



## MINUTES OF MEETING

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021

7 pm by Zoom Conference Call

Ref	Item	
1.00	<p><b>SEDERUNT</b> Pippa Swan (PS)(Chair), Graham Adams (GA)(Vice Chair), Alasdair Swan(AS) (Treasurer) ,Jacquie Bell (JB)(Secretary) George Robertson (GR), Gill Wilson (GW), Stephen Bunyan (SB) Herbert Coutts (HC) Ben Thomas (BT) Kevin Searle (KS) Cllr Norman Hampshire (NH), Cllr Paul McLennan (PMc), Cameron Ritchie (Press)</p> <p><i>In line with Government instructions for the protection of the public from the risk of Covid19 infection, public meetings are prohibited. DCC therefore meeting by video link. Minutes will be made available to the public in the normal way and will be ratified at the first DCC meeting to be held after the lifting of prohibitions.</i></p>	
1.01	Welcome – PS welcomed all to the meeting.	
1.02	Apologies – Loretta Stewart . Craig Rapson, Mike Shaw, Rev Keith Mills – (members of the Public)	
2.00	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>	
2.01	<u>Councillors declaring an interest</u> in matters to be discussed: NONE	
3.00	<b>MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021</b>	
3.01	<u>Amendments</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NONE</li></ul>	
3.02	<u>Adoption - ADOPTED</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proposed - GA</li><li>• Seconded - KS</li></ul>	
3.03	<u>DCC Action Review</u> (For Councillor actions, see Councillor reports) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AS/JB had made various payments</li><li>• JB had submitted DCC views to ELC on various Planning applications</li><li>• The Planning Committee expected for the Bayswell Road flats on June 29th had been cancelled for a 3<sup>rd</sup> time. New date awaited.</li><li>• JB had fed back to Natalie Walker at Scottish Water re the Water Tap project</li><li>• BT,JB,PS had discussed the Energy Trust Electric bike Funding with Michael Naysmith of ELC and Cllr Hampshire (See Meetings attended)</li></ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JB had published ELC information on Community Council elections on Social Media.</li> <li>• GA had developed a programme of activities for young people. This will be funded ultimately from the Covid Funds. GA and JB had given local publicity.</li> </ul>	
3.04	<u>Matters arising not covered in agenda</u> NONE	
<b>4.00</b>	<b>ELC COUNCILLOR REPORTS</b>	
4.01	<p><u>Norman Hampshire</u></p> <p>1. Action Update –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No action required from last meeting</li> </ul> <p>2. Report</p> <p><b>ELC Recess.</b> NH reported that ELC was on recess and he was on holiday until July 26<sup>th</sup>. However, vital services were continuing.</p> <p><b>Planning –</b></p> <p><b>Golf Club.</b> Plans will soon be submitted to ELC. These include proposals for a new club house and 9 hole course and other infrastructure. There will also be housing in partnership with Cala. Much of the proposals are the same as had been consented some years ago. However, material changes have led to the need for a new application which has been delayed by Covid.</p> <p><b>Hallhill North.</b> This was still being worked on and will be expected to come to Planning Committee soon. A new underpass access below the East Coast Mainline is being considered between the new development and the Tree Scheme.</p> <p><b>Toilets –</b> There was a long discussion. There had been many complaints from the public that only the disabled cubicle was open at Bayswell Road. NH noted the impact of Covid on staffing. Some staff were having to self isolate leading to shortages of peripatetic staff to cover the toilets across the County. He said that staff were doing 12 hour shifts. In the past ELC had used relief staff from Agencies but the Agencies had not been able to supply any staff to assist. JB noted her contacts with ELC Facilities Management who had noted that there were a number of staff vacancies. These had been recruited for and following training it was hoped the staffing situation would be resolved by the end of July.</p> <p>PS noted contact from Rev Diana Hall of St Anne’s who had suggested a team of volunteers to assist. JB noted that she had mentioned this but ELC had discounted the as volunteers would need training on matters like Health and safety and handling chemicals as well as insurance. NH had echoed that the use of volunteers would not be possible due to the need for training and the nature of the work which had required to be more robust since Covid. PS said that she would write to Rev Hall to advise of this.</p> <p>PS asked if the number of visits per day to quiet units could be reduced to give further cover at busy ones. NH said he could ask about this..</p> <p>NH said that as an interim measure notices would be placed at the Bayswell Road toilets to say that the toilets at the Leisure Centre could be used when open and that he would action this. HC noted that perhaps ELC could have made this information available sooner.</p> <p><b>Be Kind –</b> NH noted that ELC services and local businesses alike were facing staffing issues related to staff having to self isolate. In addition, many ELC staff were working from home which could mean response times being slower. He asked that the public be understanding and courteous.</p>	<p>PS</p> <p>NH</p> <p>NH</p>

4.02	<p><u>Sue Kempson</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Action Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No action required from last meeting</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Report – Not Present. No Report</li> </ol>	
4.03	<p><u>Paul McLennan</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Action Update – DTA Funding for Post Covid Tourism Support. DTA had been allowed to apply for funding support.</li> <li>2. Report <p><b>Train Services.</b> PMc noted the ongoing campaign regarding proposed reductions to Dunbar rail services. There had been a number of meetings of MSPs with community activists. JB had been attending as a member of DCC and East Lothian Community Rail Partnership. The 3 MSPs (PMc, Craig Hoy and Martin Whitfield) had been having discussions with Holyrood and Westminster Ministers and rail operators. A joint letter had been produced to send to the Westminster Transport Minister.</p> <p>PMc advised that the public consultations by Cross Country , LNER and TransPennine were still ongoing until August 5th and he urged DCC members to respond. JB agreed to recirculate information on the consultation links. She noted the benefits of the cross party approach to the issue in seeking a resolution from the rail operators. (See Community Report (9.02)</p> <p>PMc also noted contacts with LNER regarding the need to adopt Scottish Covid regulations once over the Scottish Border rather than the less restrictive English one e.g, on mask wearing and social distancing.</p> <p><b>Tourism Pressures-</b> PMc noted issues at the tourist hot spots over recent sunny weekends e.g, parking including campervans, litter and wild camping. NH spoke of the abuse Rangers etc had faced when dealing with the public.</p> <p>NH said that wild camping was legal. Members felt that the issue was the need for education about how to wild camp responsibly. Many did but others did not and they left issues of excrement and debris including tents for others to clear.</p> <p>There was a discussion about bin provision. JB noted the amount of rubbish gathered by DAL. NH said that the situation will be monitored to see if waste bins should be provided.</p> </li> </ol>	<b>JB</b>
4.04	<p><u>Questions to Councillors</u></p> <p>Concerns about toilet facilities and tourism pressures had been raised within discussion on the Councillor reports.</p>	
5.00	<p><b>TREASURER’S REPORT – circulated by email in advance of DCC Meeting (AS) See Community Report 1.00</b></p> <p><b>Annual Accounts</b> AS had circulated the draft Annual Accounts for questions and discussion. DCC should submit any questions in the next 48 hours. AS will then submit them to Paul Ronan, the Independent Examiner and then to ELC.</p>	ALL/AS
5.01	<p><b><u>Requests for Support for consideration:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Local Priorities Fund –</u></b></p> <p>Police Scotland had been paid for the Pop Up Cop. DCC had been refunded by the other 3 Community Councils. There was a small balance after the payment had been made. It was agreed that this should be paid from the Local Priorities Fund.</p> <p><b><u>New Applications - None</u></b></p>	

	<p><b>Community Benefits Fund</b>  <b>Meeting July 15<sup>th</sup></b> (See Community Report)  Applications had been approved for the Battery Garden (Dunbar Harbour Trust) and a Hedgehog Project (Sustaining Dunbar). These payments had been made following the meeting. A note of thanks had been received from Naomi Barnes of Sustaining Dunbar.</p>	
5.02	<p><u>Matters arising/questions:</u>  NONE</p>	
6.00	<p><b>COMMUNITY REPORT – circulated by email in advance of DCC Meeting and addended (JB)</b>  The Community Report provides information and updates on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>DCC Finances</i></li> <li>• <i>Community Police</i></li> <li>• <i>Planning</i></li> <li>• <i>DCC Initiatives/Projects</i></li> <li>• <i>Community Projects</i></li> <li>• <i>Health and Social Care Provision</i></li> <li>• <i>Roads and Infrastructure maintenance</i></li> <li>• <i>Record of meetings attended</i></li> <li>• <i>Correspondence received</i></li> </ul>	
6.01	<p><u>Matters arising/questions other than Planning and Licensing Matters:</u>  NONE</p>	
7.00	<p><b>PLANNING AND LICENSING MATTERS - circulated by email in advance of DCC Meeting as part of COMMUNITY REPORT (JB)</b></p>	
7.01	<p><u>Planning Applications for consideration/discussion:</u>  <b>Dunbar Golf Club</b> – DGC wished to give a presentation to DCC. It was agreed that this should be at a separate meeting. PS will contact DGC’s agents, APT, to arrange this.  <b>SP Energy Networks – Torness East Link.</b> Consultation sessions will be held online in August. (See Community Report 3.01)  <b>Hallhill North/Bayview Circus</b> – JB noted issues that had arisen at Bayview Circus since the road had opened up on July 12<sup>th</sup>. The Planning Conditions for Bayview Circus were being checked with ELC as there could be implications for roads infrastructure being considered for Hallhill North. (See Community Report 3.01)</p>	<p>PS</p> <p>JB</p>
7.02	<p><u>Licensing Applications for Consideration/Discussion</u>  None</p>	
8.00	<p><b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b></p>	
8.01	<p><u>Community Council Elections</u>  The timetable for elections had been notified. PS was aware of the possibility that there may be at least 4 vacancies on DCC. ELC were leading on the elections in conjunction with AELCC. JB had shared initial publicity on DCC and other Social media. An article had appeared in The Courier on 15/7. Ralph Averbuch of AELCC had circulated more information on the timetable which JB had shared on 19/7. ELC/AELCC had been looking for positive stories about Community Council achievements to use in a campaign.  JB noted that a number of longstanding members of other Community Councils were thinking to stand down. Some felt that the Community Councils had not had the same level of support for their work in recent years in contrast to the Area Partnerships. There was a long discussion as to how DCC might promote its work and seek new members.  GR said that DCC had a higher profile now than at the time of the last election in 2016. The website and also JB’s work on social media had been effective. DCC was now seen as a “Go To” place for information and to raise concerns.  The regular coverage in the Courier was also felt to be helpful.</p>	

