

BONNYRIGG & LASSWADE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting Held on 20th May 2010 within Sports Pavilion, King George V Park Bonnyrigg at 1930 hrs

Present: Ian Baxter (Chair), Dorothy Innes (Vice Chair), Stewart Renwick (secretary), Elaine Ferguson (Treasurer), Cameron Scott, Brian Scott,

In attendance: Councillor Jackie Aitchison, PC Stewart Morrison (Lothian and Borders Police).

Apologies: Ruth Scott, Gilbert Scott, Eddie Ramsay, Councillor Bob Constable, Councillor Derek Milligan,

Welcome: Chairman welcomed all to meeting and apologised for the mix up the previous month. After the meeting had been cancelled he had located the relief janitor.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Proposed Dorothy Innes Seconded by Brian Scott

Matters Arising:

January Meeting

Site meeting on Polton road traffic problems.— *the meeting took place but due to the very poor weather another meeting is to be arranged to fully discuss what was viewed at the site. A meeting was convened with Ricky Moffat and Dave Kenny form MC along with residents, Rhona Brankin and representatives from P&DCC and B&LCC (IB). There was a view that the speed could be reduced to 20MPH but MC would require to a policy change to allow this to happen. Roslin Glen road closure is a major factor. The traffic lights at Wadingburn are programmed to give priority to Edinburgh bound traffic in the morning and the reverse in the evening. The situation will be monitored.* **Cleared**

February Meeting

Filter at Toll — JA has requested that the planners look again at providing a filter at the toll, for traffic turning right out of the high street. **Ongoing**

ACTION: JA

Community Hospital — this is 5 to 6 weeks ahead of schedule SR to write to Lothian Health Board regarding a visit. JA suggested writing to the chair **Ongoing**

ACTION: SR

BS raised that there was an old wooden box next to the new school; it looks as if it has been left by the contractors. The supply is not connected and it may be used in the future. **Cleared**

March Meeting

Millerhill recycling plant — There were only limited numbers so the neighbouring CC were invited. **Cleared**

Community Transport — Renewal received to rejoin. Agreed to pay £11.75 **Cleared**

Financial Report:

Current Account:

	As at 18 th Mar 2010	£1,019.25
	As at 20 th May 2010:	£1,695.52
Transactions		
Debits	Lothian Community Transport	£11.75
Credit	Grant form Midlothian Council	£688.02

Twinning Account:

	As at 18 th Mar 2010:	£1,862.16
	As at 20 th May 2010	£1,862.16
Transactions	None	

It was agreed to renew our insurance with the ASCC at a cost of £52

Police Report:

Below are the figures for the month of April.

Vandalism	Rec: 16	Sol: 3	18.75% solvency
Crimes of Dishonesty	Rec:31	Sol: 6	19.35% Solvency
Sexual crime	Rec: 2	Sol: 0	0% solvency
Violent Crime	Rec 2	Sol 2	100% Solvency
Group 1-5	Rec : 55	Sol 14	25.45% Solvency
Other Crimes	Rec: 4	Sol 3	75% Solvency

There have been over 330 calls received in the Bonnyrigg area for the month of April. Incidents of note

A male has been reported to the PF for being found in possession of a dangerous dog. The dog has been taken from the owner whilst the case is awaiting trial.

A male was caught drink driving in the Bonnyrigg area and found to be over three times the legal limit. A report has been sent the procurator fiscal.

Police were contacted to attend Lasswade high school regarding an assault between two pupils. On arrival the police dealt with the assault and found another child in possession of a knife within school. Reports have been submitted to the Procurator fiscal and the children's reporter regarding this incident.

If there are any current issues please contact Bonnyrigg Police station and ask for PC Morrison 5907 community officer or crime stoppers in confidence.

PC Morrison has been working with Cost cutters to eliminate the parking on the double yellow lines outside his shop. It would be helpful if the yellow lines were re-painted as they are now not prominent.

ACTION: JA

There are a number of problems caused by quad bikers and off road bikes. The police are using their quad bikes to catch the trouble makers.

Pub Watch — Community police are attempting to have all pubs in the area join the scheme.

Midlothian Councilors' Report:

Councilor Aitchison

The jewellers in the High Street in Bonnyrigg is the only business to apply for a licence to sell knives.

