

ROYAL BURGH OF DUNBAR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting Held on Monday 20th November at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Town House, Dunbar

1) Sederunt/Apologies

Present - Stephen Bunyan (SB) (Chair), George Robertson (GR) (Vice-Chair), Jacquie Bell (JB) (Secretary), Will Collin (WC), Graham Adams (GA) (initial part of meeting only)

Councillors Present – Cllr Sue Kempson, Cllr Norman Hampshire

Others Present – Sara Covey (member of the public), Mike Wilson, PC J Stewart, PC G Ross, Cameron Ritchie (Press), Jill Taylor (Minutes)

Apologies – Alasdair Swan (AS) (Treasurer) Pippa Swan (PS), Ian Hamilton (IH), Herbert Coutts (HC), Sarah Beattie-Smith (SBS)

THE MEETING WAS NOT QUORATE

Obituary – Tom Craig. Former Chair of the Twinning Association and Past President of Dunbar Rotary. The funeral will be on Monday 27th November, 12noon, Mortonhall Crematorium.

A minute's silence was held.

Congratulations

Dunbar Grammar School Students

Congratulations were given to DGS Pupils who have made achievements at swimming (Edward Alsop) and Taekwondo (Ryan and Kyle Campbell). Also to the Mock Trial Team who won the Scottish National Competition and will now represent the UK in New York in 2018.

HM Queen Elizabeth II and HRH Philip, Duke of Edinburgh on the celebration of their 70th Wedding Anniversary.

2) Minutes of Meeting of October 16th 2017

Agreed with no amendments required.

3) Presentation/Discussion – Gala Day With a Paintbrush – Mike Wilson

Mike Wilson, a journalist from Edinburgh, gave a short talk on his idea, a website called 'Gala Day with a Paintbrush' which would involve crowdsourcing and volunteering for community projects. Dunbar might be a pilot town. Local people would Give a Day to help with a community project to improve the town. Residents would meet at a given point to join in a group activity at a place that would be chosen by local consultation. A local steering group would be needed. The organisation would be not for profit and following a pilot could be rolled out across Scotland

DCC members expressed interest although some restrictions were noted e.g. on works in the conservation areas. However, projects might be considered elsewhere e.g. to paint a room at a care home or the Day Centre. It was noted that community ventures like Beach Cleans and litter picks in the Community Woodland had been well supported in the past. It was felt that it would be helpful to have the backing of the DTA as well as local residents.

Mike Wilson agreed to send further information to JB which could be considered. If DCC are interested, he would make applications to grant giving bodies. **MW/JB**

4) Sub-committee Reports

Christmas Lights

GA spoke to his brief written report which had been circulated. He confirmed that all licenses had now been received. He had requested a skip to be moved. The lights display was nearly ready and would be completed on Wednesday 22nd November. The tree would be erected that evening. Sunday 26th November is the switch on date - Market from 3pm, lights switch on at 6.30pm. Entertainment until 7pm. Roads closed until 9pm. Dunbar United Juniors are doing the lights switch on. Thanks were given to the team for their hard work. Cllr Hampshire noted that the lights already looked fantastic.

Civic Week

GR, AS and SB had met to discuss the future of Civic Week following the resignation of Sue Anderson. No-one from the previous committee wanted to take the lead role. New EPOG regulations make the situation more complicated. Paperwork must be in place 12 weeks before the event.

Rogue Village had not been interested in running Civic Week on a paid basis.

It was decided that AS and GR would put the structure together and would write to organisations who arrange events within Civic Week. All groups would be responsible for their own events. Planning work would need to start in January. This was seen as an interim measure to allow Civic Week to continue. Although GR and AS might take the lead, support would be needed from other DCC members. Sarah Covey, who has children at Dunbar Primary School, offered to assist.

EPOG – GR had circulated notes from a meeting with ELC. See 14 b).

5) Police Report

PC Ross and PC Stewart read out the Police Report.