	<p>GA noted concerns that Community Council work was not always easy for those who worked/had family commitments. He noted that some meetings were in the daytime e.g. Safety Advisory Group meetings. This meant taking time off work. NH/PMc noted that some Officers would attend evening meetings but if they did they had to take TOIL. They agreed to speak to ELC Managers again about this.</p> <p>There was a discussion about inclusion of young people e.g from the School. It was noted that youngsters had been involved in the past both at DCC and DELAP. However, this had fallen away. There was discussion as to where young people may be sourced from. GW queried if there was a DGS Debating Society. Youngsters linking through Duke of Edinburgh or other Award Schemes may be possible. Although the community element of these was often short term it may be feasible for them to become involved in short term projects.</p> <p>It was suggested that VCEL or Helen Harper (Community Development Worker) may be able to advise on engagement with young people and the Award Schemes in operation.</p>	NH/PMc
8.02	<p><u>War Memorial</u> Committee HC expressed disappointment that DCC had not agreed at the June 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting to the establishment of a sub committee to oversee the 3 memorials and the war graves at the Parish Church. 3 members of DCC had been willing to be involved and there was interest from others in the community including Will Collin, Royal British Legion and Dunbar History Society. There was a long discussion in which opinions differed. GW felt that Remembrance was important. Others felt that although the memorials were important and the interest of those involved was valued, was there justification for status as a formal sub committee of DCC in the same way as the Christmas Lights or Civic Week.</p> <p>SB queried if the remit might be widened to other areas of heritage interest e.g. the Mercat Cross.</p> <p>GA queried the sustainability of a formal sub committee if those with interest now moved on and there was no succession plan in place.</p> <p>It was queried if a decision should be taken by the incoming DCC after the election on October 7<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>It was agreed that HC would prepare a Proposal Paper to present to DCC.</p>	HC
<b>9.00</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b>	
9.01	<p>Some DCC members will be on holiday in August and it was therefore agreed to hold the next DCC meeting on</p> <p><u>20<sup>th</sup> September 2021</u></p> <p>This will be the last meeting before the elections for the new Community Council.</p>	



## COMMUNITY REPORT June 2021

This report is compiled by DCC Secretary, Jacque Bell, and is updated monthly in advance of DCC Open Meetings. Questions or queries may be addressed to:

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<b>1.00</b>	<b>DCC FINANCE REPORT</b>																		
1.01	<p><b><u>DCC and Sub-Committee Accounts</u></b> AS had circulated his Report by e mail</p> <p><b><i>General Account</i></b> The Bank Balance at the end of June was £85,016.90 <b>The Restricted Funds</b> held within the General Account at the end of the month were</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Community Windpower Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£60,123</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Covid Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 9,889</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Access For All Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 759</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Local Priorities Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 12,383</td> </tr> <tr> <td>War Memorial Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 293</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dunbar Against Litter</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 279</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS</b></td> <td style="text-align: right;"><b>£83,726</b></td> </tr> </table> <p><b>The Unrestricted Funds</b> held within the General Fund at the end of the month end were</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Balance in the General Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£1,291</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b></td> <td style="text-align: right;"><b>£1,291</b></td> </tr> </table> <p>The Summer activities programme organised by Dunbar Hockey Club (GA) will be paid from the Covid Fund in the coming months.</p> <p>The Spring Fling programme had been paid out of the General Fund but monies will be repaid by DTA.</p> <p>Police Scotland had been paid for the Pop Up Cop.</p> <p><b><i>Civic Week Account</i></b> The bank balance at the month end stood at £7,687.05 Civic Week was a success with 3 Covid Friendly competitions and a Treasure Hunt along the High Street which proved to be very popular.</p>	Community Windpower Fund	£60,123	Covid Fund	£ 9,889	Access For All Fund	£ 759	Local Priorities Fund	£ 12,383	War Memorial Fund	£ 293	Dunbar Against Litter	£ 279	<b>TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>	<b>£83,726</b>	Balance in the General Fund	£1,291	<b>TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>	<b>£1,291</b>
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The Local Priorities Fund has held a £2000 Guarantee against loss. Much of this will be released once the competition prizes are finalised.

***Christmas Lights Account***

The bank balance at the month end stood at £16,614.23

Payments in the month amounted to £6,852

The net cash outflow in the month was £2,562

£660 was transferred from the General Fund to the Christmas Lights Account on 18<sup>th</sup> July.

***Dunbar Against Litter Account***

The bank balance at the month end was £1,956.35

**Annual Accounts** – AS had circulated the Draft Annual Accounts. They will be submitted to Paul Ronan, the Independent Examiner and then to ELC.

1.02 **Local Priorities Grant Scheme update**  
**Updates**

The Current Year Fund	£10020
Brought Forward Fund	£ 6678
<b>Maximum Budget Total</b>	<b>£16878</b>

Committed or under review on 8<sup>th</sup> June - £ 8915

Local Priorities Fund Available £7963

**New Applications - None**

1.03 **Dunbar Community Benefit Fund**  
**Update**

An application had been submitted to Community Windpower for the next instalment of the Community Benefit Fund. £8,918 of the £60,123 has already been committed but it is still to be paid.

AS had submitted the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly report to Community Windpower

The European Stone stacking Championships had gone ahead on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> July.

The Dunbar Music Festival has been given approval to go ahead.

AS, PS and JB had met at the pool with staff from enjoyleisure for handover of the new wheelchair.

A Press release from Jennifer Jarvie of enjoyleisure had been approved for publication by Community Windpower.

**Meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> July.** AS,JB,GA,HC,GW,GR had attended

There were 3 applications.

*Halhill Healthy Living Centre- Hallhill Ltd* – £5000 -Funding for extension. There was a long discussion. It was agreed to ask DCC members who had not been at the meeting for their views.

*Dunbar Harbour Trust* – £1214-50 -Battery Garden Renewal -APPROVED

*Sustaining Dunbar* - £738 for Dunbar Hedgehog Project - APPROVED

In addition, a further application from Dunbar Craft Centre and Community Shed had been circulated.. AS will discuss further with the applicant.

It was noted that the European Stone stacking competition had gone ahead.

	<p>It was noted that Dunbar Music Festival would be going ahead subject to a meeting of the ELC SAG.</p> <p>AS/JB had made the payments to Dunbar Harbour Trust and Sustaining Dunbar. A note of thanks had been received from Naomi Barnes of Sustaining Dunbar.</p>
<b>2.00</b>	<b>COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT</b>
2.01	<u>Police Report</u> – No Report was received from PC Hutchison
2.02	<p><u>Community and Police Partnership (CAPP)</u> – Meeting Held on 6<sup>th</sup> July. JB had attended PC Hutchison updated on actions following the previous meeting. He noted that he and his Community colleague had been used as Response Officers elsewhere during the period. PC Hutchison had raised the lack of attendance by ELC Councillors at CAPP meetings with his Area Commander.</p> <p><u>Panel Agreed Priorities (Official Confirmation awaited from PC Hutchison)</u></p> <p>Include Speeding, Antisocial behaviour</p> <p><u>Pop Up Jemima</u> – Police Scotland had been paid.</p> <p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u>- 17<sup>th</sup> August 2021</p>
2.03	<p><u>DCC Liaison with Police and Others</u></p> <p><u>Problem Solving Partnership Meeting</u> – There had been no meetings</p>
<b>3.00</b>	<b>PLANNING MATTERS</b>
3.01	<p><u>Particular Planning/Licensing Matters</u></p> <p><b>20/00939/P – Erection of 27 Flats at 9 Bayswell Road.</b> Discussion at Planning Committee on 29<sup>th</sup> June had been cancelled. New date awaited</p> <p><b>21/00821/LBC and 21/00744/P</b> – Formation of Hardstanding area and erection of a bench near Fishermen’s Monument. JB had circulated information. JB had submitted DCC views in support of the application.</p> <p><b>SP Energy Networks – Proposals for a Torness Eastern Link.</b> PS, AS, JB and GW met with representatives of SP Energy Networks and their Publicity Consultants, Grayling, on 30<sup>th</sup> June regarding proposals for a Substation , Conversion station and undersea cabling for an upgraded Grid Connection between East Lothian and Hawthorn Pit in Northumberland. Initial discussions regarding a site have been held with ELC Planners. A public consultation will be held in August. It is hoped to submit a Planning application for the substation in October 2021 and for the Conversion station in March 2022. A Marine Licence will be needed for the underground cables. The Team will also meet with East Lammermuir Community Council whose boundary the site will fall into. Members noted initial questions like impact on fishing grounds of the undersea work, road safety on the A1, accommodation for the many workers needed for construction and the cumulative impact of various Energy projects in the area. SP Energy Networks had since advertised consultation events in The Courier. JB had publicised these on social media.</p>
3.02	<p><u>Other Planning Matters to Note</u></p> <p><b>1. 20/00110/PM Halhill North</b> - To be determined. Further information had been requested by ELC/Transport Scotland on road and transport links. Planner Daryth Irving, had advised JB that, as yet, there was no date for the application coming to Planning Committee. Further information is still required from Taylor Wimpey. Bayview Circus residents have expressed opposition to use of the road as a route for traffic. Planning Conditions and a Road Safety Audi from the 2017 approval of the Cala estate indicate that the access onto Beveridge Row from Bayview Circus should be emergency access only. This has been fed back to Planning. Also of concern is the feasibility of any underpass below the East Coast mainline between the area and Ash Grove. A Feasibility Study in 2011 had deemed that the costs, risks and difficulty in gaining agreement from Network Rail were too high.</p>



2. **Castle Bay (Cala)** – Pavement still outstanding between Beveridge Row and Brewery Lane. ELC have had the funding for this since 2017. Alan Stubbs and Cllr Hampshire have advised that the pavement is in the programme for 2021-22. However, Peter Forsyth and Marshall Greenshields had said on 25<sup>th</sup> June that a solution was still to be found. Many planted trees have died. There have been issues with the capacity of the SUDS pond. The playpark is still not functional. Residents are unhappy with proposals for Bayview Circus to be a through route for traffic –( See Hallhill North.)
3. **Robertson Homes Safe Access Route** – Planning Enforcement Notice actioned by ELC. Permission for footpath works still required from Network Rail. They wish Robertson Homes to commit to 30 years maintenance funding for the bridge on the grounds of extra wear and tear. ELC have been given permission to do temporary surfacing.
4. **Kings Meadow Dangerous Playparks** – Issues continue. ELC Planning Enforcement still involved . The new owner of 2 of the Playparks, who had bought them by mistake from the auction house, is willing to sell to the residents but not all residents are willing to pay.
5. **15/00630/PM Robertson/Avant Site.** A planning condition of the approval had been planting to screen the Avant Homes from the lower level Walker homes. Avant have now planted some trees but screening is still needed between the Walker Homes and the affordable homes .A timescale for the work had been requested again from Avant by ELC Planning Enforcement. The need for a gate to prevent access to the Ransom Strip will be followed up by Planning Enforcement. JB had fed back to residents.  
Environmental Health continue to follow up sewage contamination issues at the SUDS Pond.  
Drainage issues continue at the site with regular flooding in heavy rain.
6. **14/00358/AM – Open space and playpark at Yosemite Park.** This was a planning condition of the Persimmon housing development. Planning Enforcement are involved. Persimmon have now given an indication of works to be done and a rough timescale. Starting in July. In the meantime, the area remains poorly maintained. The playpark surface is in dangerous condition. Persimmon suggest that work may be completed for handover to the Factor by autumn. JB is keeping local residents informed.
7. **20/00554/P and 20/00553/LBC**– Alterations to steading buildings at Broxmouth Estate to form wedding venue and accommodation. JB had circulated information for comment on 17/6. JB had submitted DCC supportive comments on 29/6/20. To be determined.
8. **Access routes from Albany Grange.** Chicane barriers are on order and will be put into place asp. JB had chased up with Taylor Wimpey on 28/6.
9. **20/00939/P- Proposals for 27 flats at 9 Bayswell Road.** Waiting on Planning Committee date.
10. **20/00916/P-** Formation of roads, paths, street lights and associated works at land east of Kellie Road roundabout. JB had circulated information and submitted collated views to ELC. To be determined.
11. **20/01271/P – Alterations to Coastguard Station for Holiday property.** JB had circulated information. This is a new application as there are material changes to the plans consented earlier in the year. JB had submitted DCC views. To be determined.
12. **21/00471/P – Broxmouth House. Use of South Lodge access as a change of the approved scheme of development 08/00369/FUL and removal of Condition 3 of that approved application.** To be determined. JB had submitted DCC views.
13. **21/00627/P – Erection of House in Garden Ground of Manor House, Belhaven.** The application had been resubmitted with further information. JB had submitted DCC views.
14. **08/00369/FUL- Request by applicant to extend Condition 1 by 1 year.** This is to allow an extra year, 4 years rather than 3, to commence works from the time of consent. Consent was granted in 2009 but ratified in December 2018 on completion of a S75. Thus the request is to extend the period from 2021 to 2022. It is noted that to date the applicant has not met condition 4 (to submit plans for an archaeological study prior to work commencing) or Condition 5 (to submit a scheme of landscaping). JB had submitted DCC views.
15. **21/00676/P- Broxmouth Estate.** Erection of 9 holiday lodges. JB had submitted DCC views.

