

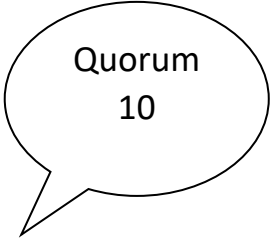
Dunbar and East Linton Area Partnership meeting
26th April 2021, 7.00pm – 9.00pm
ZOOM meeting

Meeting Chaired by:

George Robertson, Chair of the Dunbar and East Linton Area Partnership (GR)

Members (and substitute members) present

Anne Lyall, East Lammermuir Community Council (AL)
Barry Craighead, Vice Chair AP, Dunpender Community Council (BC)
Jacquie Bell, Vice Chair AP, (JB) Dunbar Community Council (JB)
Mike Shaw, Dunbar Shore & Harbour Neighbourhood Group (MS)
Daniel Wight, Dunpender Community Council (DW)
Tim Greene, Sustaining Dunbar (TG)
Gill Wilson, East Lothian Association of Day Centres (GW) – by telephone
Pippa Swan, Dunbar Community Council (PS)
Cllr Sue Kempson, Elected Member (SK)
Dee Davidson, Dunbar Grammar School Parent Council Rep (DD)
Ola Wojtkiewicz, West Barns Hall, voting for the West Barns Community Council (OW)
Judith Priest, Dunpender Community Council (JP)
Maggie Cole, The Ridge, (MC)
Terry Prior, Hallhill TRA (TP)



Quorum
10

Others in attendance

Gordon Horsburgh, Connected Communities Manager (GH)
Lorna MacLennan Business Support Administration, ELC (LMac)
Helen Harper, CLD (HH)
Marilyn McNeill, IJB (MM)
Naomi Barnes, Sustain Dunbar, (NB)
Lynn Fraser, Sketch and Wander (LF)
Yvonne Wemyss, sustaining Dunbar (YW)

Apologies received

Scott Marnoch, Active Schools (Secondary)(SM)
Lynn Simpson, Small School Rep (LS)
Stephen Bunyan, Dunbar Community Council (SB)
Loretta Stewart (LS) Dunbar CC
Kate Darrah, The Ridge (KD)
Allison Cosgrove, Dunpender Community Council (AC)

Agenda Item	Key discussion points	Action
<p>1. Chairman's Introductory Remarks</p>	<p>GR Welcomed everyone to the meeting. GR stated that all papers associated with the meeting had been circulated. GR went round his screen and introduced everyone.</p> <p>GR stated that he had attended a couple of meetings in the past week.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meeting with Chairs of the Area Partnership, Caitlin McCorry, Service Manager – Connective Communities, Sharon Saunders, Head of Communities & Partnerships, Eamon John, Service Manager – Sport, Countryside & Leisure and Tom Reid, Head of Infrastructure. Most of the talking was about the £100k Amenities Budget. In theory, the Area Partnerships can redirect men and machines towards local priorities. In reality, and due to budget cuts, the Amenities Department are hard pressed to meet their core tasks and have little spare capacity, so the notional £100k budget has been unused in recent years. GR stated that he asked that the £100k Amenities Budget be removed or replaced by a smaller sum like £20k which might be achievable, however ELC are unwilling to make this adjustment. Assurances were given that if the Partnerships requested work to be done, Amenities would do their utmost to accommodate the work. 2. The second meeting was the COVID recovery group. The Partnerships were asked to re assess their plans to see if they are fit for the times we find ourselves in and also to see if references to Mental Health were adequate for the moving out of lock down. The group thought that mental health will be one of the most challenging issues going forward. <p>DW asked if there were any guidance given about how the partnership assess projects around Mental Health. GR stated that there was no guidance, and the partnership would have to use its own initiatives and expertise when assessing the project. GR asked that members give the Area Plan serious thought – this would be emailed out tomorrow (Tuesday 27th April 2021) – and if members could send their thoughts back as soon as they can so this could be updated. TP stated that DW was correct that we need to give it careful thought. There are many criteria's by which different people should be delivering services and we can draw on them. We need to find the links and support for primary care.</p> <p>BC asked with funding being cut in the past year and lots of applications, would there be any additional monies to fund the Mental Health projects? GH stated that there was some additional funding for COVID Recovery.</p> <p>Voting would be done via email. GR asked everyone to send their votes to LMac as soon as possible after the meeting. A voting template will be sent out after the meeting to everyone, if they could complete and send back.</p>	<p>LMac</p>
<p>3. Yvonne Wemyss</p>	<p>Yvonne Wemyss is now covering the job that Ola started within Sustaining Dunbar. GR introduced YW to give a short presentation on the work that she is doing and the information she is gathering. The timescale is extremely short as YW leaves in June. YW will also be attending the Health and Wellbeing Sub Group as well.</p> <p>The presentation that YW gave is attached to the minutes.</p>	
<p>4. Apologies</p>	<p>Apologies were noted as above.</p>	
<p>5. Notifications of declaration of interest</p>	<p>This gives members the opportunity to state a conflict of interest on any subject matter that is on the agenda. Declarations would be declared at the item.</p>	<p>ALL</p>