The following report is based on incidents reported to police between 16th October and 20th November 2017 in the Dunbar Community Council area. During the period since the last police report there have been a few incidents of note in your area. There are more incidents but due to the nature of these or ongoing investigations I cannot give full details.

Road Safety

- On 14th November a multi car vehicle accident occurred on the A1 between Spott Roundabout and the cement works junction. The main cause of the collisions was the low sun and the cement works junction was not a factor.

- A road safety campaign recently took place, patrols were conducted by local officers at schools at the start and end of the day and during this 2 drivers were charged for not wearing seatbelts.

- About 09.10 on the 16th November a dog was knocked over and killed in a hit and run accident at the junction of Brodie Road and Moray Avenue, enquiries are ongoing in an effort to identify the driver of the vehicle that failed to stop.

Antisocial Behaviour

- Multiple calls to the police over a two-week period about fireworks being set off in the evening although only one report of fireworks being set off after the legal cut off of 11pm.

- A few complaints to police of eggs being thrown at houses but on the grapevine we are aware of multiple

unreported incidents.

Litter

- No reported issues

Theft

- About six shoplifting complaints, most relating to thefts of alcohol from Asda and the Countess Crescent Co-op.

- Many reports of thefts of bikes with most being recovered abandoned elsewhere in the town.

- Between the 4th and the 6th of November a sports car was stolen from Bayswell Road and recovered nearby, an attempt had been made to hotwire it.

Other issues:

- Misuse of Drugs act warrant executed at an address in Lammermuir Crescent and one female charged with possession of a class A drug.

- On the 5th November a male was seriously assaulted at the Black Bull Inn. CID are following a positive line of enquiry.

CAPP Priorities from 19th October

Youth disorder at High Street and Kellie Road areas

Speeding in East Linton

Increased quantity of intelligence regarding possible drug dealing and associated ASB

Next CAPP meeting 22nd November 2017.

Concerns were discussed regarding pupils from Dunbar Grammar School who ride in the dark without lights and wearing dark clothing. This had been highlighted in the school's weekly newsletter and teachers are monitoring the situation. Police Officers agreed to speak to the Grammar School and paper shops.

JB had been contacted by people concerned about speeding in Duke Street, Belhaven. Residents wondered if the street could be made one way with entry from Shore Road. PC Ross suggested that it was unlikely that cars were speeding due to the number of cars parked along the narrow street. However, they may be going too fast for the road conditions. He said that there was nothing Police could do. JB noted that a TRO would be needed to make the road a one way system which could be a lengthy process. Duke Street is part of the proposed 20mph zone.

JB noted concerns from members of the public regarding parking around Yosemite Park, including workmen parking on the pavement. PC Ross agreed to look at this.

SB noted problems had been reported regarding rough tarmac in Brodie Road. JB noted that she had already been in contact with ELC Transportation who had asked Persimmon to deal with this situation which had been the result of them having a temporary ramp for lorries to access their building site.

6) Vacancy

Interest from one person had been expressed on Facebook and from another via the website. GR and JB had sent information. Sara Covey attended this meeting as a follow up to her website enquiry and expressed an interest in joining DCC. She agreed to send a few words about herself to JB for circulation to DCC members. The vacancy will be dealt with in January 2018. **SC/JB**

7) Treasurer's report

a) Monthly Report - This had been circulated by AS prior to the meeting.

General Fund:

- The bank statement balance is **£1,177.27** (last month £1,297.27)
- The annual subscription to the Friends of John Muir's Birthplace has been paid.
- The other expenses paid were for the Minute Secretary's and the Secretary's expenses.
- The financial statement for 2016/17 has been signed off and submitted to East Lothian Council
- A letter of appreciation of the pro bono work undertaken by John Sparksman had been sent by the Chairman.