	<p>16 <b>21/00821/LBC and 21/00744/P – Dunbar Harbour Trust. Formation of Hardstanding and erection of a bench near Fishermen’s Monument.</b> JB had circulated information. JB had submitted DCC views in support of the application.</p> <p>17 <b>Albany Grange Playpark and Knockabout Pitch near Alexander Gardens.</b> Residents of Alexander Gardens (Gospatrick Grange) had bought properties from Taylor Wimpey on the understanding that the area opposite their homes would be green space. They had now found that the area would be a playpark/kickabout pitch for the newer Taylor Wimpey estate of Albany Grange. There were concerns about this but a plan of 2012 showed the pitch and playpark. Residents of Albany Grange are concerned that there seemed to be no joined up thinking as the playpark for Gospatrick Grange at Torry Wynd is only 200 metres from the new one which had been formed from the Albany Grange Construction Compound. Discussion with Emma Taylor of ELC Planning indicated that the Alexander Gardens residents had no grounds for removal of the new playpark.</p>
3.03	<u>Licensing Matters to Note - None</u>
4.00	<p><b><u>DUNBAR AND EAST LINTON AREA PARTNERSHIP</u></b></p> <p>George Robertson is standing down as Chair. A new Chair is required from the October 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. Current Reps and substitutes had been approached to apply in the first instance . Should there be no interest from the current membership the position will be publicly advertised. Should the position be contested applicants will be asked to address the meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> August with a vote by DELAP members after the meeting.</p> <p>George will support a new Chair as they adapt to the role.</p> <p>A number of Memorial benches near the Leisure Pool and overlooking Victoria Harbour had been identified as being in need of refurbishment. They were added to the Amenities Priorities for 2021-22. However, the owners were untraceable and ELC did not have the budget for repairs. £811 from the DCC Communities Benefit Fund had been applied for an approved for repairs. The work is partially completed. – the manufacture of new metal legs is awaited for the last bench to be repaired.</p>
4.01	<p><b><u>Date of Next Business Meeting –</u></b> August 30<sup>th</sup></p>
5.00	<p><b><u>DCC INITIATIVES UPDATE</u></b> <i>Dunbar Community Council manages a number of projects and initiatives throughout the year.</i></p>
5.01	<p><u>Christmas Lights and High Street Team (including Corn Exchange)</u> The Team had erected the DTA hanging baskets in June.</p>
5.02	<p><u>Dunbar Civic Week</u> Various competitions had been held. Despite Covid restrictions the week had been successful with interest in the competitions from the community. Coverage had appeared in the Courier. GR thanked AS and PS for their help e.g. with the competitions.</p>
5.03	<p><u>Dunbar Against Litter–</u> Continue to be active in the community. JB had passed on concerns about the state of DunBear Park. Hallhill Developments had advised that landscaping and maintenance were part of the planning application package. However, they would try to seek an interim solution to the litter issues of the area. A request from JB for Hallhill developments to give a contribution to the work of DAL had seen no response. There had been major issues near the Bridge to Nowhere. Large bins had been regularly removed. Issues were compounded by campervan parking. JB had fed back to ELC Officers and Police.</p>

	<p>JB had advised Romie Blair of funding available through the East Lothian Community Lottery run by VCEL. Romie was to contact KS and AS regarding signing up as a local good cause to benefit from ticket sales through the scheme.</p>
5.03	<p><b><u>Community Resilience</u></b>  <b><u>Covid Response</u></b>  <b><i>New Wave Volunteers</i></b>- There had been no requests for assistance either from the community, via ELC Contact centre or via VCEL.  <b><u>ELC Community Recovery and Renewal Co-ordinating Group</u></b>- Meeting July 7<sup>th</sup>. JB had attended.  The meeting was aborted as only 7 people appeared of which JB was the only community attendee. JB was thanked by Sharon Saunders for her consistent attendance at all the meetings of the Group.  The main discussion was to have been on the draft Poverty Plan and it was not felt that there was sufficient representation to do this in a meaningful way. Paolo Vestri said he was willing to give presentations to interested Community Councils/Area Partnerships.  Sharon Saunders was to speak to Douglas Proudfoot about the continuation of the group. Some items on the Action card had been dealt with as services opened up. Attendance at the meetings had fallen significantly from both Council Officers and Partner Organisations.  Post the main meeting, JB spoke with Sharon regarding some issues relating to the Covid Vaccination programme, youth behaviour issues, tourism pressures and toilet facilities. Sharon was to feed this back to relevant individuals/organisations.  <i>Date of Next Meeting – August 25th</i>  <b><u>Spaces for People –</u></b>  PS had circulated updates from Morag Haddow.  The works proposed at Belhaven Road, DPS and Hallhill had not been progressed as a contractor had not been available to do the work.  Morag proposed to remove planters at Countess Crescent and replace them with bollards. JB and PS had noted that the road closure had been temporary due to Covid and queried if a formal consultation/TRO was needed. Morag had advised that this was the case. JB had noted that the closure had created a rat run along Countess Avenue.  Morag asked about removal of the picnic benches near the pool. JB/PS had noted that Emma Taylor of Planning had advised that Planning permission was not required as the benches were not anchored down. ELC Amenities were happy for them to stay in place. The benches were being well used.  Morag had noted that a meeting was to be held on August 26<sup>th</sup> to consider ideas for active travel movements around the John Muir Campus. Ideas put forward would require funding as the Spaces For People funding was no longer available. BT had been invited to attend.</p>
<b>6.00</b>	<b>DCC/ELC/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES</b>
6.01	<p><b>Dunbar High Street and Friends –</b> JB continues to post on the Facebook page.  <b>High Street</b>  Trade had been picking up following the end of lockdown. Flux had opened a 2<sup>nd</sup> shop. Some businesses had been hit by staff needing to self isolate.  <b>SOLE –</b> The SOLE website/Facebook was operational but publicity still seemed to be low key.  <b>Marketing</b> DELAP had had an application from DTA to support a marketing initiative. This had been supported by DELAP. JB had had discussions with the DTA Consultant, Paul Gillon, about other sources of funding e.g. East Lothian Community Rail Partnership. Community Rail Network (CRN) would be happy to explore options further and DTA had been advised. Denise Hanvage of CRN has arranged a meeting for interested parties on 3<sup>rd</sup> August. DTA had been given agreement to apply for Covid Funding via ELC for the project after an initial rejection.</p>
6.02	<p><b>Dunbar East Beach/Promenade Project</b>  No update this month</p>

6.03

### **Belhaven Bay/Belhaven Village issues**

**Access for All**-There had been no further development on the DELAP/DCC initiative.

**Belhaven Bay Bridge** – Concerns continue about the walkway at the bridge. Erosion is occurring around the bridge. People are finding it difficult to get on/off at the end. The handrail is a potential risk to the inshore lifeboat/paddleboarders etc when the tide is in. Residents had noted that there had been no contact with RNLI about the structure. There had been no contact with the John Muir Country Park Advisory Group prior to the installation.

#### **Belhaven Residents Group**

JB, BT and PS had had contact from residents seeking to re-establish a residents' group in the village. They wished to have a voice on matters like planning, roads, tourism pressures and youth disorder. They had thought to ask for Community Participation Rights from ELC. JB had suggested they contact Sue Cairns and Jim Herron of the East Lothian Tenants and Residents Panel for support in setting up a TRA group, akin to others in the area, which might give them a voice at the Area Partnership and other groups. She had passed on information about CAPP meetings and Angie McDougall of the Group had attended. She had advised Sue Cairns of ELTRP of the proposals and Sue had been happy to offer assistance. JB had fed back to the group. There had been many issues regarding litter, road safety, campervan parking at Shore Road etc which JB had passed on to ELC Officers.

JB, as a Belhaven resident, had attended a *Meeting of the Group on 14<sup>th</sup> July*. This had discussed a variety of issues. JB had been able to give background and information on a number of the topics raised. She had already been dealing with some of the concerns as a local member of DCC. She had noted that she could be a support for the group as a supply of information and through DCC as an advocate for their concerns with ELC etc. Many concerns of the group were common with issues raised by DCC and thus there would be an opportunity to work collaboratively. JB noted similar collaboration with other TRAs in the town in raising issues with ELC Departments and the Police. JB could attend Group meetings when available and could be contacted for advice/information/support at other times.

At present, the Group will not be going down the formal TRA route. This can be reconsidered in the future depending on interest from the local community.

Main points discussed

**Crime and Policing** – Angie McDougall had attended the recent CAPP. She had noted that no ELC Councillors had been present. As yet the Priorities had not been circulated. JB had given a background to CAPP and its processes.

It had been noted that the local residents had concerns e.g about antisocial behaviour, potential drug dealing at Shore Road car park. However, there seemed to be no official reports to local police of incidents. Members were asked to report to the Police. JB had noted the discussions at many CAPP meetings and the need for reports to be made in order to create priorities. She noted the repeated concerns about ASB at Lochend Woods that had led to the creation of a PSP.

It was agreed that John Lawson would be the Rep for future CAPP meetings.

**Traffic** – There were many concerns about parking, speeding, use of Duke Street as a rat run, safety of Shore Road junction, safety of Back Road. There was discussion about the number of past consultations with no action by ELC. JB had noted that ELC were proposing a consultation on roads issues around the Belhaven area.

There was a particular concern about Campervans. JB noted that ELC were to have further consideration of campervan provision across the county.

There was also concern raised about the pressures on the road infrastructure from tourism. There was much inconsiderate and potentially unsafe parking. JB noted proposals from ELC for a consultation on parking across East Lothian.

There was a discussion about issues of traffic movement on Beveridge Row and Bayview Circus. JB had noted the planning background of the Cala estate.

