

## **Bonnyrigg and Lasswade Community Council**

### **Minutes of Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2007 in the Sports Pavilion, King George V Park, Bonnyrigg at 7.30 pm.**

**Present:** Neil Stewart (Chair), Ian Baxter (Vice Chair), George Birrell, Cameron Scott, Ruth Scott, Gilbert Scott Stewart Renwick.

**In attendance:** Councillors Derek Milligan & Bob Constable, PC Stewart, Tracey Murray (Advertiser).

**Apologies:** Dorothy Innes

#### **Amendments**

Bob Constable had given his apologies.

Buses from Cockpen every 20 mins.

#### **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

These were proposed by George Birrell, seconded by Cam Scott

#### **Matters arising**

Midlothian Twinning Association has written to St Cyr on our behalf.

Wreaths were laid by Cam Scott (Bonnyrigg) and Dorothy Innes (Lasswade).

#### **Finance**

Current Account	£840.32
Twinning	£1720.61

[Cheques not yet presented - to Fun Day committee for £150.00 for Christmas lights, £32.00 for wreaths]

#### **Police Report**

Crime	Recorded	Solved
Violent	2	2
Sexual	0	0
Dishonesty	14	5
Vandalism	16	3
Miscellaneous	11	10
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>20</b>
Solvency Rate 46%		

Inspector Neil Simpson had updated Neil Stewart's by email that the now finalised letter was due to be distributed during the first week of November. The final cost has not been assessed and once it has been, we will be asked for our contribution.

#### **Midlothian Councillors Report**

##### **Councillor Derek Milligan –**

- New all-weather pitch opened at Poltonhall with Hearts assistant coach. Proving very popular and well used, every night and most days of the week. various sports (e.g. hockey) as well as football.
- Tonezone upgrade to start over festive period, including sauna facilities.
- Christmas lights plans well ahead. Puppet show for youngsters, Santa's grotto, festive music from local primary schools. 2 primary students and Provost Montgomery will switch on the lights. Road closures and parking restrictions in the area have been applied for.
- Some Christmas lights in Lasswade will be replaced and extended through village.

##### **Councillor Bob Constable –**

- Bob, Jackie and Provost Montgomery had attended 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Mass at Our Lady of consolation celebrated a couple of weeks earlier by the Cardinal.
- Bob had attended a meeting of Historic Scotland to discuss options for Mavisbank House.

### **Transport**

Nothing to report.

### **Twinning**

Nothing new to report. Response from Midlothian Council is awaited. Page now on the web site.

### **Constitution**

Amendments were agreed to the constitution and it was agreed that this be submitted to Midlothian Council for approval. Amended version proposed by Ian Baxter, seconded by Stewart Renwick.

### **Planning**

Proposed building of houses in Elm Row (old petrol station). Signage will be erected soon.

### **Correspondence**

- Midlothian Council – Business News
- Midlothian Council Minutes.
- Midlothian Council – Response to Neil's request to cut down paper documents sent out. Agreed to consider.
- Midlothian Council – Black Diamond FM to be producing community programmes. Ian agreed to follow up.

### **Any Other Competent Business**

George asked about new houses at Pentland Road – will the turning circle be removed, as it's well used? Derek said it should not. Derek agreed to send an email to Health and Safety to look into this.

Cam Scott asked about students from LHS congregating in centre of Bonnyrigg at lunchtime.

Ian raised subject of production of a newsletter. He had approached PDCC to suggest a joint venture, with distribution during spring. Agreed to produce a template for the January meeting.

**Date of the Next meeting:** 17<sup>th</sup> January 2008.