Christmas Lights Account:

- The bank balance currently stands at £16,440.42 (last month - £23,722.99)
- The expenditure in the period forms part of the Capital Project. The excellent results can already be seen in the High Street and these will be even more dramatic after Switch-On. Of even greater importance is the fact that the Christmas lights are so much safer than they were.
- The financial statement for 2016/17 has been signed off and submitted to East Lothian Council

Civic Week Account:

- The bank balance currently stands at £5,771.62 (no movement)
- There has been no recent activity on this account.
- The financial statement for 2016/17 has been signed off and submitted to East Lothian Council

b) Local Priorities

The LPF uncommitted Budget for 2017/18 is £9,681.38 (including a small carry over from 2016/17)

Local Priority Grant applications	Amount	Review	Decision
Dunbar Traditional Music Festival	£500	May	Awarded
Civic Week	£2,000	May	Awarded
Christmas Lights Revenue Grant	£2,000	May	Awarded
Hallhill - Pipe Band	£500	May	Awarded
The Reaching Out Group	£500	May	Awarded
Coast to Coast		May	Deferred
Dunbar Rugby Football Club	£500	May	Awarded
Dunbar Traders' Association	£500	May	Awarded
Dunbar Bowling Club	£300	July	Awarded

Woodland Group	£750	August	Awarded
1st Belhaven Brownies	£200	August	Awarded
Dunbar Primary School - Riding	£900	Sep	Awarded
Countess Youth Club	£300	Nov	
Dunbar Community Bakery	£500	Nov	
1st Dunbar Boys' Brigade	£498	Nov	

£9,948

Maximum Budget Total

£9,681

Comments:

1. There are three applications to consider this month.
2. Rotary in principle has expressed a willingness to support all or part of the two Youth projects. The Council should therefore consider the merits of the three applications without worrying about the apparent shortfall of funds. The allocation of available funds can be done once it becomes clearer which Project(s) Rotary wishes to support.
3. Unless one or more of these projects are rejected there will be no further Local Priority grants in the current financial year.

Following the October meeting, AS had to advise the Community Bakery and Countess Youth Club that their applications had been deferred until the November meeting.

New Applications:-

Countess Youth Club – request for £300 equipment to fit out a “chill out” area for young people. JB had advised of other funding sources.

Dunbar Community Bakery – £500 requested for equipment and alterations required to meet ELC Environmental Health standards. JB had advised of other funding sources and some funding has already been requested/provided from elsewhere.

1st Dunbar Boys Brigade – £498 requested for backpacking tents.

As the meeting was not quorate, it was agreed to defer decisions on the new applications until the December 2017 meeting. JB agreed to advise applicants of this. **JB**

8) Secretary's Report This had been circulated by JB prior to the meeting.

Town Maintenance

- 1) Bollard in Queens Road- a replacement has been ordered. It seems that ELC are moving to a new design and bulk buying them.
- 2) Queens Road wall. Still to be repaired. Four Seasons Estates Manager in Glasgow is getting quotes to seek budget for repair next year. The Ridge would be willing to give a quote for the work and he has been advised of this.

- 1) Condition of Fairfield, Beveridge Row – still to be sorted
- 2) Overgrown hedge in Lammermuir Crescent. Has been cut back.
- 3) Hospital Road – still needs repair
- 4) Numerous broken lights reported for repair. Some have been repaired and others are outstanding. Problems with ELC Report it website also reported as it crashed.
- 5) Bus timetables – still being chased as missing at most stops, particularly Borders Buses. An outdated Perryman timetable has now been removed at Grahame Place.
- 6) Broken street sign – East Links Lane – has been replaced
- 7) Overgrown ransom strip near Cala development – reported to ELC and Cala. Craig Lynes at Cala will look into this.
- 8) Overgrown hedgerow in Spott Road – reported to ELC. Calum Redpath has advised that the area out with the 30mph limit is the responsibility of Roads. They normally cut a metre wide strip in such areas 2 or 3 times a year. An old style post and wire fence makes cutting with a mower difficult and this area has to be strimmed. Thus it tends to be only done when the vegetation becomes a problem for road traffic safety.
- 9) Large metal pipe on grass near the junction of Belhaven Road and Beveridge Row – has been removed
- 10) Damage at the Bleachingfield following the fair, including a broken lighting bollard reported to ELC following a complaint from a member of the public. Due to the extent of damage ELC will keep the deposit to cover the costs of repairs.
- 11) Bench at Doon Avenue. Request for a bench had been made by a member of the public. It seems a previous bench had been removed. Stuart Pryde will look out for a refurbished one unless somebody wishes to pay for a memorial bench.
- 12) Overfull recycling bin at High Street and broken lid. Following contact with Tom Reid at Waste Services the bins were emptied and the broken pod will either be repaired or replaced.
- 13) Uneven tarmac in Brodie Road. This had been noted by Gillian Heavie. It is due to a temporary ramp left at the time of house building and it is a traffic hazard. Calum Redpath at ELC Roads advises that Persimmon have been asked to make the tarmac good at the earliest opportunity.