	<p><i>Planning</i> – Residents wished a voice on planning matters. They were concerned about proposals for a refreshment outlet at Shore Road car park. It seemed that there was an interest from an individual in a provision using a horsebox. This would need planning consent etc and thus would be unlikely to come forward during the summer period. JB noted that, as yet, there was no registered application.</p> <p>Residents were concerned about the lack of consultation on the erection of the walkway near the Bridge to Nowhere. JB gave background on this. The walkway had been erected without Planning Consent or a Marine Licence on the grounds that there were Health and Safety Concerns. ELC had said that it would be monitored for any ongoing effects on erosion, safety etc. The funding had come from Community Windpower via a request from Cllr Hampshire as Chair of DCDC rather than from ELC. There had been no funding from Coastal Car parking Charges.</p> <p>There was a discussion about planning matters at Duke Street (where a garden wall had collapsed alongside Belhaven High Street), Manor House , Belhaven (request for a house in the garden ground) and Manor Gardens (an infill house). JB had given information on these developments.</p> <p><i>Shoreline</i> – There were concerns about the poor state of the metal gabions on the slope to the beach at Shore Road. JB had noted previous contacts with Neil Clarke and Tara Sykes. The latter often cut off sharp metal spurs when she could. However, funding to improve the situation, which had been ongoing since grass had been eroded in a storm over 20 years before, had not been forthcoming.</p> <p>There was a concern that the new life belt was in the wrong position.</p> <p>There was a discussion about the defibrillator at the Surf Centre. It was felt that some of the residents living nearby would benefit from instruction on how to use it. A number of residents did have First Aid experience.</p> <p><i>Community Participation Request.</i> This had been submitted by John Lawson. He had heard from Paulo Vestri of ELC who had asked for further information e.g if the group was constituted. Information had been supplied.</p> <p><i>Future Plans</i> – There was a discussion about publicity. JB had suggested that an application might be made to DCC for help with setting up costs e.g. leaflets.</p> <p>There was consideration of themed sub groups e.g. on Crime, Road Safety and Planning.</p> <p>There was a discussion about the geographical area that the group should cover.</p> <p><i>Date of Next Meeting</i> – 7pm on Wednesday August 18th</p> <p><b>Tourism infrastructure</b> Sunny weekends in July had brought a variety of problems including wild campers leaving human excrement at Whitesands and campervans parking overnight e.g on double yellow lines at Shore Road and along the road at Whitesands. JB had fed problems up to Neil Clark and the Ranger Service.</p> <p>Neil Clark had advised that a consultant was to be engaged to consider tourism pressures including provision for campervans. NH had advised that a consultant was to be engaged to consider roads infrastructure pressures in Belhaven.</p>
6.05	<p><b>Changing Places Changing Room – Dunbar Leisure Pool</b></p> <p>The Project will enable access to adults with disabilities/dementia to personal care changing facilities. It will make use of a former creche area that is currently used for storage Such a proposal is in line with new legislation agreed at Holyrood, following action by Jeremy Balfour MSP, for adult changing facilities to be incorporated within new public buildings.</p> <p>PS had written to John McMillan as Chair of Enjoy Leisure, asking for this project to be prioritised.</p> <p>PS, AS and JB had attended a hand over of the new wheelchair, funded by the Community Benefit Fund, on July 1<sup>st</sup>. The new chair, bookable at the same time as booking a swim, will make access to the pool much easier.</p> <p>PS is seeking information on infrastructure e.g. drainage around the Pool area to assist in progressing the Changing Places project. Information is not easy to access as it would have been contained within the archives of the pre 1996 East Lothian District Council. Works around the</p>

	pool to provide services to a new changing area will require consideration of the area as a historic monument.
6.06	<p><b>War Memorials (HC)</b>  <b><i>Dunbar War Memorial</i></b>          HC, SB , GW and JB had attended the Centenary Rededication Ceremony which took place on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.          During the service 3 additional names to the memorial, previously agreed, were dedicated. These were brothers Richard and William Welsh (who had emigrated to Canada) and Samuel Henderson.          The Provost of East Lothian, John McMillan, had led the service wearing a historical Provost robe of the Royal Burgh of Dunbar. He was joined by the Lord Lieutenant of East Lothian, Roderick Urquhart and Mary Duncan, the Hon Canadian Consul for Scotland.          Clergy from Dunbar Parish Church, Our Lady of the Waves and St Anne’s Church had taken part. Pupils from Dunbar Grammar School had read the citations for the additional names.          Cllr Paul McLennan MSP and Cllr Hampshire had attended.          Local descendants of the Welsh brothers had attended.          Representatives from the Scottish and Northern Irish Yeomanry had attended and their Trumpet Major, Kieron Forsyth, had played the Last Post and a Cavalry Reveille          The Royal British Legion Dunbar Branch had been actively involved and arranged a lunch for service veterans and VIPs after the event. Their Piper, Edward Harding, had played the Lament and Flowers of the Forest.          Coverage had appeared in the media including East Lothian Courier and the Herald.          GR had taken a number of photographs which HC had passed to the Archive at the John Gray Centre.</p> <p>The new chains were installed on June 30<sup>th</sup>.</p>
6.07	<p><b>A1 Safety</b>          JB had met with Terry Prior, Peter Forsyth and Marshall Greenshields on June 25<sup>th</sup> to further discuss issues between Hallhill estates and the A1. (See Meetings attended)          There had been further accidents on the A1 at Innerwick junction. ELC Officers had attended a meeting of the A1 Safety Group with Transport Scotland and Bear.          Peter Forsyth agreed to arrange a meeting of the A1 Action Group – perhaps in September.  <b><i>Routes from Spott to Dunbar Project.</i></b>          The new ELC Transportation Officer, Michael Naysmith, had spoken with the Group’s Consultant Crispen Hayes . He was to follow up on material from their extensive Report.</p>
6.08	<b>Mercat Cross</b> –.(HC) A quotation for restoration work is awaited from Graciella Ainsworth.
6.09	<p><b>Youth Activities</b> – GA had contacted various providers to arrange a number of activities during the summer holidays including Zumba, hockey, dance. The providers had their own insurance/PVG arrangements in place. This will be funded from the Covid budget in the long term. If successful in 2021 providers would be happy to arrange activities in 2022. Others are willing to add to the programme. This could be a replacement for the popular Summer School programme.          GA and JB had publicised the activities.          JB had had contact from a parent concerned that that there was no provision in East Lothian for youngsters on the autistic spectrum. This had been fed back to Helen Harper.</p> <p>JB and GW had spoken to Helen Harper of Community Learning Development. They had noted GA’s setting up of summer youth activities. Helen had said that some activities were in place for the summer but funding tended to be targeted for the less well off/vulnerable youngsters. There were some activities for all e.g. at the pool and Library. Helen had said that she was willing to come to talk to DCC about local youth work. She could attend a meeting from September onwards.</p>

7.00	<b>HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE</b>
7.01	<p data-bbox="316 136 735 172"><b>Health and Well Being Sub Group-</b></p> <p data-bbox="316 172 711 208"><i>Next Meeting – 2 pm on July 26<sup>th</sup></i></p> <p data-bbox="316 244 1452 309"><b>Health and Well Being Older People’s Action Group. – Meeting on June 29<sup>th</sup></b> JB and GW had attended</p> <p data-bbox="316 315 1452 524"><b>Reprovisioning of Belhaven Hospital</b> – A paper had gone to IJB on June 24<sup>th</sup>. Forward steps had been approved. Unfortunately Marilyn McNeil , the service user rep on IJB who attended the Groups meetings had been unable to attend the IJB and thus there was no feedback from the meeting. Terry Prior noted that the paper referred to a Needs Led Analysis. JB advised that Paul McLennan MSP was still asking to see a such a document. Further efforts were to be made to access the Needs Led Analysis</p> <p data-bbox="316 530 1452 667">JB noted that there had been no communication from IJB/ELHSCP re membership of the Change Board working streams which Marilyn had requested and which had been agreed at the May meeting of the Change Board. JB was to write to Alison MacDonald/Peter Murray to remind of the agreement to include community reps.</p> <p data-bbox="316 674 1452 775"><b>Older People’s Day Services</b> – A paper had been approved by the IJB on June 24<sup>th</sup>. Sue Northrop advised that this had given the go ahead for development of meeting centres for older people, particularly with dementia.</p> <p data-bbox="316 781 1452 882"><b>Great Expectations- Action for Change and Delivery Document</b> – Further work had been done. There was discussion on contents. Information was to be sent to Sue Northrop and Terry Prior to amend the document.</p> <p data-bbox="316 889 708 925"><b>Date of Next Meeting</b> – July 13<sup>th</sup></p> <p data-bbox="316 931 895 967"><b>Meeting on July 13<sup>th</sup> – JB and GW had attended</b></p> <p data-bbox="316 974 1452 1312"><b>Reprovisioning of Belhaven Hospital</b> – There had been no contact with the Group from Alison MacDonald regarding membership of the working groups. Marilyn McNeil advised that she had spoken to Ms MacDonald who had seem to suggest that there had not been an agreement to include Health and Wellbeing Groups in discussions. Rather, they would be part of community engagement on the outcomes/proposals. Marilyn agreed to clarify this as those present were very unhappy if this was the case. There was concern expressed about the level of transparency in decision making and general communications from the IJB/ELHSCP which did not reflect the statements made in its own Strategy Documents. Marilyn also mentioned the likely remit for the Needs Led Analysis. The Group were concerned that this was very limited in scope. Marilyn agreed to feed this back.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1319 1452 1384">The Group thanked Marilyn, who is the Service User Rep on the IJB, for her work in trying to speak up for the concerns of the Group and wider ward at the IJB.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1391 1452 1456">GW noted the continued uncertainties for services related to the changes related to the findings of the Independent review of Adult Social Care.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1462 1452 1671"><b>Dunbar Medical Centre patient Participation Group.</b> Member, Caroline Wilson, attended for the 1<sup>st</sup> time. There was a discussion about various issues e.g. poor transport to Hospitals, centralisation of services at Haddington that had previously been handled by practice nurses and GPs, the difficulties of most consultations with GPs only being by telephone – diagnoses that may be picked up face to face may be missed. There was a discussion about the GP contract.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1677 1452 1742"><b>Great Expectations</b> – There was a further discussion. Terry Prior and the editorial team will work further on the draft.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1749 1437 1785"><b>Date of Next Meeting</b> – Following on from the Main Health and wellbeing Group on July 26<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1821 560 1856"><b>.Dunbar Day Centre</b></p> <p data-bbox="316 1863 1452 1928"><b>AGM on 23<sup>rd</sup> June</b> JB,GW and SB had attended. SB had taken the Chair. There was a large turn out of staff.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1935 1452 2056">Reports to the meeting noted the challenges of giving a service to older people in the community during the Covid restrictions. Staff were thanked for their hard work and their adaptability in developing the Outreach Service. The Centre had re-opened for a small group of users on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Others continued to have community support. The Management Committee</p>

were thanked for continuing the work of all staff during the lockdown. Thanks was also given for arranging the £500 Scottish Government award for Health and Social Care staff.

