Merchiston Community Council

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING of MERCHISTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL Tuesday 15th November 2022 at 19.00 by Zoom

Chaired by Ian Doig, Chair of Merchiston Community Council (MCC)

Started: 19:00

Ended: 21:25

Attending:

MCC members: Ian Doig (ID, *Chair)*, Vivien Kitteringham (VK, *Vice-Chair, Minutes)*, Frances Hawarden (FH, *Treasurer)*, Roma Menlowe (RMe*)*, Bridget Stevens (BS), Joan Houston (JH), Ewan Klein (EK), Amelie Haag, (AH, *Associate member for Boroughmuir High School*), Raina Bergasse (RB), John McKenna (JMcK).

CEC Ward Councillors: Cllr Neil Ross (NR, *LibDem, Morningside Ward*), Cllr Christopher Cowdy (CC, *Conservative, Fountainbridge-Craiglockhart Ward*)

Residents: Eleanor Logan (EL), David Leslie (DL), Brian Robertson (BR), Margaret McKenzie (MM), Mary Breatnach (MB), Ian Pattison (IP), Ross Maclean (RMac)

Welcome (ID)

PRESENTATION: ***Supporting Communities During Stressful Times.***
Bridie Ashrowan, Chief Executive of EVOC (Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations' Council) (BA)

Two Sections: 1. Optimism – community wealth building - and **2.** Challenges.

1. Optimism: BA Refers to the Community Wealth Building (CWB) Bill coming through Scottish Parliament next year, the relevant working group in Edinburgh and the opportunities for MCC to play a role, e.g., through community involvement in planning and community empowerment more widely. Community Councils (CCs) might influence upcoming developments (forecast £2.7 billion in Edinburgh in next 5 years) towards community wealth building by e.g. supporting investment in green skills and jobs in areas of work poverty or influencing procurement towards local supply chains. BA refers to several grants and bodies helping to make financial power work locally in Edinburgh and improvements already being made in terms of fair work in the city.
Edinburgh Community Planning Partnership (ECPP) is keen to remove barriers to community use of property and can address barriers to this, and CCs can access this help. Communities should also be involved in determining what success looks like and how it can be assessed. Need for more active community planning, resilient communities and "thriving communities" emphasised. CEC's participatory budgeting programmes and recent CEC strategy of achieving "20-minute neighbourhoods" were positive developments.

2. Challenges: Long-term strategies by UK and Scottish governments and by public services are needed, not merely short-term actions. Increased demands on all services by a wide range of groups because of the permacrisis of war, refugees, poverty, Brexit etc. An important key is investment in health and well-being of all involved, but big problems include grants no longer reflecting current costs, loss of staff and many more. EVOC's approach and their Regenerative Futures Fund Project are outlined. Developing and mapping local networks of organisations working together should be a goal and CCs could be at the heart of them. Need to invest more resources in health and wellbeing were important priorities. Warm spaces initiatives are being set up.

Discussion: Q: How can this relate to net zero? A: If plans are made with communities' involvement they should encourage green jobs and skills and investment in local people and businesses, possibly via local hubs. MCC could map a local ecosystem of relevant organisations and businesses in our area.
Comment: Cllr Ross refers to necessary engagement between CEC planners and residents in conservation areas to help them improve energy efficiency of their homes. BA suggests this is an opportunity to engage local people and establish networks between existing interested parties. Comment: It's worth looking at the Wellbeing Economy Alliance website (https://weall.org/)
Q: How can MCC apply these ideas to known local development plans? A: This really requires the mapping of local organisations to be in place and working together with local development trusts, then gradually working towards communities gaining more influence on development
Comment: EH: We need to embed local influence into CEC planning to achieve enhanced social value in our urban environment.
ID: It is frustrating that CEC council officers and also developers do not always take community councils views sufficiently seriously.