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6. Approval of Minutes	The minutes were approved by JB and seconded by DW.	
7. Matters Arising	<p>Dunbar Against Litter were awarded, £2202, the litter pickers that were asked for are being sourced by Amenity Services. The litter bins are being purchased along with other items.</p> <p>Sustaining Dunbar and The Ridge were both allocated £2478 and the remainder of £2522 has been processed from this financial year. NB stated that Sustaining Dunbar have a gardener who is starting tomorrow. They have funding for 6 months and are hopeful of getting additional funding. MMC stated that the works of the Blackbull Close have been done with additional work to be completed in the near future.</p> <p>The bike rack at Lauderdale Park which was to be funded by the partnership was funded elsewhere. The £300 that was remaining was given to Barry to have a maintenance fund for repairing benches, which you have already seen in the minutes but he has one to repair in Elder Street (photos attached) and another one is being delivered to his house by Amenity Services to be repaired and will be back in situ very soon.</p>	
8. Budget Update	<p>The budget for this year is the same as last year's 50K general budget; £50K Roads budget and £100K Amenities budget.</p> <p>Roads Budget – West Barns Disabled Care Park is still to be started. There was a long and heated discussion about the fact that this was agreed to be done for about a year ago, money committed and surely the funding should not come from this year's budget. GH stated he would ask the question but was sure the funding would come from this year's budget. The cost given was £12K. DW asked if the request from Tynninghame for traffic calming would also come from this year's. GH stated that this would also be from this year's budget and he would speak to Road colleagues about this request.</p> <p>Amenity Budget – GR stated he feels he is always banging on about this budget. Although we can influence something it means diverting men and machines from something else. PS asked if the Partnership could have the schedule for the year then that way a more informed choice could be made for priorities. GR stated that during the summer months it's more challenging for Amenity services to alter what they are doing but there is scope in the winter months for something to be completed. Again there was assurances that the Amenity team would do their utmost to help and achieve priorities. JB stated that she had reported a broken bench to Amenities, by the time BC and JB got to see the bench Amenities had removed it. This could not be replaced but as stated before, BC will get delivery of the bench which will be repaired.</p> <p>Again there was a heated discussion over the budgets from ELC. There was also statements about this being a partnership but the partnership finds it frustrating that ELC do not want to work that way.</p>	<p>GH</p> <p>GH</p> <p>GH</p>