It was noted that the Pandemic period had brought pressure on carers and a noticeable decline in those with dementia. A number of service users had had to move into care homes- sadly some of them had had to move to homes outside Dunbar which made visiting more difficult for those without transport.

There was a brief mention of the paper on Day Care services which had gone to the IJB on 24<sup>th</sup> June. This would bring changes to the funding regime of all 9 local day centres. Tendering would be required. This would require hard work from those involved in running the day centres.

A Resolution was passed for the Day Centre to convert to a SCIO. This would also involve work for the Management Committee.

GW stood down after 7 years as Chair. She was presented with a bouquet and thanked for her work. She was to continue as a Trustee. JB was thanked for her 7 years as Vice Chair.

The Committee and Office Bearers were elected. These included some new and returning faces.

Chairman – Richard Smeed

Vice Chairman – Alyson Lanfear

Treasurer- Kirsty Summers

Secretary – Jacquie Bell

Committee Members – Stephen Bunyan, Rev Keith Mills, Gill Wilson, Andrew Brown

*A Committee meeting was to be held on 7<sup>th</sup> July*

**Trustees Meeting – 7<sup>th</sup> July** – JB, SB and GW had attended

The Day Centre building had had to close to service users the previous week due to incidence of Covid 19. Staff had acted promptly when alerted and were liaising with Public Health. They were thanked for their effective work on this.

Discussions were ongoing regarding the change to a SCIO. Chair, Richard Smeed was to discuss further changes to include reference to digital meetings, suggested at an OSCR webinar, with Alasdair Swan.

The blended service (buildings based and outreach) required a change in registration with the Care Inspectorate. This was in hand. Staff would need to register with SSSC. This would require payment of fees and Continuing Professional Development arrangements.

Further information was awaited on future funding arrangements from ELC. This included information on the expected tendering process. Andrew Brown was to take a lead role in preparations to tender.

A member of staff was moving to a new job. Arrangements would be made to advertise her post.

Richard Smeed was to ask the East Lothian Association of Day Centres if Vice Chair, Alyson Lanfear, could represent Dunbar at Association meetings. GW was to remain in her position as Vice Chair of the Association.

JB and GW had given an update on meetings of the DELAP Health and Wellbeing group and the Older People's Action Group. Concern was noted about the difficulty in the community accessing information on service developments from IJB/ELHSCP.

*Date of next meeting 11<sup>th</sup> August*

**Community Transformation Programme for Adults With Complex Needs over 65.** – JB had circulated a paper being presented to IJB on June 24<sup>th</sup> regarding future services in the county. An IJB Development Day had been held in May 2021 which had been a closed session for IJB members. The IJB meeting was not open to presentation by Day Centre Trustees. It was not held in public.

**Celebrating Communities Conversations –**

**Active Walking – June 30<sup>th</sup>** JB had attended. The meeting was led by Parvine Jazayeri of ELC Ageing Well.



Others at the meeting had included those providing Buddy Walks, those wishing to provide Buddy Walks and those like the Linkworkers wishing to give social prescriptions for buddy walking.

It was noted that many people in the community had lost confidence during Covid and sought company when out and about. For some support would be short term and for others it would be long term.

JB noted the development of Buddy walks as part of the outreach service from Dunbar Day Centre.

JB noted the funding by DELAP of peer support buddy walks for people with mental health issues by Haddington East TRA in Haddington and Dunbar. This was to be followed up with the promotor of the project.

There was a discussion about common referral systems and common training for groups around the county.

Parvine was to take forward the promotion and development of buddy walking across the county based on the discussions. There was a discussion about the efficacy of the various publicity channels for statutory and voluntary services across the county.

**Summing Up Meeting – July 15<sup>th</sup>**. JB had attended

The project had been funded by the Life Changes Trust over the last 7 months with Maya Howell as the Project Co-ordinator.

Over the months a number of conversations had been held on a variety of topics. There had been some common themes across East Lothian.

There was discussion about some of the initiatives e.g a singing project and a forthcoming walking festival in North Berwick.;

Videos were shown of the Digital Buddies Project in Dunbar and a similar digital nproject for older people at the Pennypit Centre.

There was a hope that developments would continue with a Meeting Centre Hub for those with Dementia and potential hubs in other towns like Dunbar.

The importance of collaborative working on projects was highlighted.

It was agreed that informal meetings would continue from time to time for sharing of experiences.

**June 22nd– Dunbar Services** JB and GW had met with Helen Harper at Bleachingfield Centre. Helen had noted that there had been a further opening up of services to the public including the library.

Dunbar Dementia Carers Support Group will be restarting some activities.

Other groups were setting up e.g. for men at risk of suicide.

It was noted that there were a number of groups to support older people in the town. It would be helpful to have a joint discussion on the way forward including Meeting Centre options after the summer. It was noted that a paper going to the IJB on June 24<sup>th</sup> was proposing an initial Meeting Centre in the Musselburgh area. It was noted that such discussions were also for the wider Health and Wellbeing group.

JB and GW noted that a further letter was to be sent to Alison MacDonald at ELHSCP regarding an update on Belhaven reprovisioning, the need for a Needs Led Analysis and inclusion of community representatives as had been agreed in May following a request from Marilyn McNeil, the service user rep on the IJB.

JB noted that she had had some contact from Caroline Wilson, Secretary of the Dunbar Health Centre Patient Participation Group. She will be invited to Health and Wellbeing Group meetings. There was a discussion about school holiday activities for young people. Helen had noted that much funding received was to offer services/activities to those most vulnerable in the area. Covid had made it difficult to do on the street engagement work with young people. Helen said that she would be happy to speak to Dunbar CC about her role and youth work in the town. It was agreed to suggest this to DCC members.

Helen said that she would be taking on the role of Co-ordinating the local village hall support group.

It was agreed to have a further meeting. Time to be arranged.

	<p><b><u>Scottish Government Independent Review of Adult Care Services</u></b> – No further information.</p> <p><b><u>Vaccination Programme.</u></b> JB had continued to assist with the vaccination centre at Haddington community Hospital.</p> <p>JB had fed back issues to NHS Lothian, Sharon Saunders at ELC and local MSPs.</p> <p>There had been poor publicity by NHS Lothian/ELHSCP about drop in appointments at Haddington.</p> <p>Issues had continued with West Lothian, Midlothian, Edinburgh people being given appointments in Haddington whilst people in East Lothian were being sent appointments in West Lothian at impossible times. Trying to change appointments on line had been problematical and assistance from the phone numbers provided for help had been variable.</p> <p>Sharon Saunders had advised JB that it was hoped to have visits to East Lothian from a Vaccination bus. The vaccination bus had attended Dunbar on 12<sup>th</sup> July.</p> <p>Drop in appointments had started at Haddington on July 10<sup>th</sup>. When JB had been at Haddington on 13<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> July many of the drop ins were East Lothian residents who had been unable to change appointments given to them elsewhere. There had been 248 no shows for scheduled appointments on 13<sup>th</sup> July and a large number on 17<sup>th</sup>. Of those that were there for appointments a number had been from other parts of Lothian who had been unable to change their Haddington appointments for ones nearer their own homes.</p>
<b>8.00</b>	<b>ROADS, REPAIRS AND INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE</b>
8.01	<p><b>Roads, Pavements and Pathways</b></p> <p><i>Hospital Road</i> –Remains in bad condition. Some jet patching had taken place on the road and on the road between Eweford and West Barns after many complaints.</p> <p><i>Dropped kerbs at Summerfield Road, Shore Road, Pine Street and elsewhere</i> have subsided and are prone to flooding. Works are to be programmed by ELC. There is a large pot hole left near the drop kerb at Summerfield Road. JB had noted this to Spaces for People but had not had a response. It has since been reported to others at ELC. She had noted the problems to Michael Naysmith.</p> <p><i>Uneven pavement in Westgate</i> – Repair still to be programmed by ELC</p> <p><i>Uneven slopes to crossings in West Port and High Street.</i> ELC still to programme works.</p> <p><i>Roads condition issues at Yosemite Park.</i> Lots of potholes, a large ramp between Yosemite Park and Alexander Gardens and other issues. Many complaints from residents. The road and pavements as far as Alexander Gardens are the responsibility of Persimmon. The roads in the area are not adopted. A timetable is being sought by Planning Enforcement for the areas to be brought up to standard for adoption. ELC Housing Officer is to meet with JB when Covid restrictions allow to discuss the issues for ELC tenants</p> <p><i>Condition of Belhaven Road/Belhaven High Street.</i> ELC have advised that this road is in the 2021-22 programme.</p> <p><i>Cycle/pedestrian paths around housing south of the railway line.</i> Still required JB/BT and PS had met with Michael Naysmith on June 30<sup>th</sup>. (See Meetings attended.)</p> <p><i>Safe footway Beveridge Row to Brewery Lane</i> – Still needed. Alan Stubbs has advised that this is in the 2021-22 programme of work. Monkscroft, which owns the wall which has caused some issues, alongside the proposed route is now occupied.</p> <p><i>Routeways from Robertson Homes to ASDA.</i> Still needed. Subject of Planning Enforcement. Negotiations still ongoing between Robertson, ELC and Network Rail. There continue to be many public complaints about the state of the route. Some hardcore had been put down in January 2021 to alleviate the problem</p> <p><i>Routeways from Albany Grange to Hospital Road.</i> These are part of planning conditions An opening has been created at Brand Court but the route remains blocked off. Chicane</p>