BUSINESS MEETING:

1. **Introduction - Ian Doig, MCC Chair**

   Apologies for Absence:
   MCC: Mairianna Clyde, Daniel Cairns (*Secretary*), Helen Zealley
   CEC Councillors: David Key, Marie-Claire Munro, Ben Parker
   Daniel Johnson MSP
   Ian Murray MP

   Declarations of Interest None declared

2. **Minutes of Public Meeting of 18th October** Approved unanimously
   Matters Arising - None

3. **Chair's Report** (appended) ID summarised his report, covering:
   - Tough economic times and numerous problems are increasingly facing our communities;
   - Associate members from local schools: Amelie Lacey and Henry Reynolds from George Watson's have agreed to join us for a further year; Amelie Haag and Sam Moore are associate members from Boroughmuir High. MCC is still waiting for a nomination from Steiner School.
   - EACC: Large "caravan structures", which are really semi-permanent buildings up to 60 feet long, have been found to be exempt from planning permission because of a planning loophole and have started to appear in gardens in the Grange recently. EACC is monitoring this, **please identify any cases in our neighbourhood**.
   - CEC's Scheme for Community Councils will be reviewed in 2024; review is likely to include CC boundaries and number of CCs.
   - Data Protection Obligations**: EACC strongly advises all CCs to register with the Information Commissioner's Office, based on advice from CEC.**

4. **Planning Report** from MC. ID read out her Planning Report in her absence:
   - Applications are live for a couple of short-term lets (STLs) in flats. MC will object to these on behalf of MCC. The whole of Edinburgh is now an STL (short-term let) control area and the assumption is against STLs in stairs, unless already operating for 10+ years. **It was agreed that MCC supports objecting to the STLs identified but wishes to see the wording of the objection before submission.**
   - Dalton's scrapyard – The planning application for a large number of flats on this site has made some minor changes, mainly in regard to providing a step-free access to the canal. **It is suggested that individuals scrutinise and consider commenting on the new application version and that MC**

will reiterate concerns of MCC as an official objection.
- 8a Napier Road – CEC Planning Portal states: "*Application under Section 42 to remove condition 3 that the flue as shown is not approved from planning consent 21/05149/FUL (as amended). Status: withdrawn".*
- Canalside Development is still a live application and under consideration by CEC.

Cllr NR**: A consultation on STL planning guidance is open on the CEC website until 22 December**.
- An application for a 5G telecom mast near James Gillespie Primary School and the positioning of 5G masts more generally were discussed briefly. BS: We need more information on 5G masts.

Cllr CC: CC stated that he understood that Dalton's scrapyard had applied to CEC for renewal of its scrapyard licence. Decision had not yet been determined and will be decided by CEC Licensing Sub Committee on 5 December. CC will follow this up via the Licensing Committee.
[*Post-meeting update received from CEC on 5th December 2022: "The application was fully discussed and refused by Committee. The applicant has 28 days in which to lodge an appeal and, if they do so, can continue to operate until such time as the appeal is determined"].*

CC has also referred the planning application to the CEC Development Sub-committee to ensure further scrutiny and will keep MCC informed. JMcK: The site is a magnet for vandalism and needs a plan for the transition from scrapyard to development.

5. **Licensing Report** – BS, *Licensing Lead* (appended)
- A useful update to Community Council guidance notes re Licensing and summary of the licensing process can be found at https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/downloads/file/32049/community-council-guidance-notes p.33
- The first stage of a two-part consultation seeking views on topics including current licensing hours, extension of licensed hours, children and young persons' access, temporary licensing (occasional licences) and over-provision closes on 20 December at https://consultationhub.edinburgh.gov.uk/cg/licensing-board-policy-consultation/
- BS reported complaints about smoke from Dalton's scrapyard to CEC and was referred to SEPA (Scottish Environment Protection Agency), which she will now contact. Any **neighbours of the yard bothered by noise or odours emanating from it should also email ELB@sepa.org**, copying in Dermot Connelly, Environmental Health Team Leader at CEC with responsibilities for Environmental Protection, whose email address is asknoise@edinburgh.gov.uk
- The Licensing Board has agreed the Extended Hours period for the 2022 festive season from 18 December 2022 to 3 January 2023 (inclusive).

6. **Polwarth Pavements Project** – RMe and JMcK (appended)
RMe reported a very good response to the online and leaflet survey of residents' views. A small stall on 12th-13th November allowed residents to give their views and gain information. Most were concerned about the Polwarth roundabout and wanted improvements and several accidents or near-misses were recounted, but few had been reported to Police.
With help from Cllr. Ben Parker, data from previous traffic counts were being obtained and a new count has been commissioned for this week. Coaching from Planning Aid Scotland (PAS) (in line with the grant from CEC) on community engagement will feed into data handling and reporting on the survey and traffic data, which will be reported on the MCC website. Further work will be undertaken if and as these findings suggest. It is intended to have an in-depth discussion at the January or February 2023 MCC public meeting to discuss the findings and recommendations emerging from this project