Other

Cycle paths around housing south of the railway line. Gavin Howat has sent maps regarding this. JB has put him in contact with Mark James of the Dunbar Cycling Group who is interested in his ideas. JB has also made contact with Suzanne Forup of Cycling UK. Hopefully the ideas can be worked up as a project for consideration by DELAP.

Bus Forum – JB will attend the next meeting on November 28th. She will again raise the bus stop information issue. **JB**

Junction at Kings Court – Concern from Siobhan Grealy that traffic is turning out the wrong way from Kings Court and going the wrong way down the one-way system. Reports also on social media. JB has contacted ELC and Police. Marshall Greenshields will arrange for signage and road markings.

Speeding in Duke Street Belhaven. JB has noted to concerned residents that this is in the proposed 20mph area. Residents would like it to be one way with entrance from Shore Road. JB noted the need for a TRO to do this and that it would need community support. JB has contacted ELC and Police.

Future of Community Councils – JB is attending a workshop in Edinburgh on November 23rd. This is one of a number of events being held across Scotland. **JB**

9) Matters Arising

a) Planning Matters

Updates

i) Local Plan – no further information. The LDP is still with Reporter and decisions are expected in 2018. The Reporter has requested information on some matters from ELC Planning Officers.

ii) Application at Newtonlees Farm – This had been passed on the casting vote of Cllr Hampshire on 7th November despite recommendation for refusal by ELC planners. JB had spoken on behalf of the Community Council in objection to the application. Planning Consent is in principal only. A detailed application will need to be submitted once a house builder has been identified.

Cllr Hampshire noted that the cemetery land still needed to be transferred to ELC from the landowner. SEPA require further monitoring of water quality at the cemetery site before removing their objections.

Members noted concerns about the application and Cllr Hampshire's casting vote given the opposition of DCC and the wider community. The integrity of the current LDP and the forthcoming LDP was raised as this site had not been in either. It was noted that Gladman could have appealed but that the community could not. There was concern that the decision created a precedent for other developers to target East Lothian sites out with the LDP. Concern was expressed about the lack of infrastructure including public transport, roads (particularly Queens Road, Spott Road and the cement works junction) and sewage. There was also concern about the loss of further agricultural land and the coalescence of Broxburn hamlet and properties at Newtonlees into wider Dunbar.

Cllr Hampshire noted that the development would bring a number of affordable properties although it could not be certain what kind of affordable homes (socially rented, shared equity) they might be.

Cllr Hampshire noted that the development would also bring vital cemetery ground. He said that the previous proposed extension near Deer Park at the Golf Club area had not proved possible to progress.

iii) Robertson/Avant Homes - Still no information from Scottish Water about alternative sewage disposal proposals.

iv) Battleblent House – no further information. Still to be determined.

v) Cala Development, Belhaven - There had been lots of problems with the roadworks and with safe pedestrian routes between West Barns and Belhaven. The inappropriate style of a new wall to replace the historic sandstone one had been reported to ELC by JB. Linda Ritchie at Planning had responded that the new wall was in keeping with the stone and colour of the new houses.

vi) Planning in Conservation Areas.