	<p>barriers are on order and will be installed asp. JB had chasaed this up with Taylor Wimpey.</p> <p><i>Routeway from Hospital Road to Tree Scheme.</i> A member of the public had queried the possibility of a gate in the wall to connect with the path at the community garden and on to Elm Street. This is NHS Land. JB had spoken to Community Garden and NHS Officers about this idea. A route had been proposed as part of the Cala application. However, NHS Lothian had opposed the proposal.</p> <p><i>Access to Footpath at Eweford Farm (Core Path 51)</i> Still closed off. ELC Officers involved.</p> <p><i>Lack of dropped kerbs</i> between Robertson/Avant Homes and the new SUSTRANS funded path at Deerpark. Crossing the road difficult for pushchairs/wheelchairs etc. Passed to ELC. There is also a shortage of dropped kerbs at other new estates e.g. Persimmon and Taylor Wimpey where the roads and pavements are still to be adopted by ELC. JB had passed to ELC and Mike Naysmith.</p> <p><i>Pedestrian safety in Bayswell Road-</i> A member of the public had expressed concerns about the safety of those trying to cross the road between the swimming pool and Our Lady of the Waves. Passed by JB to ELC.</p> <p><i>Marine Road pavements-</i> broken paving had been replaced by new tarmac in June 2021.</p> <p><i>Beveridge Row/Hospital Road/Bayview Circus pavements and Access.</i> The access point onto Beveridge Row had been opened up on 12<sup>th</sup> July. There were no road markings or signage which had caused confusion. Bayview Circus residents were unhappy that the road was open – a condition of the Planning for the Cala estate in 2017 was that it was to be an Emergency Access only. Traffic had been using the estate road both ways. With no 20 mph signage at either end of Bayview Circus the speed of traffic was a concern. In addition, pedestrian safety on the main road is of concern, There is no pavement on the Hospital side of the road. The pavement out of Cala does not marry up with a pavement near the traffic lights with an earth track in between. The pavement is narrow. Thus people are walking in the road which is, at that point, a 60 mph limit. JB had fed back concerns to ELC Transportation and Planning on 11/7.</p>
8.02	<p><b>Signage</b></p> <p><i>Lack of Signage at new estates.</i> This is causing issues for delivery drivers and emergency vehicles. Provision is the responsibility of developers. Planning Enforcement involved. Signs are still needed at the Robertson/Avant sites and Persimmon.</p> <p><i>Speed Reactive Sign at James Kirk Way</i> – Had been moved to Queens Road in June 2021.</p> <p><i>Vandalised signs (graffiti at junction to Belhaven on Eweford Road, Beltonford Roundabout and elsewhere)-</i> Reported 17/4. Still need cleaning off.</p> <p><i>Extraneous housing developer signs</i> – There are many of these. Keith Scott has been asked to arrange removal of those where estates have been long completed.</p> <p><i>Heritage fingerpost near Dolphin Inn</i> – Seems to have been damaged during the building works and the fingers now point in incorrect directions. Graham Brotherstone of ELC will investigate.</p>
8.03	<p><b>Structures</b></p> <p><i>Queens Road Wall (Four Seasons).</i> Still to be repaired.</p> <p><i>Ruins of Lochend House Laundry (DCDC)</i> HC and Kate Darrah of The Ridge had been working on a funding application. Costings were being sought from architects. DCDC have no funding for a project and it would need to be sought.</p> <p><i>Walls in Hospital Road</i> – Ownership is split between Persimmon and Taylor Wimpey. Planning Enforcement involved. Further work still required by Persimmon. Planning Enforcement have again asked for a timescale for the work to be completed.</p>

	<p><i>Gate post decoration at Winterfield Park.</i> Replacement ball still required.</p> <p><i>Persimmon Estates-</i> Many concerns including unsafe wall, building debris, unfinished roads and paths. Passed to Persimmon/ELC Planning Enforcement in December 2020.</p> <p><i>Vandalised solar panels at DunBear Park</i> – JB had contacted Ken Ross who will arrange repair.</p> <p><i>The Gates at Lauderdale Park</i> have become very rusty and corroded. ELC had been asked to consider repainting. Gordon Whitelaw had advised GR that the main gates seemed beyond repair and would need replacement. He hoped repair of the Jubilee Gate would be possible.</p> <p><i>Wall in North Road-</i> A large coping stone had fallen onto the pavement on 21/6. JB had alerted Building Control and Roads. Buildings Inspector had visited on 21/6. Roads had erected barriers until the property owner can arrange repair as more masonry is loose.</p> <p><i>Wall in Belhaven High Street (belongs to 1 a Duke Street).</i> This fell down on 14<sup>th</sup> July. A resident saw a digger in the garden ground of the house. There was no fencing in place between the building/demolition site and the pavement and the bus stop. Herres fencing was seen later on. On 15/6 the fencing was down and work ongoing on the site. The house had planning permission (19/00044/P) for an extension in 2019 despite concerns about the tight fit into what had once been the garden ground of Criterion house. The application had only referred to a new gate into Duke Street. The Community Council had specifically noted that there should be no breach or lowering of the wall which is a prominent feature of the conservation area. JB had contacted Planning (regarding the need for the wall to be renewed), Transportation given the pedestrian/road safety issues and Building Control given the opening up of the site to the main road and concerns about the remainder of the wall. Frank Fairg</p>
8.04	<p><b>Drainage</b></p> <p><i>A drain near 105 Summerfield Road</i> is still causing problems in rain. Flooding erodes the pavement. A temporary repair has eroded causing trip hazards for pedestrians. Passed back to ELC 1/1/20 ,4/1/21. And 5/2.They are still to follow up.</p> <p><i>Damaged drain cover at Winterfield Park Car Park-</i> A temporary repair had been made in 2019. Roads are still to programme a permanent repair on behalf of Amenities. The drain cover is now in a dangerous condition again.</p> <p><i>Flooding at Alexander Gardens.</i> Problems continue in rain... JB had spoken to the site Manager.. The compound is due to be decommissioned in the spring when Albany Grange is completed. The area will then be reduced in height and a permanent drainage solution installed.</p> <p><i>Flooding near Lethendry, North Road.</i> Issues have exacerbated in recent heavy rains. Callum Redpath had arranged cleaning of some gulleys in March 2021. They had been unable to clear the gulley near Lethendry but would return to do so. Mr Porteus had noted that he had been advised by an ELC officer that the system has subsided and needed replacement. His comments had been fed back to ELC. The road had been flooded again during rain on 12<sup>th</sup> May.</p> <p><i>Foul Flooding near Pine Street Playpark.</i> Environmental Health will take samples following rain.</p> <p><i>Drainage for Robertson Joyness Estate.</i> Major Roadworks ongoing. Members of the public concerned about considerable delays along Queens Road towards the town centre. Road safety near the station had been impacted in June. Members of the public were concerned by the small size of the new pipes.</p> <p><i>Fire Hydrant in Lamer Street</i> is damaged and a trip hazard. Reported to Scottish Water. Input from ironworks foundry required.</p>

8.05	<p><b>Vegetation</b></p> <p><i>Condition of Woodland between James Court and Spott Road Wall.</i> Tree Officer is still to do a tree health survey.</p> <p><i>Dead Planting/Landscaping/Playpark in poor condition at Yosemite Park Playpark.</i> Planning Enforcement involved. Work still needed by Persimmon. The Playpark surface is in an unsafe condition. Persimmon had told Planning Enforcement that the area had been handed to the Factor but this was not true. Persimmon have again been asked to complete the work to a satisfactory standard and for a timescale for it to be done.</p> <p><i>Dead planting at Alexander Gardens – Responsibility of Taylor Wimpey.</i> Still needed. Due to be attended to when Albany Grange is completed.</p> <p><i>Vegetation in Rhones at Yosemite Park.</i> This problem is related to pigeons who are attracted to the solar panels dropping seeds. Measures are needed to tackle the pigeons in the longer term. In the meantime, vegetation had been cleared. ELC Housing Officer and Taylor Wimpey/Hart involved. JB is to meet with ELC Housing Officer when restrictions allow.</p>
8.06	<p><b>Coastal</b></p> <p><i>Wire meshing over the stones at Bridge to Nowhere</i> is breaking up and becoming dangerous Tara Sykes cuts back metal spikes when she can. On 15/7 Neil Clark of ELC had advised that there was no funding available for a long term solution. In the meantime metal will be cut back when possible. He was to visit Shore Road on 17/7 and would check the state of the gabions. He hoped that it might be possible to install further steps in the future.</p> <p><i>Damaged electrical box near Whitesands toilets.</i> Still to be repaired. Seems to be safe but not a priority repair during Covid.</p> <p><i>Steep Slope to beach view benches at Lamer Street.</i> Would benefit from a handrail. Eamonn John is exploring this.</p> <p><i>Tourism Infrastructure –</i> There had not been further meetings of the group looking at Shore Road matters. There had been no further information from the ELC Open Spaces Management Group. Sunny weather in July had brought a number of problems at tourism hotspots. JB had passed these to ELC and East Lammermuir Community Council for problems at Whitesands.</p> <p><i>Bridge to Nowhere-</i> Public concerns about the new walkway continue. The structure and its affect on water/sand movement is being monitored by ELC. There is evidence of erosion. Concerns of safety ,due to the railing, for the inshore lifeboat/paddleboarders, swimmers etc had been received and passed on. It had been noted that RNLI had not been consulted about the construction.</p> <p><i>Giant Hogweed=</i> Various clumps of Hogweed (a controlled plant) had been reported in JMCP. ELC treating them/advising landowners of the need to treat.</p> <p><i>Bridge over Biel Burn-</i> repeated vandalism. JB had reported. ELC had repaired several times.</p>
8.07	<p><b>Lighting/Electrical</b></p> <p><i>Lighting within the Pool area –</i>Specially designed fittings to operate within a pool environment have been ordered and they will be installed as soon as they are received from the manufacturer. Services Manager, Carol Tait will chase.</p> <p><i>Heritage Lamp at High Street.</i> (Abbeylands) Broken for some time. Chased up with Glen Kane. Still to be repaired.</p>

	<p><i>Damaged Electrical Box at Ashfield Place.</i> Glen Kane has advised that all 610 boxes in East Lothian are to be repainted and repaired as required by a Contractor.</p> <p><i>Illumination of Roof Level Signage at ASDA-</i> Local residents have raised concerns. JB had contacted ELC Planning to see if the level of illumination might be reduced/turned off at night. Amelia Smith of Planning Enforcement had responded that they could not enforce the times of illumination as there had not been a planning condition imposed when the planning application had been approved. However, she had referred the matter to Environmental Health and had asked JB to get more information from residents about the area affected by the lighting.</p> <p><i>Skatepark Lights</i> – remain broken. JB had again chased ELC on 13/5.</p> <p><i>Traffic Lights near the Medical Centre</i> had been hit by a lorry on June 16<sup>th</sup>. ELC advised. Repaired July 2021.</p>
8.08	<p><b>Litter.</b></p> <p><i>Graffiti</i> -on Bridge Near Beltonford, Signage to Belhaven from Eweford Road and other locations. Still to be cleaned off.</p> <p><i>Litter bin on Kellie Road</i> – has been uprooted again. ELC advised.</p> <p><i>DAL bin at DunBear Park</i> had had to be removed – much being dumped in it, including bottles of urine, and too heavy to move. Due to the level of use of the DunBear Path a new bin had been installed on 15/7 and DAL will monitor its use.</p> <p><i>Bridge to Nowhere</i> – Much litter. Reported to ELC by JB</p> <p><i>Dog Bin at East Links Road</i> has been removed. Reported to ELC on 16/7.</p>
8.09	<p><b>Transport</b></p> <p><b>Buses</b></p> <p><i>Increased Services</i> – East Coast had advised of extra services at peak times in the morning and evening.</p> <p><i>Damaged Bus Stops</i>–. Perspex is still to be repaired by ELC at the Duke Street bus stop so that timetable info can be provided. Keith Scott has Perspex but currently cannot do this due to Covid restrictions. Other stops like Graham Place also need repair. A new contract for bus stop provision was to be tendered in 2020. However, Morag Haddow had advised that this process had been delayed as Officers were involved with Spaces for People. Keith Scott had advised on 7<sup>th</sup> July that the tendering process was still ongoing. Some potential applicants had requested more time.</p> <p>A bus stop near Belhaven Church had been replaced by a temporary flag in May. ELC had been asked why the temporary flag was in use and in a position too close to the Knockenhair Road junction. Morag Haddow did not know why. It had not been moved in connection with the cancelled Spaces for People Crossing near the Church. Keith Scott found that the stop had been hit by a car. A relief squad had put up the temporary pole and flag in the wrong place but had not advised that they had done this. The temporary pole and flag was moved to the correct position on 7<sup>th</sup> July. Keith Scott was to order a replacement pole and flag.</p> <p>A new bus shelter is still needed at Lochend Road to replace the one that was vandalised. This is waiting on the new contract. Therefore, it will be some months before it can be replaced.</p> <p><i>Bus Forum</i> – JB had made a request for a meeting of the Bus Forum which had not met since 2019.</p>

