

NORTHFIELD AND WILLOWBRAE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting 3 November 2016: 18:00 Northfield Community Centre

Present:

Sarah Cleary
 Paul Dunleavey
 Dave Ferguson
 Gordon Macdonald
 Nick Marshall
 Ian Murray
 John Nisbet
 Geoff Pearson
 Samantha Rutherford
 Lorraine Simpson
 Nick Weech
 Bill Whyte
 Charlie Wood

Ex Officio:

Alex Lunn Councillor, City of Edinburgh
 Stefan Tymkewycz Councillor, City of Edinburgh

One member of the public was present.

Part 1: Election of Office Bearers

1. Councillor Lunn, as Returning Officer, confirmed the election of 13 members to the Community Council. No voluntary groups had registered an interest in nominating a member.
2. He then oversaw the election of office bearers, with a unanimous vote for each. Those appointed were:

Office	Nominated	Proposer	Second
Chair	Lorraine Simpson	Nick Marshall	Bill Whyte
Treasurer	Nick Weech	Sam Rutherford	Charlie Wood
Secretary	Geoff Pearson	Sarah Cleary	Gordon Macdonald
Auditor	Carys Macdonald	John Nisbet	Charlie Wood

Part 2: Meeting of Community Council

3. The Chair then opened the meeting of the Community Council by thanking the Returning Officer and invited each member to introduce themselves and their interests in the work of the Community Council.

Adoption of Constitution and Standing Orders

4. The Community Council unanimously agreed to adopt the model constitution and standing orders offered by the City Council.

Meeting Dates

5. The Community Council agreed that it should meet in November, January, March, May, August and September, with an AGM held in May. A Calendar of dates would be published.

6. It was agreed that the work of the Community Council would probably require sub-groups on specific issues, with planning, cycling and green issues likely topics. This would be considered further at the next meeting.

Nominations to Other Bodies

7. The Community Council unanimously agreed to elect John Nisbet as Vice-chair and Ian Murray to be nominated to represent Community Council at the Neighbourhood Partnership Environment Forum.

8. The nomination to the Neighbourhood Partnership Board would be considered at a future date.

9. The Community Council agreed that the Secretary should be its representative at the Edinburgh Association of Community Councils.

Treasurer's Report

10. The City Council had confirmed that it holds £3,347.06 from the previous community council which can be transferred once a new bank account has been opened.

Secretary's Report

11. A wide-ranging discussion took place on how the Community Council would operate, how it would link to the Neighbourhood Partnership and its sub-groups, and how it would engage with the community.

Date of Next Meeting

12. The next meeting would be 26 January at 19.30 in the Northfield Community Centre.

13. The Chair closed the meeting at 19.30.

Geoff Pearson
Secretary

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

2016-17	New Session
3 November	1st Meeting 18:00 Northfield
15 November	Community Safety Forum 14:30 Restalrig
17 November	Community Engagement meeting 14:00 -17:00 Meadowbank Stadium
21 November	Health and Well-being 10:00 Northfield
26 November	Edinburgh Association of Community Councils AGM 10.00 -12.30 City Chambers
3 December	Community Council Welcome Session 10.00 -12.00 City Chambers
13 December	Environment Forum 14:30 Restalrig
26 January	2nd Meeting
23 March	3rd Meeting
4 May	<i>Council elections</i>
25 May	4th Meeting and AGM
24 August	5th Meeting
28 September	6th Meeting