McColls (17/00713.LBC, 17/00714/ASV, 17/00715/P) Still to be determined

17/00804/LBC & 17/00742/P – windows at 57 High Street. This had been passed. It had not been called in although DCC had objected.

vii) 17/00488/PM – Erection of 73 houses and 8 flats on land south of Brodie Road, Dunbar. JB had submitted the views of the Community Council. Still to be determined.

viii) 17/00830/P Extension at Hillside Hotel. JB had submitted the objections of the Community Council to ELC Planning. It had been agreed despite this and other objections. It had not been called

in from the delegated list. It was noted that the extension potentially infringed the property of a neighbour. Cllr Hampshire said that he had advised the neighbour that any objection regarding ownership was a legal rather than a planning matter.

ix) 17/00292/P, 17/00011/LRB = Bear. This had been discussed at the LRB on 16th November. The vote had been 3 for (Currie, Findlay, Hampshire) and 1 against (Kempson). The application will need to go to the Reporter as approval is subject to removal of a footpath between the Bear and the A1 from the Plans. Access will need to be from the Retail Park.

x) Golf Club – GR had circulated an update from the Golf Club. They hope to submit an updated application in early 2018.

xi) 17/00976/P – Surf Academy. JB had circulated some of the 22 documents. DCC are supportive.

xii) NNG Windfarm – The Supreme Court had not been willing to hear the objection by RSPB and thus the windfarm has been given go ahead. However, the Marine Licence application continues to vary the number and height of turbines.

xiii) Fairbairns, Cossars' Wynd - Conversion to a house had been approved at LRB. There had been concern that if not given the go ahead the applicant might abandon the project and the historic building would fall into further decay.

SB had written to Angela Leitch, ELC Chief Executive, with concerns about the planning process regarding listed buildings without response. He has written further with concerns about DCC's views not being taken into account on a number of recent applications.

Paul Zochowski, ELC has responded to JB about planning in Conservation areas. There is general guidance which JB had circulated. ELC will provide further guidance when the LDP is in place. There is a colour palette for ELC conservation areas like the High Street. Paul Zochowski will send this for circulation to DCC.

c) East Beach

PS had circulated minutes of an East Beach Regeneration Group meeting outlining the current plans for work and the process.

A request from Marine Scotland for views on the Rock Armour for the sewer pipe had been received via the website on October 19th. JB had noted that DCC are supportive of a Marine Licence being granted to allow this work to proceed as soon as possible.

An exhibition is to be held at the Bleachingfield Centre from 16-30 November about the works and DSHNG will have an open drop in meeting from 5.30 – 6.30 in the Methodist Church Hall on 4th December.

d) Cemetery Issues

Deer Park. Gavin Wilson would still like a noticeboard. He has taken up broken gates which are in hand. He wishes disabled access to the pavilion and a disabled toilet at the cemetery. JB will contact him. **JB**

In the meantime, the cemetery application at *Newtonlees* has been approved (see above) although SEPA still want more monitoring of ground water at the site.

Parish Church. Stuart Pryde, ELC had still not responded to WC regarding his questions about the wildflower pilot. WC would like to know if the experiment will be extended to other parts of the cemetery. Cllr Hampshire agreed to follow this up again. **NH**

e) Parks

Winterfield – JB had attended the Friends of Winterfield (FOW) meeting on 17th October where Sue Anderson had reported back on her meeting on August 22nd with Bruce Allison and other ELC staff - Neil Clark (Landscape & Countryside), Gordon Whitelaw, Benjy Barsanti (Sports Development Officer). A wish list from FOW linked to PS's plan had been submitted and the others present at the meeting had also made suggestions. Sue had had an email from Bruce asking for comments on the suggestions so that he could draw up a masterplan for wider discussion and arrange a further meeting. This was discussed and Sue agreed to submit the amended wish list to Bruce Allison. JB and others shared concerns about the slow process which may impinge on available funding. Sue had also agreed to suggest to Bruce Allison that DCC and DELAP should be involved. A meeting has now been arranged for November 22nd which JB will attend.