7. **Leaf Clearing Project 2022** – JH and HZ (appended)
49 Volunteers have received leaf collecting bags with instructions for an uplift of filled bags, 36

reported filled bags. A total of 605 bags have been reported so far, and uplifted by the Council plus some unreported bags, and some bags have been used as leaf compost locally. Individual volunteers have filled between 1 and 148 bags! Because of the work the Merchiston volunteers are doing, CEC has undertaken several gutter-clearing sessions in the area with a mechanical sweeper. These activities are all very welcome.
It is proposed to hold a thank-you reception for volunteers. *(Post meeting note: Reception will be on Sunday4th December in Polwarth Church Hall)*

8. **Treasurer's Report** - FH (appended)
Summary: A cheque today to RMe for the Polwarth Pavements Project expenses for £293 (from the CEC Community Grant for this project) leaves a healthy balance of £6.5k, which we could consider putting to good use locally.

ID: 3 suggestions for suitable projects:
1. Proposal for a **replacement for the MCC Noticeboard at Margiotta's in Harrison Gardens, for up to £300 was approved. Proposer ID, seconder JH. VK to take this forward.**
2. Proposal for **thank-you reception for leaf-clearing volunteers for up to £200 was approved. Proposer ID, seconder JMcK. JH and HZ to take this forward.**
3. MC has suggested donations to a local foodbank at Christ Church, Holy Corner. **Proposal for 3 monthly instalments @ £50 (Dec.- Feb.) totalling £150 was approved. Proposer ID, seconder VK. MC to take this forward**

9. **City Councillors' Reports**:
Cllr Neil Ross:
- The STL (short-term lets) licensing policy is now in place and can be viewed on CEC website. Planning permission is needed for STLs not the owner's main residence and a licence is required for any STL, including home-sharing.
- Warrender Swim Centre is reopening soon and hiring staff.
- City Fibre are working in our area which may cause some disruption because of digging up roads and pavements.
- Consultation is online to require licence holders of HMOs to provide the Council with an emergency contact number and give neighbour notifications every year, rather than every 3 years
- Christmas lights to be switched on at Holy Corner Wed. 7th December 5pm. BS: **Bruntsfield Traders asks MCC to publicise their local shopping evening, the same evening as the switch-on.**

Cllr Christopher Cowdy (CC):
- CC met with street cleansing officer and accompanied a street cleaning shift and deep clean of Yeaman Place and Bryson Rd. and has checked regularly since that it's maintained.
- Has contacted CEC officers for bollards at foot of Yeaman Place to be removed as an obstruction after complaints from residents.
- Has been pushing for bridges in Colinton Dell to be repaired.

10. **Issues Raised by Residents** (open forum discussion):
- David Leslie, Chair of Grove Garden, asked about permission to garden at Bonaly Hall (corner of Harrison Place/Harrison Gardens) for more than one season. (The building now belongs to Get2Gether, a local charity). MCC has no information about this. DL suggests MCC might be able to get involved at an early stage in considering the future use of the building.
- Ian Pattison: expresses concern about replacement of the tree recently blown down on Napier University property. **JH agreed to contact the principal** (again) about the tree problems at Napier on behalf of Mr Pattison and MCC.

11. **Other Reports and Correspondence** None

12. Any Other Business None

13. Future Meetings: The upcoming internal meeting will use Teams as an experiment, with a view to possibly moving over future public meetings to Teams instead of Zoom, with which problems have been experienced. Future public meeting dates are:

17th Jan, 21st Feb, 21st March, 16th May, 20th June 2023.

Merchiston Community Council

Chair's Report – November 2022

1. Overview – Numerous problems are increasingly facing our communities. A new term coined is "polycrisis", meaning multi-faceted long-lasting problems and uncertainty, where multiple interacting global crises produce greater harms to the planet and humanity than those crises would produce in isolation.

   Anything that Merchiston Community Council (MCC) can do to support our local communities would be welcome; MCC however has no staff and only a very small annual grant from CEC. The most constructive role that MCC can play is to act as a catalyst, working with City of Edinburgh Council (CEC), voluntary groups and other public services organisations to support our communities.

   Financial and staffing problems (outlined below) will undoubtedly reduce the capacity of public services and there is a growing role for charities and other community groups to support residents and families, especially the most vulnerable.

   MCC has therefore arranged a presentation and discussion led by Bridie Ashrowan, EVOC Chief Executive, for its November public meeting to discuss actions to support communities during these stressful times.

