Minutes of the 389th Meeting of the Portobello Community Council held on 31st January 2022 AGREED

Present:, Lee Kindness (Co-Chair), Stephen Hawkins (Treasurer)(PAS), Frazer McNaughton, Catherine Etoe (B&RRA), Laurie Berrie, Miranda Hurst, Esther Clayton, Elaine Murray

Apologies: Craig McIntyre (Co-chair), Geoff Lynn (Towerbank PS), , Tommy Sheppard MP,

In Attendance Cllr. Kate Campbell, Cllr Mary Campbell, Cllr. Maureen Child, Cllr. Callum Laidlaw and members of the public

389.1 Chair's Welcome & Introductions

Lee Kindness welcomed everyone and there were introductions. Lee explained how the meeting would work as it was online and if anyone wanted to say something to raise a virtual hand and we would work through the questions and statements.

389.2 Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising

ACTION: Mike Leeman would follow up with CEC to get an update on the installation of double yellow lines on Southfield Place.

The minutes for the January Meeting were agreed.

389.3 The George

The George application had been refused. Lee Kindness provided PCC input into the Development Management Sub-committee hearing.

389.4 LTN information and discussion on Portobello Traffic Issues

Lee Kindness presented a few slides of possible traffic management scenarios as an opening proposal for a wider discussion on traffic issues in Portobello.

There was a wide ranging conversation between Community Councillors, Elected Members and members of the public exploring the issues and opportunities arising from a closer look at traffic management in Portobello. While there was no conclusions drawn, it was agreed to continue the conversation at a future date and PCC would look to link in with on-going transport work in the city through the Mobility Plan and other related strategies including the emerging Council led work on 20 minute neighbourhoods.

389.5 a Treasurer's Report

There have been no items of expenditure or income during the month so the balance remains at £ 2.298.81.

There has been no movement on the Traders' account other than an additional monthly penny interest leaving a balance of £1205.44.

389.5 b Police

- 5 house break-ins in the last month
- No hate crimes
- 2 nuisance call incidents
- No bike thefts
- On-going youth engagement

On-going enquiries to the disappearance of Alice Byrne

389.5 c Planning

- Electric charging points were to be installed on Kings Place
- A revised application for the Boathouse had been received

389.5 d Councillors

Nothing from the Councillors this month

389.5 e Seafield

- The process for the planning and design of the Seafield area as outlined in the City Plan 2030 was beginning to get underway. This will consist of a two stage process of the preparation of Place Brief and then a Masterplan for the proposed allocation, with the intention that future development would need to accord to the principles that are agreed.
- The 4 Community Councils in the area (Craigentinny and Meadowbank, Leith Links, Leith Harbour and Newhaven and Portobello) are jointly leading the process in partnership with the Council. A Memorandum of understanding would be agreed.
- There is also a Sounding Board that is intended to be an information sharing and discussion
 platform to allow Community interests, landowners and developers, political representatives
 and others to discuss the project. Action Porty had recently joined the Sounding Board. PCC
 will post minutes of Sounding Board meetings on our website

389.6 AOB

- The painting of the community noticeboards had been agreed with a contractor and work would proceed when the weather allowed
- There was discussion on the work to transform the Joppa Pumping Station into Joppa Rocks restaurant

The next meeting is Monday 28th February 2022