – Blairdardie/Old Drumchapel CC
Hannah Goring – Drumchapel Jobcentre
Moirra Gremminger – Drumchapel Jobcentre
John Docherty – Bill Kidd MSP
Jonny Howes – Glasgow Life
Frank John – New Hope Community
Charles Bailey – Thriving Places
Brian Mcquillan – GCPP
Mhairi Shepherd – NWHIT
David Campbell – Fortune Works
Gregor Ritchie – Men Matter Scotland
Tracy McKenzie – Thriving Places
Michelle Donaldson – Thriving Places
Susan Grant – University of Glasgow

1. Welcome:

Eric – Thanked everyone for attending and asked everyone to briefly introduce themselves.

2. P.M.G.C. Presentation: Julia Laphorn & Jonathan Pickering

Jonathan – Shared GCC’s presentation and explained what each slide suggested. He explained that there is different understandings when we talk about community hubs, but the one they are thinking of for Drumchapel is a single location from which multiple council and other partner services will be delivered. There is £20 million set aside for community hubs but it is not as simple as dividing the money equally between each hub. The community hubs fund has £20 million of capital investment for community hubs in six wards. Drumchapel is different from other hubs as it already has different facilities already there. We are looking for a viable site but about regeneration around the shopping centre. The hub is for people to go into, not only services. We looked at consultations and reports that were conducted over the last 30 years. Improving Drumchapel Shopping centre was identified as a key priority. Maps were shown of council owned buildings in the shopping centre and the walking distance around the area. Jonathan explained that the Town Centre has been moved due to the location of Aldi. Drumchapel Town Hall has three phases, phase 1. Will be converting the existing front of Garscadden House which will include the library. Phase 2. Hecla square, after relocating the library to Garscadden House we will look at populating the town centre with affordable housing and creating a safer, nicer place to be. Phase 3. Further improvements to public space and road layout. The next steps – LDF is a working progress, we are keen to do workshops about co-design in the town hall. Andy – When we done the survey, Garscadden House was mentioned but also sub-areas to help build communities. Opening times was also mentioned, people want it opened 7 days a week and not 9 till 5. Liz – I agree, I’ve worked in Drumchapel for many years. Dalsetter has 55 units and employ over 400 people. I have never noticed that being the centre. Jonathan – I think your right, for me this is back to not about buildings but is about location, the financial landscape has changed. AL – If we want to grow the population there will be a demand for more centre’s etc and Garscadden House won’t meet the demand. Eric– I think there needs to be more explanation and definition about what community space etc. You mentioned churches but they need money to repair and maintain themselves. Jonathan – We are thinking what the best way is of feeding back to people. Other facilities around the area, some are GCC and some aren’t but there are funds out there. James – This year is Drumchapel’s 70th birthday. Drumchapel was owned and controlled by GCC and is not anymore. Therefore, it is a Drumchapel that is evolving. What hasn’t happened Very well as we are being told “we are not telling you”. People are educated more and are basically not having that. Eric – So going forward you need to be more transparent and inclusive. Helen – There is talk about what has been taken away i.e. IT training but it has not been replaced, there is a big problem of trying to get people to travel outside Drumchapel.

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3. Local Development Framework: Andy Corletto

The LDF is focused on three areas in the city, Drumchapel – Pollock – Central Southside and has been worked on for a while. It is looking at the long-term vision for the area. We look at wider strategies and the public get to comment and flag up. I will

email everyone, and you can tell us what you think then we feed back to the Scottish Government. Ted – Does PMGC hub fit in with the LDF? Andy – Yes. Brian – Trying to develop a system that public engagement can tie in with each other and maybe be the autumn. Eric – With Thriving Places moving out from the strategy what does that mean for locality planning?

Andy - £1million was allocated to ward 14 but no-one seems to know where/why it is. Linda – I hope we are in a position to decide what the community needs. Lynn – There is a difference of approach. Others have used the money without consultation. It's up to you as representatives to spend it, you don't need a consultation. Andy – The Community Council have to ask the community what they want to spend the money on.

4. Thriving Places Update?

- Refugee Week – Charles – From the 16th of June till the 25th of June it is Scottish refugee week. I spoke with DHS about we journey together which discusses 4 refugees journey and they will be going into the school to deliver a workshop in partnership with Mhari and Nasraa from NWHIT. On the 26th of June is the event in the shopping centre. We are working with New Hope Community and Friendship house to deliver a fun day for everyone to attend. Eric – New Hope Community was Drumchapel Asian Forum and have now changed their name.
- Activate – Michelle – The award ceremony was at Glasgow University. 10 people signed up to do the course and 8 have signed up to do a BA in community development. Eric – how many was it last time? Michelle – 2 people. John how much does this cost? Michelle - £4,500.
- Collective Update: - Ted – A group of organisations came together regarding the Community Centre. We heard about Manor view wanting to take it over and we wanted to keep it in the community. There was three expressions of interest, 3D Drumchapel, Play Center and the Collective. Looking at what the hub is and a community centre can become and how it fits. After this presentation today we will meet again to discuss. We were thinking about the £20million and if it could be shared in some way.

5. A.O.C.B.

Andy – There is an event in the park on the 15th of July to celebrate Drumchapel's 70th birthday. DCC have organised a health walk and it will start at 9am. Each participant will be welcomed to the park with a piper and each person will receive a medal for taking part.

Moir – There is a jobs fair in St Marks Church on Friday 28th of June from 10am till 1pm.

Lamont – The café for the Orchard Trust is open every Saturday.

6. D.O.N.M.

Agreed that it will be in August