	<p><b>Trains</b></p> <p>Consultations on the Proposed May 2022 timetables of LNER, Transpennine Express and Cross Country had continued. Community concerns about service cuts had been taken forward. JB had publicised the consultations on local media. JB had attended various meetings on the issues. (See Meetings attended 9.02)</p> <p><b>Parking</b></p> <p>ELC Cabinet in May 2021 had agreed to a consultation on a 90 minute limit at Abbeylands. Public advert on the consultation still to be arranged.</p>
8.10	<p><b>Postal Services</b></p> <p>Box Still required at Comrie Avenue. It is on order from Royal Mail. Installation being chased.</p>
8.11	<p><b>Bayswell Road Phone Box.</b> Jo McNamara of Sustaining Dunbar is to meet with local residents who are considering conversion to a mini museum.</p>
8.12	<p><b>Other</b></p> <p><b>Maharajah Duleep Singh – Dunbar connections</b> – Ongoing. The family have had contact with Robertsons for quotes. These will be shared with the wider interest group. A response is still awaited from Dunbar Parish Church Session regarding a plaque within the Church. If Dunbar do not agree Belhaven Kirk Session will be approached as Lt Col Sutherland lived close to Belhaven Church. In the meantime, author Peter Bance has located a number of artefacts belonging to Dr Sutherland and these will be offered on loan to ELC Museums Service/History Society.</p> <p><b>Speeding at Brodie Road near John Muir Gardens.</b> Actions still needed</p> <p><b>Kings Meadow playparks and Open Spaces</b> – ELC are still to pursue the owner of 2 playparks who has now been traced. The new owner of 2 playparks bought via Future Property Auctions in error had suggested an asking price. (See Planning). Local residents remain concerned at the derelict state of the playparks. JB continues to support the residents.</p> <p><b>Issues at New Robertson site</b> – Issues of dust, drainage etc continue and Newtonlees residents remain unhappy. Issues at the SUDS had continued.</p> <p>Dust and noise issues are being raised as the new Joyness development commences. The construction works are only a few feet from the front doors of the steading. This will be monitored by residents who have already raised concerns about air quality matters with ELC. Concerns about the level of dust have been passed to ELC Planning Enforcement and Environmental Health.</p> <p>JB continues to support Newtonlees residents.</p> <p><b>Parking in Yosemite Park.</b> Safety measures still required. Responsibility of Persimmon. Enforcement of parking safety is dependent on roads adoption. See meetings attended.</p> <p><b>Built Environment at Writers Court..</b> JB is to meet with ELC Housing Officer when conditions allow.</p> <p><b>Built Environment at Yosemite Park-</b> Various issues being taken up by ELC Housing Officer/Taylor Wimpey. JB to meet with ELC Housing Officer when conditions allow.</p> <p><b>Upgrade of Skatepark at Pine Street.</b> A Committee is being organised. An initial meeting of interested parties is to be arranged. The steering group are working on a name and logo. They plan to contact the schools for pupils' views.</p> <p><b>DunBear Park Maintenance.</b> JB has continued to note concerns to Ken Ross and his team</p> <p><b>Scottish Water Public Top Up Tap facilities</b> – JB had fed back to Scottish Water.</p>

	<p><b>Built environment at Castle Rock Properties in Brodie Road.</b> Many issues for tenants. JB following up after concerns raised by Romie Blair of DAL. Housing Officer, Nikki Hogg, to contact JB on return from leave.</p> <p><b>Fallen telephone lines at Bayswell Road and Lauderdale Park 21/6</b> – ELC Amenities and Openreach advised. Residents had lost connection and the lines lying in the flowerbeds near the Phone Box. Openreach engineer had repaired the line in June 2021.</p> <p><b>Public Toilets</b> – There had been many community concerns raised about the limited toilet facilities in the town, leading to queues and cleanliness issues. JB had passed to ELC. Contact with other Community Councils via AELCC noted problems elsewhere e.g. Port Seton, North Berwick. ELC had said that there were staffing issues – they were recruiting for permanent and relief peripatetic toilet attendants to cover toilets across the county. They had been unable to get relief staff via the Agency that they usually used. Rev Hall had suggested that the churches do a volunteer rota to cover the Bayswell Road toilets in the summer months.</p> <p>Following further complaints and contacts with ELC, Facilities Manager, Vanessa Sanal had advised on 19/7 that the toilet seat would be replaced at Bayswell Road and the door would be replaced at Skateraw. She advised that staff had been recruited and that they were completing training. It was hoped to have toilets fully open on 30<sup>th</sup> July. She had said that it would not be possible to use volunteers – they would need mandatory training in Health and Safety and handling of chemicals and ELC did not have capacity to offer this training to volunteers.</p> <p>In addition, a member of the public had noted concerns about tap safety at Belhaven Bay (hot tap scalding and little water from the cold tap in the ladies toilet). JB had passed this to ELC.</p>
9.00	<b>MEETINGS ATTENDED</b>
9.01	<p><b>Sustaining Dunbar</b> - The Community Development Trust is linked to a number of projects.</p> <p><b>What If/What Next Team Meeting – June 30<sup>th</sup> JB had attended.</b></p> <p>This meeting had been a pulling together of projects as Development Manager, Osbert Lancaster, and Community Engagement Worker, Yvonne Wemyss, proposed to move on at the ending of funding for their work.</p> <p>A report, Sustaining Places, Sustaining People with ongoing project ideas had been circulated. It was hoped that some of these may link to DELAP initiatives.</p> <p>Local Good Food Alliance Co-ordinator, Naomi Barnes, had a few more weeks of funding to run. The Mushroom Trust had approved a grant towards the Community Gardener initiative.</p> <p>Other pockets of funding e.g. DTAS were being sought to continue project work.</p> <p>ELC Community Learning and Development Worker, Helen Harper, would be taking on the role of supporting the village halls network.</p> <p>Duncan Smeed of JMBT had noted that a pilgrimage with en route activities was to be promoted along the John Muir Way as a linkage to COPP 26 in Glasgow. More information would be forthcoming.</p>
9.02	<p><b>Rail Matters</b></p> <p><b>Dunbar Rail Services – Potential Service Cuts. Steering Group Meeting – June 25<sup>th</sup></b> JB had attended.</p> <p>Also present were Cllr Paul McLennan MSP, Cllr Craig Hoy MSP, Martin Whitfield MSP, Cllr Norman Hampshire and representatives from the East Lothian Community Rail Partnership and RAGES.</p> <p>This meeting had been arranged by Cllr McLennan MSP in response to the consultations by LNER, Cross Country and Transpennine Express regarding new timetables from May 2022. The</p>



new timetables would result in a drastic reduction in services from Dunbar by all Cross Border companies. It was not known what ScotRail may offer in the gaps but any ScotRail service would only cover journeys between Dunbar and Edinburgh for commuter reasons.

All were concerned by the proposals. Cllr McLennan noted that the Scottish Government and Transport Scotland had not been aware of the proposals until the new timetables had been issued for consultation by the different rail companies.

There was concern that the proposals seemed to be related to DFT desires to cut travel times between Edinburgh and London by 10-15 minutes. There was a concern to make Edinburgh to London rail travel more competitive with air. Other stations en route between the 2 cities were also seeing major proposals for cuts.

Harry Barker of East Lothian CRP noted a report from 2016 which had stated that major investment was needed on the East Coast mainline. That interim stations should not be impacted by need for investment. Investment could include a new alignment for the East Coast mainline from Dunbar and on via Haddington to Edinburgh.

There was concern that Cross Country were moving departures to the new station at Reston. As part of investment at Reston departures were required. However, it was noted that population around Reston was around 450 whereas Dunbar served not only the town but also the wider hinterland as it was the only mainline station in East Lothian. This amounted to many thousands.

There was concern that many people had moved to Dunbar because of the mainline service. There was concern that the proposed cuts would impact on the local economy as it would be more difficult to attract tourism and trade.

There was concern that the proposals would encourage more travel by road and thus impact on the climate change agenda.

All agreed the need for cross party work and to extend the concerns across the border.

It was agreed to try to seek wider engagement with local communities.

It was agreed that Harry Barker of East Lothian CRP and Tom Thorburn of RAGES would work on a joint response that could be signed off. A letter might be made available for the public to submit to the consultations.

It was agreed to arrange a photo opportunity.

It was agreed to make contact with other MPs/MSPs along the affected rail corridor.

It was agreed that Cllr Craig Hoy MSP would contact the Scottish Secretary with concerns.

It was agreed that there would be contact with cross party spokespeople for transport about the issues.

It was agreed that a further meeting would be arranged.

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The MSPs had had further discussions . PMc had spoken to the Scottish Transport Minister. Craig Hoy and John Lamont MP were to have meetings with UK Transport Ministers.

A letter had been prepared for constituents to send to Grant Shapps,(UK Transport Minister) to ask for an extension of the consultation period.

A letter had been drafted for affected elected representatives along the rail network to sign to go to Grant Shapps.

JB had suggested national media coverage as the cuts affect many stations north of York. Martin Whitfield had endorsed this.

Date of Next Meeting 21<sup>st</sup> July

**East Lothian Community Rail Partnership (CRP) – Meeting with Denise Havard of Community Rail Network (CRN) June 28th** . JB had attended . Denise’s post is funded by Paths for All and SUSTRANS.

There had been further discussion on how the Community Rail Network may assist in promoting travel to East Lothian and sustainable transport by local residents.