   MCC is an entirely non-political organisation. However, it is generally recognised that the UK economy is now on the verge of an economic recession. Inflation has escalated to around 10%, with cost of living now at the highest level for many years (especially food costs and imports), rocketing energy costs, increasing mortgage and borrowing costs because of increases in bank base rates, and to add to the financial problems, supply chain disruption and shortages. There are also risks of energy supply blackouts over the winter. Increasing range of strikes are threatened because 10% inflation is rapidly eroding the real value of employees' wages. Food banks are facing record levels of demand. In addition, there are certain to be some businesses that will become insolvent and collapse with consequent job losses, because of increased operating costs and reductions in customers' budgets, especially squeezing "discretionary spending".

   In Health and Social Care, communities continue to face Covid and Flu risks, reduced A and E and other NHS waiting list and capacity problems and staff shortages.

   The above many-faceted problems are increasing demand pressures and costs on public services, but not increasing their income. To compound increasing demand costs facing public services, the Chancellor of the Exchequer is facing a £60 billion deficit throughout the UK; therefore, the public is also facing a mix of increased taxes and large reductions in public services budgets; impact not yet clarified but likely to be severe and long-lasting.

As a result, there are certain to be severe cuts to budgets for all public services - Local Authority services, Health and Social Care, Police, Fire, Courts, Prisons, Universities and Colleges, and every other part of our public services.

Cuts in public services inevitably have adverse consequences! There is growing evidence of public acceptance that citizens will have to pay more in taxes in future to facilitate acceptable standards of public services; albeit with no consensus about on whom increased taxes and cuts in service budgets should fall.

1. **Associate Members for 2022-23:**
   – George Watson's College Associates - Amelie Lacey & Henry Reynolds, both serving for a second year as Associates.

- Boroughmuir High School Associates - Amelie Haag and Sam Moore.

- Steiner School nomination for an Associate is awaited – reminder sent.

2. **EACC (Edinburgh Association of Community Councils**) - Issues discussed at EACC's 27th October meeting included:

- **Large "Caravan" Structures Exempt from Planning Permission** – EACC has identified a potential development problem which is not covered by any planning permission consents – i.e., very large structures within the definition of "moveable caravans" can be installed in residential gardens. An EACC briefing note is available.

  These are not the normal domestic travelling caravans but huge semi-permanent structures of up to 20 metres/60 feet long (length of several shipping containers) which do not require ANY planning permission whatever. Such structures could be installed in a residential garden (or elsewhere?) and used as a home office, granny house, "party house" or other uses.

  Some commercial firms are already advertising that they can install these large "moveable structures" in residential gardens without requiring any planning permission. There have been a couple of cases in Edinburgh (in the Grange) identified so far but are likely to increase. EACC would welcome reports of cases.

  Bringing these very large "caravan" structures within the planning consent system would unfortunately require legislation by the Scottish Parliament, probably on an all-Scotland basis rather than just CEC; such legislation seems unlikely at present.

- **Review of Community Councils -** EACC has heard that CEC intends to review its current *Scheme for Community Councils,* probably around 2024. The exercise is likely to include reviewing the number of community councils (46 at present), boundaries of CCs (several including MCC straddle 2 CEC Electoral Wards, which

causes various problems), and the role for community councils across Edinburgh.

- **Data Protection Obligations and Registration with the Information Commissioner's Office –** This issue was recently discussed at MCC's October meeting and consideration is ongoing. A helpful EACC briefing note was circulated to all community councils, which states: *"Community Councils and EACC are data handlers and data controllers, and the nature of our varied correspondence means that strict firewalls are not an option. Accordingly, the CEC Information Guidance Unit requires that community councils should have in place a suitable framework to ensure data protection principles are in place and are followed. There is strong advisory that they should register with the Information Commissioner's Office (Fee £40 per year".*

  I suggested at the EACC October meeting that EACC that might devise common protocols for all the community councils across Edinburgh; however, this suggestion was not supported on the basis that it would be impossible to cover the different circumstances in different community councils. Instead, it was suggested that EACC could request that updated advice from CEC on Data Protection protocols and obligations be incorporated in the review of community councils (mentioned above).

- Background - EACC is an independent forum for all 46 Edinburgh community councils. I attend EACC meetings as MCC's representative. EACC's AGM will take place on 24th November. AGM meeting will be open to members of the public, using Teams instead of the previous Zoom.