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<p>9. Applications for funding</p>	<p>All papers for the meeting were circulated before the meeting. All votes will be taken by email. The Email will be sent out by LMac and please return the email as soon after the meeting as possible so the decisions form can be organised and sent out to applicants. Although there is more money required for the applications than is available, GR asked that everyone vote on the whole amount. Between GH and GR they will decide who will get what funding this year and the rest of the funding from next financial year.</p> <p>a) Belhaven Surf School- £1,200.00 GR stated went over the application and stated that the applicant was only looking for half the funding required. Votes would be taken by email as before.</p> <p><i>Post Meeting:-There were 15 votes altogether. 13 Yes; 0 No; DofI 2 and abstain 0. This applications was approved. Paperwork sent out and payment processed.</i></p> <p>b) Sketch and Wander - £2,400.00 The applicant came to talk to her application. She went through the application explaining the application, and the aims and methods used. The members had questions, which were answered. It was confirmed that all Area Partnerships has been approached. There were questions about cost, duration, the process, evaluation, and how people would be able to access this project. Votes would be taken by email as before.</p> <p><i>Post Meeting:- There were 15 votes altogether. 2 yes; 11 no, DofI 0; 2 abstains. This application was not approved. GH has spoken to the applicant.</i></p>	
<p>10.Roads Budget Proposals</p>	<p>This was discussed under budgets.</p>	
<p>11. Health and Wellbeing Group</p>	<p>The minutes are attached.</p> <p>The bullets points are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reprovision of Belhaven Hospital. Concerns about delays continue. A meeting of interested parties to consider bottom up action taking place on 27th April at 10.30. • DunBear park Care Provision- No information from SAOL. Ken Ross had advised that care provision will not be part of the 1st phase of development at DunBear Park. • COVID - Local Incidence is low. There had been discussion about immunisation for vulnerable groups e.g. the homeless • GP Link Workers- There had been a new update. Most referrals have involved social isolation. • Yvonne Wemyss - had introduced her role as Sustaining Dunbar Community Engagement Worker • Dunbar Day Centre - Gill Wilson had given an update on plans for re-opening. There is a need for new Trustees and volunteers. It is likely that the Centre will need to go to competitive tender to provide services beyond 2022. • Carers of East Lothian. Gill Wilson is the Acting Chair. They were having to go to competitive tender for continued funding. • Independent Review of Adult Social Care. There was a brief discussion. Proposals could have a significant impact of the future delivery of care. Developments will take place following the Scottish Elections on May 6th. <p>Date of Next Meeting. May 17th at 2 pm</p>	

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Nominations for Chairperson	GR stated that he would be standing down in October. Normally, the Chair is appointed for a two-year term. GR had agreed to continue for another year due to Covid. Members were to consider if they would like to put themselves forward. An advert would go out asking members of the public if they were interested. It was decided that for continuity it would be good if the vice chairs would keep their positions for another year. GR stated that he would give a handover to the new Chair.	ALL/GH/LM
12. AOCB	<p>Area Plan – at the meeting of the COVID recovery, Area Partnerships were asked to look at their plans to make sure that they were COVID recovery ready. The plan will be sent out to members so they can give thought to the plan and come back to GR, GH or LM with their thoughts especially regarding Mental Health issues.</p> <p>Barry the Bench – GR gave thanks to BC for the terrific work that he has done repairing, replacing and installing benches within the partnership area.</p> <p>DTA wanted to mention and thank the Gleam Machine for power washing the pavements in the High Street. The pavements look great but the chewing gum is now very visible so it is hoped that a machine to clear this could be sourced.</p> <p>Signage to car parking within Dunbar as we move to the holiday period would be appreciated.</p> <p>An appeal for more bike racks has come in. With the ever increasing use of bicycles it would be good to get an idea where member and the wider community would like to see bike racks erected. There is funding come in for COVID recovery it would be hoped that this would cover the cost of the racks. JB stated that St Anne’s Church has put in a planning application for a bike rack.</p> <p>Oliver Langton, the new Head Teacher from Belhaven Hill Private School would like the school to engage with the community rather than be the school behind the wall. They can let people have the grounds for events, Sports Hall for shows etc.</p> <p>OW stated that the West Barns Village Hall have all the funding for the new kitchen and bathrooms for the hall and it is hoped that the work can be completed by the end of June – hoping there is not COVID lock downs – they will hold an open day for all those who have contributed funding to them as well as the community later in the year. GR stated he was glad the hall was progressing and thanked OW for all her work, modestly OW stated she had a good team that work with her.</p> <p>GR stated that it seemed to be the time for halls to be refurbished with the Belhaven Church hall recently and Tynninghame going to put in an application for funding at the next meeting.</p> <p>GR stated it was nice to see JP at the meeting and looked forward to Dunpenders contribution to the Area Plan</p> <p>Just a reminder that the Area Plan will go out to everyone tomorrow and please give thoughts on the Mental Health Aspect especially.</p> <p>Next meeting is the 14th June on ZOOM at 7.00pm.</p>	<p>LM/ALL</p> <p>GH</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>
13. Date of Next Meetinas	All meetings start at 7.00pm on ZOOM at present. Please try to log on before the meeting starts so technical issues can be resolved.	