GR had contacted Osprey to renovate worn lettering on the Compass Rose. This had been done.

Lauderdale – Further concerns have been raised about the lack of toilet facilities. These had been passed by JB to Stuart Pryde, ELC, without response.

f) Common Good Buildings (Corn Exchange and St Margaret's) – no update given. It was noted that winter is coming and repairs are still outstanding at the Corn Exchange.

g) Belhaven Hospital

JB had previously circulated minutes of the Belhaven Forum meetings held on September 26th and October 24th.

JB, SB and GR had attended a Forum meeting on October 24th. Work is still ongoing by a Project team on the longer-term vision for sites across East Lothian including Belhaven. Costings are being prepared for different shorter-term options for Ward 2.

SB had contacted Alison MacDonald of NHS and Peter Murray, Chair of East Lothian IJB, about the care issues raised regarding specific patients at the October DCC meeting. They had agreed to do what they could.

h) War Memorial - no update available due to the absence of HC.

i) Dunbar High Street – no further information.

j) Town Maintenance

i) Information Boards at the Jubilee Fountain, Brownie Garden, The Glebe – need repair. Stuart Pryde, ELC is looking into their replacement using the original information. He hopes to have this done by March 2018. There will be no cost to the Community Council.

SB Noted that renovation of General Wingate's tombstone is in hand.

ii) Flags – in hand – SB.

iii) Information Board about the Lochend Arch at the Community Woodland – in hand

k) Restoration of Provost Portraits – no further information

l) Town House Picture – An unveiling event will be on December 18th.

m) Ash from Cement Works.

GR had contacted Tarmac and had circulated their response. JB had contacted Sarah Mietzitis at SEPA who is investigating the ash deposits and had circulated information. SEPA are making further investigations. GR and AS had visited the Cement Works and had circulated a report.

n) Star Awards – Nominations had been made by DCC.

10) Local Area Partnership

The report on Summers Cool 2017 had been circulated.

A Viridor Credits application for improving the Promenade had been turned down by the Viridor office in Taunton. JB had had contact with Paul Zochowski, Scottish Panel Chair, who had said that due to the high number of applications in the quarter those with lowest scores had been dropped from those to be presented to the Panel. He is trying to find out more. GR has made an application to WREN. Paul Zochowski had advised of the Suez Trust.

The East Lothian Partnership Structure, including the role of LAPs is to be reviewed.

Next DELAP is on 27th November.

11) Local Councillors Reports

Cllr Hampshire

Cllr Hampshire said that the Administration is working on trying to develop the Council budget, which is difficult. In the current year's budget, there are already overspends in Adult Social Care and Children's Services. The draft budget will be looked at by ELC Cabinet in January 2018 and the new budget will be set in February 2018. ELC are working with COSLA. The announcement on Local Authority funding will be made by Scottish Government on 14th December. Options are being put together. There could be a budget gap of up to £39m. ELC will have an on line consultation. ELC will consider new income streams.

Cllr Kempson – nothing to add to Cllr Hampshire's report

Cllr McLennan – No report

12) Licensing

Winterfield Golf Club Variation of Premises Licence This had been approved.

The premises licence of a Dunbar hostelry will be reviewed on November 26th unless the annual fee is paid.

13) Bowe Cup and Community Council Awards

SB had circulated information for criteria to be considered.

The Bowe Cup is awarded to a young person who has demonstrated exceptional achievement. On rare occasions it had been jointly awarded. It was agreed to only award it to those living within the Royal Burgh of Dunbar. It was felt that it should not be awarded to the same person more than once. Further achievements might be marked by a Certificate of Merit. There was discussion about the cut off age and there was a suggestion of people up to their 26th birthday in line with other

concessionary allowances e.g. Young Scot. It was noted that 2018 will be the Scottish Year for the Young Scot.

Community Council Awards for Adults have been awarded to people within the school catchment area.

WC felt that SB's criteria needed more clarification e.g. how to consider teams where some members may be without the Dunbar Area.