  MCC voted at its October public meeting to reappoint the current 4 EACC Office Bearers. MCC also nominated me as a MCC's candidate in the elections for the new EACC Board. I have therefore submitted my name for election to the EACC Board.

3. Chair's Meetings:

- 27th October - EACC Business Meeting
- 3rd November - SW Locality Community Planning Partnership (LCPP)
- 7th November - MCC Internal Meeting
- 10th November - EACC Steering Group
- 17th November – Cockburn Association – Edinburgh's Common Good Fund
- 5th December – SW Community Grants Fund Panel

Ian Doig. Merchiston CC Chair. November 2022.

LICENSING REPORT FOR MCC 15 November 2022

1. The two applications (Bruntsfield Hotel and 59 Slateford Road) discussed by MCC at our September meeting and in respect of which we submitted qualified support, were both granted by the Licensing Board.

2. CEC has issued Updates to Community Council Guidance Notes - Licensing Process. I am informed by Marcos Martinez, Governance Officer, Democracy, Governance and Resilience, Legal & Assurance, Corporate Services, that the main aspects of the document which concern community councils are a change to the contact address details, and a general refresh of the information provided in relation to the service in general. Also a summary of how the Licensing Board and the sub committee handle applications, objections etc. The document is useful in that it forms part of current community-council-guidance-notes (edinburgh.gov.uk)

3. The first stage of a two-part consultation is underway (the Licensing Board is required to review its Policy every five years), seeking views on topics including current licensing hours, extension of licensed hours, children and young persons' access, temporary licensing (occasional licences) and over-provision. This "informal" consultation closes on 20 December.
https://consultationhub.edinburgh.gov.uk/cg/licensing-board-policy-consultation/

4. I've been in touch with Licensing recently in connection with a report from Roma that Dalton's scrapyard has been burning materials in his yard. While his licence allows him to trade as a scrap metal merchant, the general conditions associated with this type of licence state that "There shall be no burning of materials allowed on the premises." My/Roma's complaint has been passed on to the Environment Protection Team (responsible for odours and noise) who emailed as follows: "Daltons hold a waste management licence which is issued and enforced by SEPA and concerns related to smoke fall within the remit of this licence". I am now to contact SEPA direct. Any neighbours of the yard who are bothered by noise or odours emanating from it should do likewise: email ELB@sepa.org, copying in Dermot Connelly, Environmental Health Team Leader with responsibilities for Environmental Protection, whose email address is asknoise@edinburgh.gov.uk

4. Extended hours - festive period 2022/23
The Licensing Board has agreed that the Extended Hours period for the 2022 festive season will operate from 18 December 2022 to 3 January 2023 (inclusive). This means that premises with Seasonal Variations in their operating plans may trade an additional two hours on sales during that period.

5. Permission has been refused for a rave planned to take place at Ingliston next month.

Bridget Stevens
MCC Licensing Lead

UPDATE ON POLWARTH PAVEMENT PROJECT: NOVEMBER 2022

- It's been a busy month!

- With the benefit of input from local residents, and thanks to sterling work by Ewan and John, MCC launched a survey on 4 November – in both leaflet and online form – to invite views from local residents and businesses on the Polwarth roundabout.

- Here is the link to the online form - https://forms.gle/aQ9MFakBCkPBEmA38. We will take responses until the end of November. The colourful leaflet asks the same questions; copies are available in many of the businesses near the roundabout, especially Margiotta, Iona's Dressmaking, and Piece Box. John and I have delivered 200+ into letterboxes and businesses. We have given supplies to Bruntsfield Primary School, the Fountainbridge Canal Development Trust, Ker Court, and local businesses. Our project has been highlighted in Spokes' Facebook page.

- Our impression is that people prefer to use the online version of the survey: the leaflets are moving slowly. In the first week of the survey, there were close to 50 responses.

- Over the weekend of 12 & 13 November, John and I put up a small MCC 'stall' near Margiotta and invited people to pick up a leaflet if they were interested in the project. Cllr Ben Parker joined the stall on Saturday. We listened to residents' views and offered information about MCC. (Many local residents said they had never heard of the community council – if it achieves nothing else, this project will have put MCC in the minds of quite a few.) The great majority of those who stopped to talk were concerned about the roundabout and wanted to see improvements.

