

East Lammermuir Community Council

Minute of meeting held Tuesday 17th January 2023

19.30 by Webex

Welcome and Introductions – Chair

Present: Community Councillors: Chris Bruce (Chair), Kelvin D’Arcy-Burt, Colin Bloomfield (Minutes), Anne Lyall, P Branfield, East Lothian Councillor Lyn Jardine, Fiona O’Donnell (Volunteer Centre East Lothian Locality Liaison).

Part attendance - None

Apologies for absence had been received from Julia Harrison (Secretary), Wendy Smillie, Elisabeth Wilson (Insulate Innerwick),

Minutes of meetings held 29th November 2022 were agreed (proposed Chris Bruce, seconded Anne Lyall)

Matters arising not on agenda

Venue for the ELCC meeting for 21st Feb was changed to Innerwick

Dates and venues of meetings for 2023 to be updated on the website **Action PB.**

Data management and protection: Pete would follow up with Stevie McKinlay to discuss the extent of East Lothian Council's GDPR coverage. PB to report at next meeting. **Action PB**

Exercise on Referral update meeting had occurred. Excellent feedback from first 36 referrals. A proposal was being developed for the whole of East Lothian. Enjoy Leisure would be asked to charge a nominal fee if this is rolled out, rather than being free as in the Dunbar Pilot trial. The proposal would be likely to be implemented in 2023/2024. CBr had been in contact with and had received an update from the Scottish Social Prescribing Network.

Membership of Community Council

Minute Secretary

Advertisements had been put on the Oldhamstocks, Spott and Stenton local systems. ELC had also issued a recent Council update including this ad.

It was suggested it might be worth also going through AELCC and using the Courier. AL had a contact for a possible candidate **Action CBr/AL.**

All ELCC councillors to ask people again locally - **Action All**

Dunpender CC to be asked for information on their employment of their minute person **Action : LJ**

Community Councillor role

Similar approach to be used for advertising the vacant Innerwick Community Councillor role – ad to be drafted. **Action CBr**

Treasurer's Report

Account balance stands at £3240.16

With the ability to now use Google Meet for virtual meetings, CBI had now cancelled the current WEBEX subscription at the end of this subscription period.

Insulate Innerwick (Elisabeth Wilson)

EW was unable to attend.

LJ had made David Ogilvy at ELC Housing dept. aware of the project and will organise a meeting with EW.

PB commented The Ridge had already done a lot of development in this area, again looking broader at community areas – it was thought they had already received grant funding. CBI had come across 'InnerPhit' – a building standard guide for retrofitting existing buildings aiming to get partially towards passive house standards.

The project has received a £850 grant from Be Green. DELAP had part funded the project, giving £3500, along with £2800 ELCC.

Use of Google Workspace (Pete)

Members were reminded again to book 1:1 training sessions with Pete as soon as possible, where required. **Action : ALL**

CBr raised the issue that Data backups might be required- raised by someone new at Oldhamstocks CA. PB to investigate what this might entail. **Action : PB**

Proposed Windfarm Benefits – East Lothian Wide

Belltown Power had indicated that they were offering 1% community ownership of Newlands Hill with an option to purchase up to 5% of the Newlands Hill windfarm.

CBr reported that 6 or 7 of the Association of East Lothian Community Councils were meeting with Paolo Vestri of ELC on 18th Jan to establish the level of interest in taking a collaborative approach to benefits from the Newlands Hill development and any future community benefits from other sources.

It was reported that £312k of the Community Windpower £1m Financial Crisis funding had been given out to 566 families in the East Lothian area in the first 6 weeks or so. Advice Direct Scotland have helped a lot setting this up. CBI to contact LJ for contact details for someone in ADS. **Action CBI**

Liaison Meetings and Roles - updates

A1 Action Group – LJ had attended and reported that a range of things discussed. Some Transport Scotland documents were tabled and may be of interest to local community groups. PB highlighted that overgrown vegetation was a visibility issue at Spott roundabout. CBr will pass on an email contact to PB. **Action CBr**

Planning - no report – KD'B will just issue notifications when there are applications in future, not when there's none.

Viridor & Tarmac Liaisons (David) : No meetings recently.

Torness Liaison (Kelvin) : KDB will attend the next public meeting on 26/04/23.

Area Partnership (Anne) – next meeting 27/2/23. Previous meeting was funding only.

Association of East Lothian Community Councils (Chris) : No meetings recently.

Bus Forum - No report

CAPP (Kelvin) - No report

Local Updates

Innerwick : EW identified the poor state of roads in Innerwick

Stenton : Speeding an issue, so a reactive speed sign was put in last year, but has never worked. Recently 20mph signs have been installed. KD'B has been trying to get it fixed. Question raised as to whether it's possible to purchase a permanent one from either DELAP roads budget or Fred Olsen.

Stenton – Church lights failed at Christmas owing to a broken timer.

Windfarm Benefits

It was agreed to 'hide' or remove the Covid-19 Support page from the website. **Action PB**

Update on Agreement for CRIII – CBI is expecting the final corrected version of the CRIII contract in the next couple of weeks . The error in the previous version (incorrect financials) pre Christmas has been sorted. This is to be signed and returned. **Action CBI**

East Lammermuir Community Benefits new Legal structures: a follow up meeting was scheduled on 24/1/23 to catch up with AL,WS and JH.

A copy of the slides to be sent to Fiona O'Donnell. **Action CBI**

Update on proposal for CRIV : JH to report to next meeting. **ACTION : JH**

Oldhamstocks CA had approached Rob Fryer of Community Windpower to meet regarding possible funding of Oldhamstocks Village Hall project. CBr would report back in due course. **Action CBr.**

Local Development Plan

Some input may be needed to develop Local Place Plan(s) by October 2023 to influence implementation of the new LDP. For example, some land areas purpose may be re-designated.

Proposed Dates of Future Meetings 2023

Members should check to confirm the proposed dates are OK. All Tuesdays at 19.30h

17 January	by Web
21 February	Innerwick
21 March	Spott
25 April	Stenton
<i>9 May</i>	<i>Benefits Funding meeting – Virtual</i>
13 June	Innerwick
22 August	Oldhamstocks
19 September	Spott
31 October	Stenton
<i>14 November</i>	<i>Benefits Funding meeting – Virtual</i>
5 December	Innerwick

We will publish any decision about meeting virtually if required one week in advance of each date, on website and local noticeboards.