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	14th June 2021 30 th August 2021 4th October 2021 22nd November 2021	

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- Building sustainable communities
- Educating, sharing, learning

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What If? *The Ideas Bank*

- 30 Partner Groups
From Halls to Harbours
- Sharing Aspirations
From Training to Trees
- Engaging, listening, sharing stories, turning ideas into action – **Growing**....



What Now? *Mapping*

- The Matrix
What we know
- Partner Conversations
Exploring Ideas
- Community Consultation
Views & comments





What Next?

Planning

- Considering synergies
- Crystallising Ideas
- Deciding key priorities
- Addressing gaps

The What Next Action Plan!



What Can DELAP do?

Help us to:

- Focus on the key priorities based on What If, What Is and What Next?
- Avoid duplication of effort, addressing the gaps
- Gain access to funding



Elder Street Bench

Showing the damage, Barry measuring up
and after his work.





The bench in Pine Street has been vandalised, wood removed has left the metal rusting. ELC took the bench to Barry's and he kindly repaired it. Amenity Services uplifted it after the repair and put back in place. Thanks to Barry for repairing, Amenities for transporting and Jacqui for taking the pictures.

**Health and Wellbeing Sub Group
Minutes of Meeting Held on Microsoft Teams on 12th April 2021**

Present- Jacquie Bell (JB)(Co Chair)(DELAP/DCC/Dunbar Day Centre), Gill Wilson (GW)(Co Chair) (DELAP/DCC/Dunbar Day Centre), Jane Ogden Smith (JO) (ELHSCP), Maggie McCole (MM)(The Ridge), Sue Northrop (SN) (DFEL), Marilyn McNeil (MMc)(IJB), Janice Hanvidge (JH) (East Lammermuir Community Council), Gordon Horsburgh (GH) (ELC), Louisa Richardson (LR) (Link Worker), Terry Prior (TP)(Dunbar Patient Participation Group, Hallhill TTRA), Yvonne Wemyss(YW) (Community Engagement Worker, Sustaining Dunbar), Cllr Norman Hampshire (NH), Cllr Paul McLennan (PMc)

1) Apologies – Helen Harper (HH)(ELC), Carol Orr (CO) (Link Worker)
Lorna Bunney (LB) (Dunbar Dementia Network)

2) Minutes of 8th March- Approved

3) Link Worker Update – Louisa Richardson

LR advised that in the 6 weeks that the service has been running there had been about 20 referrals. She felt that this demonstrated the need for social prescribing in the area. The age range had been mixed although mostly of pension age with the oldest referral being a person in their 90s. Most had required referral to third sector organisations. A common theme was social isolation. Some had difficulty understanding the benefits system.

It was suggested that the Haddington mental health peer support/Buddy project run by Susan Forgie with an outreach in Dunbar once COVID restrictions are lifted may be of benefit to some. It was also felt that YW, may be able to link in with some of her findings which had been instigated by Ola at Sustaining Dunbar. TP noted the Area Co-ordination model which works well in other areas and offered to speak further to LR and CO about this. JB noted that Midlothian had had a longstanding Area Co-ordinator service for people, mostly for people with learning disabilities. She spoke of the ongoing review of services for people with complex needs which seemed to have been delayed by COVID. Area Co-ordination could be a useful model for them to link into community activities.