Campview Road — 12 social housing. 8 x 3 bedrooms and 4 x 4 bedrooms. Bonnyrigg and Poltonhall transfers are the priority.

Roslin Road — ongoing concerns on the costs required to rectify the problems. MC to allocate more funding. To clear up the Rosewell side of the glen. The Roslin side will be monitored but looks ok.

High Pressure cleaning has been carried out in Polton Street and is ongoing.

There is a review of the council management structure from top to bottom in progress.

A new fire master has been appointed Jimmy Campbell, a local man working in the Fife fire service. Will invite during our winter term to talk to the CC.

BS asked if MC obligated follow Glasgow and add Gaelic names on our street names. JA responded that MC is not obligated to carry this out.

EF noted that bags were being left by council workers at the end of the walkway to be collected by council vehicle, but this did not always happen. JA advised to contact commercial service when it happened there number is 561 5203

Planning:

The main planning items were further planning applications regarding Kevock Vale, with the remainders dealing with minor modifications and conservatories.

Transport:

The 48 route has been extended to the campus at Dalkeith. Lothian buses have a new colour scheme.

Twinning: There are two events next month. Bonnyrigg rose youth team were meant to be going over but the trip has had to be cancelled.

The 25 and 26 June is the commemoration of General De Gaulle's speech broadcast on Radio appealing to the French nation.

IB will represent the twinning committee along with Depute Provost Margot Russell, John Ramsay from Midlothian Twinning Association and John Hilton from Bonnyrigg Ex-Servicemen's Association. It was agreed that IB would take a gift to mark the occasion. CS intimated that he hoped that IB was using the funds available to assist in his travel arrangements. IB declined the offer stating that he would fund the trip himself.

Lasswade High School Project:

The councils have received the 6 tenders for the design team, evaluated them and interviewed all 6 design teams. The successful tenderer has been informed and we are now in a legal standstill period and debriefing the unsuccessful design teams. The appointment is planned for 28th April (after the 10 days).

On appointment the first task for the design team is consultation. This will include the Design Charrettes mentioned previously. As soon as there is a timetable and details, we will forward this to you.

In addition, the OJEU notice (advertisement) for the contractor team was lodged on the 31st March and a pre-qualification questionnaire (PQQ) uploaded. This will follow a similar process to the design team appointment where we short-leet to 3 teams using the PQQ. The return date and time for this PQQ is 12 noon on 30th June 2010.

Key dates:

Exemplar designs – May 2010 – October 2010

Contractor appointment – May 2011

Design development and planning permissions – May 2011-February 2012

Site mobilisation and construction – February 2012

School decant – August 2013

The Design Team has now been appointed (BDP) and we are meeting them tomorrow to discuss the brief and arrangements for the Design Workshops, to which the Community will be invited to help inform the design. We don't have a date for these yet but it is hoped they will be held in early June at the High School. The details will be advertised as soon as we have them.

FairTrade:

IB was asked to go to Bonnyrigg Primary School and give a talk at the weekly assembly.

Newsletter:

IB is waiting on an update from LHSC project team. This issue will contain articles from Broomieknowe Golf Club, Hopfield, SEAM, spring cleanup twinning and fair-trade.

Correspondence

Midlothian Council

Minutes presented 23 March and 27 April

Midlothian News

Licensing Application variation for Bonnyrigg Bowling club Children on premises for private function.
Melville Castle extend hours until 2am over the Christmas (22, 23, 24, 25) and Hogmanay

Travel Team Newsletter April & May

Local Schools Catchment Review

PPF

April Minutes

NHS Lothian

Health Link spring edition

Scottish Health Council

Spring Newsletter connect

SEPA

Sepa View (Scottish Environment Protection Agency) spring edition

Scottish Natural Heritage.

Spring Magazine

Scotland's National Nature Reserves

Email

The Strategic Development Planning Authority for Edinburgh and South East Scotland to all Community Councils. Document on the SESPlan

Strengthening Communities

Thursday 3 June at 7pm Dalkeith Arts Centre in Book

Fairer Scotland Fund

Community Garden Project

AOCB

Fountain – Still waiting NS of the history society

Next Meeting and AGM: 17 June 2010, Sports Pavilion, K G Park at 1930hrs.