It was felt that a group to look at potential award winners would be beneficial. This might include staff at DGS and others with knowledge of youth organisations and activities. It was felt important not to rule out young people who may not be educated at DGS but live in the area. It was suggested that DCC members should look to be aware of potential award winners throughout the year.

It was agreed that each application should be considered on its own merit.

As the meeting was not quorate it was felt this issue needed further discussion at a future meeting.

14) Reports from Committees/Meetings Attended

a) Carers of East Lothian AGM – JB and GR had attended on November 2nd. CoEL continues to support carers across the County. It also contributes to the work of the IJB and Health and Social Care Partnership. Following the formal business there was a presentation and discussion on the forthcoming Carer's Legislation due to come into force on 1st April 2018 and the strategies that East Lothian will need to put into place to meet the new requirements. As yet the level of funding available and clear guidelines on responsibilities have not been made clear by the Scottish Government. East Lothian currently has an ongoing consultation on its carer strategy and eligibility criteria via the consultation hub on the ELC website.

b) EPOG - GR and SB had met with Gordon Oliver (Protective Services Manager, ELC) and Jackie Gardiner (Economic Development, ELC) on October 23rd. They had discussed implications of the new paperwork for local community events like Civic Week and Christmas Lights. As the umbrella organiser of Civic Week DCC will need to ensure that groups organising events have insurance and that food hygiene certificates are in place for those selling food and refreshments. A new form is being devised.

c) Talking Tomorrow. PS and JB had attended the first of the discussions on November 1st. The subject had been Food. Following showing of the French Film *Demain* which looks at world challenges on a range of themes and global responses to them there were presentations by local groups with a food theme and discussions about ways for Dunbar to progress food based projects. Suggestions included a map of where to forage for wild food and a seed sharing system.

GR and JB had attended a 2nd meeting on Energy and Transport with ideas promoted by local groups. Suggestions included local cycle paths and provision for local turbines.

d) Tarmac GR and AS had visited the Cement works and provided a report. JB had circulated information from Sarah Mietzitis of SEPA following the recent ash incident.

e) Bleachingfield – AGM had been held. SB remains the Chair.

15) Correspondence – previously circulated

- **Local People Leading** – Newsletters

- **Lilian Pryde – Community Council Research – Regional Workshops Edinburgh 6.30-8.30 on November 23rd**. JB will attend. She has suggested a discussion should be held in East Lothian.

- **Miriam Anderson, NHS** – Invitation to East Lothian Community Hospital update as part of the