MM queried about support for some of The Ridges Service users to take up COVID vaccinations. There was a discussion about the logistics of transport to vaccination hubs. Mention was made of RVS and HCL Transport provision. JO said that generally people needed to go to a hub rather than to a local facility like the GP surgery. She advised that the COVID vaccination programme is organised centrally and so it is not easy to make special arrangements. However, those present spoke of the concern that vulnerable people like some of those supported by The Ridge and homeless people may miss out on vaccination unless the right supports were in place to enable them to access vaccination. JO agreed to speak to colleagues regarding access for vulnerable people.

MM agreed to arrange to speak with LR and CO about the referrals process.

GW advised of the opportunities for support of older people at Dunbar Day Centre.

4) Re-provisioning of Belhaven Hospital – Update.

There was a further long discussion.

JB had circulated responses to her letters from Alison MacDonald and Health Minister, Jeanne Freeman. There was a general disappointment with the contents. Those present expressed the continued frustration at the lack of progress. JB suggested that the general tide seemed to be a backwards one.

There was concern that there was still no sign of the Needs Led Assessment due in 2020. The working groups promised by the IJB in 2018 were still to be set up.

NH suggested that there was a shortage of money and funding would need to come from central government. There was a frustration that new facilities were being developed in other parts of East Lothian – Haddington, North Berwick and Musselburgh whilst Dunbar, despite its increasing population, had seen a reduction in hospital/care home beds.

NH spoke of the number of care home vacancies in the county – that people did not want to move to care homes- they preferred to stay in their own homes. He said that the Scottish Government would not fund new care homes if there was already an overprovision of places. He spoke of proposals for extra care housing. He and PMc noted that ELC could ask developers to provide some suitable properties for sale or rent on some of the forthcoming developments as part of affordable

housing provision. JB noted the need for bungalows as part of the housing mix. It was noted that extra care housing was only part of the accommodation needed as had been agreed at the November 2018 IJB. Some care home/hospital beds would always be needed for those who need 24 hour care e.g. those with significant dementia or high physical care needs like double incontinence. She mentioned the pressures during the pandemic on carers of those with dementia. Some people with dementia had been found to have declined more quickly as a result of lock down. A number of day centre service users had moved to 24 hour care over the last year. GW noted concern that those who needed 24 hour care should be able to live near their families/home communities rather than have to move to another town. JB noted the issues of getting care packages in rural communities with poor public transport. She also noted the limited number of care homes that accepted social work funded residents. Others present, including SN echoed the concerns.

NH also noted that the potential for a National Care Service may also have an influence on the provision and funding of care in the future.

It was agreed that a pro-active approach was needed to identify what the local community would wish rather than wait for a top down solution from ELC/ELHSCP. It was agreed to set up a sub group to explore the idea further. SN agreed to set up a doodle poll for those interested in joining a sub group. She said that the H&WB Groups in Preston Seton Gosford and North Berwick were also having local discussions. JB suggested that it would be beneficial to see if a member of Dunpender Community Council might join the group.

It was also agreed that Cllr Akhtar, Peter Murray (returning Chair of IJB) and Alison MacDonald would be invited to attend a future meeting of the H&WB group.

5) Extra Care Housing at DunBear Park.

JB noted that there had been no further information from John Corbett of the SAOL Community. At a meeting of some Dunbar Community Council members with Ken Ross, the DunBear Park Developer, he had indicated that a care facility would not be part of the first phase of development.

It was noted that although some extra care housing would be beneficial in Dunbar and East Linton Ward there were concerns about the SAOL model e.g. not catering for dementia, the cost of the private units and the site. ELC Planners had advised that if extra care housing were given consent but not developed there could be an opening for other housing which would be contrary to the use of the site identified in the Local Development Plan.