- Several residents recounted accidents and near misses. One 80+ year old, still a cyclist, was knocked off his bike twice on the roundabout. One student reported near misses with cars on two occasions. We know that one young girl was knocked down on the zebra crossing in 2021. There is no police record of the majority of these incidents: unless the injuries are severe, they rarely get reported.

- John and I have also benefited from an initial online coaching session on community engagement, provided (in line with our CEC grant) by Planning Aid Scotland. This was enlightening and set us a high standard in terms of data handling and reporting at the end of the project. We can say more about the learning points from this session. We have already fixed a follow-up session with PAS in early December when we will look at the challenges of collating and interpreting the survey data.

- John has commissioned traffic counts at points at and near the roundabout. These should be in place this week and the automated equipment will run for one week. Cllr Parker has been extremely helpful in trying to secure, from CEC officials, the data gathered (as it happens, by the same consultants as we are using) in 2019 & 2021.

Access to that data will be vital to assess growth trends or changes in the types of vehicle using the roundabout and feeder roads.

- We will report the main findings of the survey on MCC's website. Our plan at present is then to commission visualisations of a couple of the priority improvements identified by the survey; and to make these available to the community as well.

- In all the conversations John and I have had with residents about how they experience the roundabout, only one has strongly objected to this project. This person argued, on the basis of long residence near the roundabout, that MCC was showing bias in asking questions about safety; & that there was insufficient accident data to justify changes to the current arrangements. When we meet, I will quote from some of the responses we had from residents in the early stages of this project – comments which persuaded us that there were issues to explore and, perhaps, a chance to improve things. MCC is entitled, it seems to me, to take seriously the safety of pavement users and cyclists in its area. If the survey does not reveal a general sense of dissatisfaction with the way things are, then of course we will draw a line under the project. We will only go where the evidence takes us; and all the evidence will be available to the City Council at the time of our report.

Roma Menlowe, MCC November 2022

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MERCHISTON LEAF CLEARING PROJECT: 2022

As at 8 November 2022 the Project is in its 6th week.

49 Volunteers have received leaf collecting bags with a leaflet instructing them what to do to arrange for an uplift of filled bags.

36 of those who have received bags have reported 'filled bags' for uplift.

In addition, Councillor Neil Ross joined a Group session and filled many bags.

The number of bags reported by Volunteers ranges from 1 to 110…and counting !

A total of 605 bags have been reported, and uplifted by the Council

Additional bags have been uplifted by the Council without being reported.

At least 10 reported bags have been uplifted by individuals who seek leaf mould.

Other volunteers report that they are using their bags to transfer pavement leaves to group leaf mould compounds.

Some volunteers report using their brown bins

There has been a lot of wind and rain in the last two weeks making the pavements particularly slippery – and certain pavements are overwhelmed with leaves

Many, but not all, trees have lost almost all their leaves

IN ADDITION

Because of the work that Merchiston Volunteers are doing – collecting and bagging up leaves - the Council has undertaken a number of sessions with its gutter sweeping machine.

Unfortunately, these are unpredictable and the Project is not able to determine which roads should get priority

JMH and HZ

Merchiston Community Council 2022-23 Cash Flow

Date	Description	Chq no.	Entry	££	Balance
01 Apr 22	Carried forward				£7436.65
01 Apr	FoMBL (SO)			£50.00	£7386.65
12 Apr	Donation to EACC	**42**	01	£50.00	£7336.65
01 May	Keegan&Pennykid (DirDeb)		02	£82.54	£7254.11
24 May	Website (refd. EK)	**44**	03	£97.49	£7156.62
09 Aug	Auditor's fee	**45**	04	£30.00	£7126.62
09 Aug	Publicity (refd. VK)	**46**	05	£226.95	£6899.67
19 Aug	CEC annual grant			£1004.70CR	£7904.37
26 Aug	Bench (Janie Morris)	47	06	£949.84CNX	£7904.37
28 Aug	Bench (plaque: refd. BS)	48	07	£52.00	£7852.37
13 Sep	Bench (replmt for chq no.47)	**49**		£949.84	£6902.53
04 Oct	Zoom meetings (refd. DM)	52	08	£86.34	£6816.19
15 Nov	Polwarth Pvts. (refd. RM)	53	09	£293.00	£6523.19

Cheque numbers in bold print have been paid.
Note: cheque nos. 43, 50, 51 cancelled owing to orthographic error (unfortunately writing a cheque is a completely alien concept to my young PAs!)
: cheque no. 47 cancelled for BoS technical glitch – see letter on file dated 7 Sep 2022