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Note - The Strata Council Meeting Oct 12, 2017 are also attached to this package

Hello Fellow Blockwatchers:  
Good news...and bad.

Four members (including myself) attended the WCIA (Whalley Community Improvement Area) meeting this month. It is attended by police, business men, political people, sometimes a city councillor, social services group and sometimes developers. We learned a few things - mostly bad. I am going to continue to attend these meetings and will take minutes. There's a lot of good ideas; dedicated people; and, useful contacts to be had at these meetings.

- Over the past 1.5 years, 13 businesses have gone out of business in our area alone due directly to the street people and the problems associated with them. That's approx one business every 6 weeks. This, of course, opens up a whole new problem and that is the maintenance of these empty businesses. The homeless use them as shelter, injection sites, etc and the buildings quickly become unsightly.
- Once a week (every Wednesday morning); until the weather becomes too cold to continue, the street people must remove their tents from the strip so it can be cleaned up before they return in the afternoon. One of the business men at the WCIA meeting estimated the cost of keeping the Strip clean. For just 24/7/365 police presence, continual monitoring by by-laws; and, the dump truck and water truck to hose down the street after all remaining garbage has been removed, he estimated the City is spending approx. 1.6 million per month. Not a year - a month. I am going through Freedom of Information to verify his estimate; but, everyone at the table felt he was probably correct. Wow!!
- We started an Ad Hoc group to deal solely with deciding the best course of action (letters? To whom? Points to be made? Email campaign? Etc.) to encourage the political "powers that be" to do something about the situation. I will pass on relevant information to you via the monthly Block Watch report.
- The police have made two arrests that affect us this month. The first arrest is of a street person trying to cut his way into Grandview's underground. The second arrest is of a group of drug dealers that conduct their business on 105 Ave in the large driveway just up from University Dr. The pressure we are applying to the police is starting to pay off.

If you have any ideas on how to help reduce the number of street people and/or crime in our area, please email Block watch at: [blockwatch1.249@gmail.com](mailto:blockwatch1.249@gmail.com)

Til next time. Take care.

## Rent Café Update for Owners – LMS 1328

### **WHY SHOULD I REGISTER FOR RENT CAFÉ?**

- ✓ IT HELPS KEEP STRATA FEES LOW!!!
- ✓ IT REDUCES PRINTING AND POSTAGE COSTS!

### **Rent Café – Update**

Rent Café, the “online access” to important information about Whalley Pointe-Grandview and Parkview Courts, is up and running for use by all Owners.

### **What can I find on Rent Café?**

**Answer:** Minutes of Strata Council Meetings, Annual General Meeting Minutes, Insurance Certificate, Insurance Guide (called Form 100), Bylaws, Rules, Welcome Package, Depreciation Report, Alteration Request Form, Complaint Form.

### **How and Where do I register for access so can I use Rent Café?**

**Answer:** Each Owner must **FIRST REGISTER THEMSELVES ON-LINE** in order to access Rent Café. You may have already registered when you received an email from Dorset Realty Group or by Canada Post.

### **I did not receive an invitation to register yet. What do I do now?**

**Answer:** send an email to [general@dorsetrealty.com](mailto:general@dorsetrealty.com)

**The email MUST include: Your Full Name; Unit # and Address and simply ask for the information to be emailed to you so you can register for Rent Café. Follow the instructions you receive exactly please.**

**NOTE:** If you encounter a problem registering, please send an email to [general@dorsetrealty.com](mailto:general@dorsetrealty.com) and ask for assistance.