6) Yvonne Wemyss – Community Engagement Worker, Sustaining Dunbar.

YW outlined her role. She is in place for 3 months to pull together some of the ideas developed as part of the What If? Network which had developed as a community response to the Pandemic and the need to consider how the area may go forward in the Post Pandemic world. She will be interested in having dialogue with some of the local groups and individuals as to how she might be able to support local developments to fill the gaps that are not covered by existing services. She spoke of some of the activities that are already planned e.g. harbour cooking sessions. JB noted the positive discussions she had had with Olly Langdon, the new Head of Belhaven Hill School, who is keen for the school and its pupils to play a more active part in the community.

MM was enthusiastic about the timing of the Project and was happy to discuss ideas further with YM. There was a general agreement that talking to community groups was more beneficial than just creating more databases of services that soon go out of date.

YM agreed to share the write up of her findings for others to make comment. She will present her findings at the next meeting.

7) Dunbar Day Centre

GW and JB gave an update. The building is still closed to service users and staff have been giving support in the community. Plans are being made to provide a blended service once the building can re-open. The staff are needing to do risk assessments to prepare for the re-opening. Funding has been agreed for 2021-2 at the same level as the last few years. ELHSCP are considering the future funding model and it is likely that day care services in East Lothian will be opened to competitive tender. This would be a change to the present arrangement where all the day centres are run by voluntary trustees and funded by a mixture of ELC grants and fundraising. GW advised that the AGM is due to be held in June. New Trustees are needed. Anyone interested should contact GW or JB.

8) Carers of East Lothian

GW is the Acting Chair. The Organisation is currently working on a tender submission to continue its work with carers in East Lothian. As with the day centre services the longstanding service is now having to go through a competitive tender process in contrast to being grant funded.

9) Celebrating Communities

SN gave an update on the East Lothian Conversations held to date. JB and GW had met with HH regarding setting up a Dunbar Conversation. This is still to be formalised. SN spoke of the discussions about setting up Meeting Centres for those with dementia.

10) Joint Meeting for Health and Wellbeing Groups - SN is arranging this.

11) COVID – Local Update.

JB has been assisting as a Meet and Greeter at Haddington Community Hospital. Sessions have been well attended. Local Incidence was thought to be quite low at present. Following the meeting GH sent a note to advise that the East Lothian 7 day case rate per 100K on 8th April was 39.2. It had been below 50 since 15th March. The Positivity Rate was 1.6%. Apart from 1 day it had been below 2% since 17th March. Thus East Lothian had been below the Level 2 Indicator Levels since 15th March. The Scottish 7 day case rate had fallen to 38.2 – the lowest since 21st September.

12) MacMillan Improving the Cancer Journey

Link Workers are to be employed specifically to work with those diagnosed with Cancer. Worker Vivien Jayne will be invited to a future meeting.

13) Independent Review of Adult Social Care

The outcome of this will not be known until the Holyrood election on May 6th. PMc suggested that the creation of a National Care Service is likely regardless of who wins the election. JB noted concerns that this could cause further delay in the Belhaven re-provision process as there could be uncertainties as to where funding would come from and the future role of local authorities in the provision of adult social care. She said that the Scottish Association of Social Workers was concerned that there had been no social work professional involved in the Review Panel membership and that there was a potential for a negative outcome for the social work profession if a medical model of care predominated. There was a concern that social work could become fragmented. There had already been issues in some areas with the earlier Integration of Health and Social Care when the IJBs were created. This topic can be discussed further once proposals become clearer.

14) Public Information Newsletter.

JO advised that this was laid out and ready for sign off.

15) Holyrood Hustings

JB noted that Sustaining Dunbar/Dunbar Churches Together had arranged online hustings for 13th April (Constituency Candidates) and 15th April (Regional Candidates). Booking via Eventbrite. Further information from JB.

16) Date of Next Meeting – 2 pm on 17th May. JO will set up the Microsoft Teams invitation.