Haddington and Lammermuir LAP Annual Public Meeting 7 pm on 2nd November

- **Sustaining Dunbar** – Invitation to Talking Tomorrow discussion evenings
- **Via Facebook – Romie Blair** – asking for reinstatement of bench at Doon Avenue. JB contacted Stuart Pryde at ELC.
- **Via Website – Marine Scotland** – Seeking DCC views on Rock Armour for the East Beach. JB responded.
- **Dunbar Twinning Association** – newsletter
- **Via website – Lothian Buses** – East Coast Buses have won awards at the National Transport Awards
- **Christine Dora, ELC** – Participatory Budgeting Event in Musselburgh on 3rd November
- **Via Website** – Osbert Lancaster, Sustaining Dunbar – Talking Tomorrow events
- **LAP – Summers Cool 2017 Report**
- **Via Website – Frank Mitchell, East Coast FM** – Request for funding towards hospital radio at the new Roodlands Hospital. JB had sent a Local Priorities Application form. Request subsequently withdrawn but another approach will be made in due course.
- **Via Facebook – Jane Lockett** – Concerns about the condition of the Bleachingfield after the fair. Damage to the grass with litter and a broken lamp post. JB had passed to Stuart Pryde. She had advised Mrs Lockett that ELC take the costs of putting right damage from the deposit paid by the fair organisers. In this case all the deposit will be kept due to the amount of damage.
- **Via Facebook- Gavin Wilson** – Concerns about speeding in Queens Road passed to Police. Concerns about disability access to the pavilion and lack of disabled access toilet at Deer Park cemetery.
- **Jo Moulin** – Request to have fire evacuation practice/annual reminder of lock up process at 6.30pm on December 18th.
- **Via Facebook – Siobhan Grealy** – Concerns about traffic from Kings Court turning the wrong way down the one way system. JB had contacted ELC. Temporary signage will be erected asp before permanent arrangements can be made.
- **Stuart Gibb, ELC** – seeking urgent contact details for Fireworks organisers for EPOG. JB had advised it is the Round Table and following publicity on FB had made contact with Gerard McPhillips who arranged to meet Derek Oliver at EPOG. The Fireworks event went ahead.
- **Via Facebook – Sally Blyth**. Concerns about speeding in Duke Street Belhaven and asking for the street to become one way. JB had responded and had contacted Police and ELC.
- **Paul Zochowski, ELC** – Information on planning in conservation areas. Information on colour protocol for the conservation area.
- **Christine Dora, ELC- Consultation on Scottish Diet and Obesity Strategy**. Closes 31/1/18
- **Hazel Boak, ELC** – Invitation for 2 to attend Provost's Reception on 14th December
- **Via Facebook – Ian Malcolm, Aberlady**. Seeking contact details at ELC for 20 mph pilots. JB had given information.
- **Via website – Ryan Deighan, Army Cadets** – Seeking information on Remembrance Parade. JB had sent information and British Legion contact details.
- **Via Website – Barbara Huszar**, Student at Edinburgh College of Art – Seeking Information on Barns Ness area. JB and GR had supplied information and contact details for Dunbar History Society, John Gray Centre etc.
- **Via Website – Angela Gray, Armadale** – requesting a Housing application form. JB had given contact details for ELC Housing and ELHA.
- **Via Website – Calum Marr, Heriot Watt** – Heriot Watt University Active Ageing Study. GR publicised on social media.
- **Gavin Howat** – maps of possible footpath and cycleways
- **Via Facebook – Lynsey Moody** – Interest in joining DCC. JB and GR had sent information

- **Jake Maxwell** – Follow up on High Street Parking issues. JB had updated.
- **Via Website – Jo Demer**, Unit Leader, 1st Dunbar Rangers – seeking funding for troop set up. JB had sent a Local Priorities form.
- **Paul Beveridge** – Information on Gladman application at Bannockburn
- **Sandy Baptie, ELC** – Weather update
- **Via Facebook – Gillian Heavie** – Concerns about road surface in Brodie Road – JB had passed to ELC Transportation
- **Via Facebook - Charles Reid** – Seeking information on accommodation for a friend doing a sponsored walk. JB had supplied information.
- **Via Website – Bob Carpenter** – seeking accommodation for walkers. JB had supplied information
- **Sue Northrop** – DFEL Newsletter
- **Dave Williamson, The Scottish Flag Trust**- Information on Exhibition at the John Gray Centre
- **Lothian Buses** – newsletter
- **Torness** – newsletter
- **Via Pippa** – Information on the DTA/ELC Town Catalyst CIC
- **Via Website** – Craig Munro – Student at Stirling University – seeking information on Torness. JB had supplied information.
- **Via Website** – David Pettigrew. Strange message about an ELC Councillor. No action to be taken.
- **Lilian Pryde, ELC**– Association of EL Community Councils meeting in North Berwick on 22/11.
- **Brake** – Newsletter
- **Via Facebook – Romie Blair** – Seeking information on Dunbar Foodbank. JB had given information.
- **Via Website – Sara Covey**. Interest in joining DCC. JB had sent information. She had attended tonight's meeting.

16) AOCB

Provost Reception on 14th December – SB and GR to attend. JB will advise ELC **JB**

17) Date of Next Meeting - December 18th.

Mainstream Reps will come to discuss the NNG Off Shore Windfarm.

A fire evacuation practice will be conducted by Jo Moulin at 6.30pm.

There will be a formal handover of the Town House picture.