

# Gorbals Groups Collective Meeting

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026, 6pm, Northgate Community Room

Present: 10 residents

Apologies: 2 residents, Bailie Siddique

In attendance: Susan Burn, Tenant Participation Officer and Councillor Mhairi Hunter

## **1. Welcome, housekeeping, ground rules and introductions**

Susan welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. Introductions were made and everyone was reminded of the ground rules for the meeting. The group thanked Councillor Hunter for coming along.

## **2. Notes and actions from 20<sup>th</sup> November 2025 meeting**

2.1 Parking – Bailie Siddique had sent an email in response to the group's issues around parking in the Gorbals. Susan read out the email response:

*“The Council are committed to conducting a consultation for the introductions of parking controls in the Gorbals Area as part of a city-wide expansion of parking controls. The proposed scheme will address indiscriminate and obstructive parking in the area.*

*The implementation of parking controls must follow a statutory process associated with the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) which is expected to commence in 2026. This process typically takes between 9 and 18 months, depending on the consultation outcomes and any potential objections. If the TRO is successfully promoted, the measures are expected to be introduced in 2027.”*

The group were not satisfied with this response and there was a lengthy discussion. Councillor Hunter talked about the complexity of the residential mix in the Gorbals which she felt contributed to difficulties in managing parking in this area. Further discussion about provision of blue badge parking. Group agreed it would be useful to know which streets are adopted by the Council for any future meeting on parking. Councillor Hunter said there would be opportunity for in person consultation meetings. She offered to have an officer from the relevant department come to speak to this group. She will also find out when the consultation will start and its timescale.

2.2 Bins – Bailie Siddique had sent 2 email responses in December:

*Email 1 - “I can advise there are numerous different service schedules in operation in the Gorbals area, all of which are being carried out to schedule. If residents believe their bins are not being serviced to schedule, It would be helpful if you could please provide an address and we will investigate the concerns.”*

*Email 2 - “The street bins in this location are serviced to schedule. Residents should not be placing domestic refuse bags or domestic waste into the street litter bins.*

*The street litter bins are for litter only, if the household refuse containment is full,*

*residents should not be using the litter bins for household waste.*

*An officer will monitor the street bin collections over the coming weeks and take the appropriate action in terms of frequency of uplifts.*

*Our officer will liaise with enforcement officers to stop the fly tipping beside the litter bins from occurring, which will combat any litter issues generated by the fly tipping of domestic waste bags.”*

2.3 Bulk uplift – tenant asked about the bulk uplift service, now that NGHA is fulfilling this requirement. Her question was whether residents are paying twice for a bulk uplift service, once through council tax and once through rent. Councillor Hunter explained that council tax only covers general waste, not bulk uplift which is not a statutory service. Bulk uplift had previously been at the discretion of the individual Council. Glasgow City Council were one of the last to introduce a charge for this service. This clarified the situation for tenant. Group agreed they were grateful that NGHA was providing this service.

2.4 Road safety at the Co-op junction in Crown Street

Bailie Siddique had sent an email response about repairs to this area on 8<sup>th</sup> December:

*“I can confirm that I have arranged for the repairs of the monoblock crossing located at the junction of Crown Street and Hospital Street to be carried out with a response time of 60 working days.”*

However, there are ongoing concerns about safety at this junction. Group felt something should be done. Ideally a zebra crossing, which had been introduced behind the Co-op to good effect. Or traffic calming or give way signs. Group asked how they could proceed with requesting this? Councillor Hunter will ask.

### **3. Other issues from residents**

3.1 Dog fouling – residents from Silverfir reported an increase in this across the Gorbals. Are there enforcement officers for the area as they have not seen any? We know advice is to report details of regular offenders, but this is not realistic. Councillor Hunter will raise this.

3.2 Safety concerns at Blackfriars Primary – this had been raised at online meeting. Resident from Pine Place concerned for pedestrian and child safety with volume and manner of parking at peak school times. Councillor Hunter confirmed this had been raised at the Gorbals Regeneration Group and that a police presence had been there to monitor but the group say this has now fallen away and ask if there are permanent safety measures that could be introduced? Councillor Hunter will raise.

3.3 No lighting at Cavendish Place – raised by Laurieston Estate Action Group, this has been ongoing. Councillor Hunter had provided a response to explain that this is due to a fault in an underground cable but is taking some time to repair. However, Councillor Hunter will enquire about possible temporary measures to ensure safety of residents while this work is taking place.

3.4 Investment in walkway at Riverside – raised on behalf of Riverside tenants, who had been promised £800,000 for the area by previous Councillor. What has happened to this money? Councillor Hunter confirmed there was £800,000 allocated to Riverside and that work on the walkway would be done in a phased way. The budget is being set next week and the Councillor will clarify the position. Riverside tenants feel strongly that they are missing out on regeneration to this area, compared to other areas in the city.

3.5 Accessibility difficulties for residents with the cobbles on the pavement at Devon Street. Preference would be to have this smoothed over. Councillor Hunter will enquire.

3.6 Feedback that the cycle lane in Pollokshaws Road, opposite the old Railway Inn, is flooded and in need of maintenance. This is part of the South City Way and should be maintained by Glasgow City Council. Councillor Hunter will feed this back.

#### 4. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 6pm, venue to be confirmed by group members.

The group thanked Councillor Hunter for her time.

<b>Issue</b>	<b>Action</b>
Access to adopted roads information	Susan to send out link
GCC Parking to meet with Group	Cllr Hunter
Crossing/traffic calming at Co-op	Cllr Hunter
Dog fouling enforcement	Cllr Hunter
Traffic safety concerns at Blackfriars Primary	Cllr Hunter
Lighting at Cavendish Place	Cllr Hunter
£800,000 for Riverside	Cllr Hunter
Cobbles at Devon Street	Cllr Hunter
Cycle Lane in Pollokshaws Road	Cllr Hunter