There was discussion about the issues of support for the CRP by Scotrail. Scotrail had a budget of money that could be used to promote the rail network but it was difficult to access. Projects

	<p>had been identified but could not be taken forward due to the difficulty of gaining Scotrail financing. There were also pockets of money that needed to be opened up. There was a discussion about the proposed cuts to the Dunbar services. Projects discussed included</p> <p><i>Prestonpans murals</i>. Harry Barker was seeking a meeting with John Wilson of Scotrail.</p> <p><i>Historic Posters</i> – These had been prepared . There had been past issues of the kind of hangers to be used and ScotRail had removed posters displayed on the wrong hangers.</p> <p><i>North Berwick Planters</i>. Scotrail had previously promoted these, They had fallen into disrepair. There were disputes as to re-provision.</p> <p><i>Path/cycle Networks south of Dunbar Railway</i>. JB had noted discussions. Use of path networks may be something that could be promoted by CRN.</p> <p><i>DTA Project for Dunbar Marketing</i> There was much discussion. Denise agreed to organise a meeting to discuss how to take marketing forward. JB had noted applications to DELAP/DCC. JB had advised that DTA had been rejected for funding by ELC as they were not an approved tourism organisation. JB agreed to share contact information for Denise to set up a meeting.</p> <p><b>Community Rail Network/Community Rail Partnerships Scotland Meeting with Transport Scotland and Rail Companies 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>- JB had attended</p> <p><i>Scotrail Changes</i> – The Abellio franchise ends in 2022. Allan Anderson of Scotrail noted that the detail of arrangements from April 2022 were being worked on. The Scottish Government were taking on the trains on an Operator of Last resort basis which is normally used when a franchise operator runs into difficulties in providing a service. Legislation will be needed for the creation of a new company called Scotrail Holding Company. Staff will transfer to a new Scottish Trains which will be an arms length arrangement from the Scottish Government. They will still be classed as private sector rather than civil servants. There will be implications for all manner of contracts that Scotrail currently have with suppliers e,g for integrated ticketing. These will all need to be renegotiated.</p> <p>There would need to be consideration of how the new Scottish arrangements integrated with UK wide arrangements where a White Paper was expected on English services with the intention of creating GB Rail. Brian Barnsley of the community rail Network was liaising with the DFT in England regarding the production of a Frequently Asked Questions document on the implications of the English White Paper for rail services for the use of Community Rail Partnerships and Communities.</p> <p>It was expected that Community Rail Partnerships would continue under the new arrangements.</p> <p>As yet, it was not known how rail services would be affected. Covid had hit rail services hard. The Scottish Government had given a £1.1 billion subsidy to keep Scottish trains running. Such Government subsidy was not sustainable in the long term.</p> <p><i>CRP Projects</i> – JB and Harry Barker had given an update on East Lothian CRP Projects. JB had noted the discussions with Denise Hanvard about promoting rail travel and tourism in Dunbar.</p> <p><i>Rail Timetable Consultations</i>. There was a long discussion about the proposals that affected other areas too. There was concern that LNER were pushing TransPennine out of providing services. By LNER seeking to improve their own journey times, there was increasing congestion on the line. There was also concern about the inadequacy of the current line in some places which slowed trains down. There was concern about the high costs of projects like HS2 when investment was needed on the East Coast line. Harry Barker had noted that if the line was rerouted it could serve Haddington on its way to Edinburgh. He also noted that there were loops on the line that could be utilised to allow faster trains to pass slower ones.</p> <p>.</p>
9.03	<p><b>Hallhill Area Matters</b></p> <p><b>Meeting with ELC Transportation Officers on 25<sup>th</sup> June</b> JB had met with Terry Prior, Marshall Greenshields and Peter Forsyth</p> <p><i>Roads Adoption</i>. There was a long discussion. There was concern that many people had been living in homes for over 3 years and the spine road from Brodie Road through Yosemite Park to</p>

Albany Grange was still not surfaced or adopted. Marshall advised that he had recently met with Ian Craig of Hallhill Developments. ELC are keen to progress with the roads being brought up to a standard that can be adopted. Work is required by a contractor. This needs buy in of all housing developers. To date Persimmon have not signed up although they are the builder with main responsibility for the spine road. Peter and Marshall noted the difficulty of pursuing completion of the road by legal means.

*A1 Junction/Roads improvements* Peter noted that statistics were being taken to model road traffic movements around the area. JB noted that vehicular use had moved on since the A1 was dualled – people actually living in the area may want to use certain routes leading to increased pressure e.g. Hospital Road/Beveridge Row and the Belhaven Junction to the A1. Peter noted that Bayview Circus was to be opened up after 5<sup>th</sup> July. It was hoped that traffic could make use of Bayview Circus with the better site lines onto Edinburgh Road rather than Beveridge Row. Peter noted that there were hopes that Taylor Wimpey may enable widening of Hospital Road alongside their development as part of the Hallhill North application discussions. He said that Taylor Wimpey had ownership of land on the Eweford Farm side of Hospital Road.

*Active Travel linkages* – Discussions were to be progressed on linkages between north and south of the East Coast mainline. JB noted proposals for a meeting on June 30<sup>th</sup> with Mike Naysmith, Cllr Hampshire and others,

Peter advised that there were ongoing discussions with Taylor Wimpey regarding funding of an underpass under the East Coast mainline.

There was discussion of the issues regarding the Cala Development which had been allowed following an appeal on grounds of non determination to Scottish Government reporter, Dan Jackman, in 2012.

The road link would be opened up from Bayview Circus into Hospital Road in July with a closure of Beveridge Row between July 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. There were discussions about making Beveridge Row one way in the longer term but this would need a TRO. There was discussion about the potential

JB noted problems of an incomplete pavement route beyond the hospital as well as the large grassy space which made site sites difficult near the new junction.

Peter and Marshall indicated that ELC Transportation had opposed the Cala Development on grounds of road safety but the Reporter had allowed it.

Transportation had wanted a pedestrian route from the Cala development through the Hospital grounds to the Tree Scheme but this had not been set as a condition by the Reporter.

JB spoke of the pavement between Beveridge Row and Brewery Lane which had ben long called for and was a planning condition of the Cala development. Cala had given ELC the funding for this in 2017. Peter and Marshall noted that the funding was time limited. The pavement needed to be part of a solution to wider issues in the Belhaven area e.g Shore Road. JB advised that a new Belhaven residents group was being set up which wanted to be involved in roads matters. JB also noted that Monkscroft, which had ownership of the wall adjoining the route of the proposed pavement, was now occupied again.

*Parking problems*- There are many complaints of inconsiderate/dangerous parking along Brodie Road/Yosemite Park. Some homes have parking around the back but residents choose to park on the frontage. There are many incidences of pavement parking/parking close to junctions. Bad parking puts children/other pedestrians at risk. Unfortunately, until the road is adopted no enforcement can be carried out. Peter suggested that information should be given out to ask people to park safely. There was discussion about future legislation on pavement parking – this is some years off in Scotland.

*DunBear Park*- There was discussion about proposals and the potential for impact on Spott Road, A1 safety and roads within the Hallhill estates. As yet Hallhill Developments were still to submit an application for consideration.

*A1 Action Group*. Peter agreed to arrange a meeting – perhaps for September 2021. There had been a recent meeting of the A1 Safety Advisory Committee following a number of accidents in recent weeks at Thistley Cross roundabout and at Innerwick Junction.

*Speeding by Contractors*- Terry had noted issues. It was agreed that this would be taken up with the various contractors on site.

	<p><i>Future Meetings</i> It was agreed that the meeting had been helpful and that further meetings would be beneficial. Peter agreed to arrange this for October/November</p> <p>Hallhill TRA Meeting – June 28<sup>th</sup>. JB had attended. Also in attendance were Cllr Hampshire, Sue Cairns of ELTRP and reps from Taylor Wimpey and the factor hacking and Paterson. There had been no response from Persimmon.</p> <p><b>Hallhill TRA Meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> June.</b> JB had attended. Also present were Cllr Hampshire and reps from Taylor Wimpey and hacking and Paterson the local factor.</p> <p><i>Roads Adoption.</i> There was a long feedback from the meeting on June 25<sup>th</sup> with ELC Officers. Cllr Hampshire advised that lessons had been learned about creating a long spinal road with different house builders. This had complicated not just getting the road surfaced and adopted but also introduction of other services like buses which still had no turning circle.</p> <p><i>Taylor Wimpey completions</i> – The longstanding delay of the chicane barriers to Hospital Road was discussed. The TW rep agreed to chase up.</p> <p><i>Alexander Gardens flooding/landscaping.</i> JB noted that the flooding problems due to the height differential between Albany Grange and Alexander Gardens were to have been sorted when Albany Grange was completed. Planting remained dead .This was to be chased up by the TW rep. It was noted that there was a large ramp between Yosemite Park and Alexander Gardens which had damaged cars. Resolution of this issue was dependant on the completion of the roadway at Yosemite Park.</p> <p><i>Yosemite Park Playpark/Open Space.</i> Feedback was given on the longstanding issues. Hacking and Paterson will not take on the area until it is of sufficient standard. Some work had bene done in recent days but it was noted that the surface of the playpark remained dangerous. JB noted that Planning Enforcement were seeking timescales for work to be done from Persimmon.</p> <p><i>Castle Rock Housing maintenance issues</i> – JB noted that this was being chased up. There were various issues e.g. grass was being left uncut and tenants were unable to access utility meters at ground level. Some residents were known to have disabilities.</p> <p><i>A1 Safety</i> – Terry Prior and JB gave feedback from the meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> June with Marshall Greenshields and Peter Forsyth</p> <p><i>Access matters-</i> There was discussion about ongoing pedestrian/cycle issues from the development. JB noted the forthcoming meeting between DCC and Council Officers. Cllr Hampshire noted suggestions of Taylor Wimpey using land that they had procured at Eweford to widen the roads alongside their developments. He also noted the proposals to create a new route under the railway line between Hallhill North and the Tree Scheme. These proposals would need funding agreement.</p> <p>Anti Social Behaviour. Thanks was given to ELC Officers/DCC in supporting residents to have difficult tenants moved on. Some concern was noted as to how long it had taken for action to be taken against drug dealers in the area. Residents were asked to be vigilant and to report any concerns to Police/ELC for follow up</p> <p><i>TRA Representation.</i> Terry Prior noted that a number of streets within the TRA area sent no representation to meetings. Consideration was to be given by the Committee as to whether or not these streets should still be represented.</p> <p><i>Future Meeting</i> – To be arranged.</p>
9.04	<p><b>Meeting on Active Travel June 30<sup>th</sup></b> JB, BT and PS had met with ELC Officer, Michael Naysmith and Cllr Hampshire.</p> <p>Michael Naysmith is funded for 3 years by Sustrans to develop active traffic networks across East Lothian.</p> <p>JB noted her discussions dating back to 2017 to improve pedestrian/cycle routes around Dunbar south of the railway line. She agreed to share past information from discussions with local residents involving Iain Reid and Nick Morgan. She noted that local residents and Dunbar Community Woodland Group, who maintained paths within the area, were keen to have dialogue. She agreed to circulate contact information. Michael was already in contact with Crispin Hayes the consultant for the Spott to Dunbar routes project.</p>

There was a wide reaching discussion which considered problem geographical areas and themes. Michael noted that ideas would need to be broken down into areas that may be possible to progress to funding applications.

#### **Structural Themes**

***Drop kerbs*** – JB noted a number of areas where dropped kerbs did not link up e.g between Robertson Homes and the new Queens Road cycleway, along Brodie Road or where they had subsided and created problems in bad weather etc e.g at Summerfield Road, Shore Road. Many of the subsided areas had been noted to ELC some years ago and work remained outstanding. She agreed to share problem areas.

***Road surfacing***- JB and BT noted that poor surfacing made use by cycles and pedestrians risky e.g, Belhaven High Street, Hospital Road. JB noted the dangerous condition of some speed cushions e.g in Summerfield Road.

#### **Service Provider themes**

JB noted discussions with Denise of Community Rail Network who could help access funding for projects. JB noted the need for publicity for the new southern platform when it came on stream.

There was discussion about the proposed cuts to rail services.

***Travel with a Bike***- BT noted problems for Bike storage on the new Azzuma trains. Storage on other trains and buses varied. This had implications for family travel by bike.

***Bike parking at Dunbar Station***- There was a discussion about the need for provision at the station.

There was a general discussion about the need for improved active travel connections to the station.

JB noted ongoing discussions between CRP and rail providers regarding promotion of travel destination by rail in the area.

#### **Geographical Themes**

. There was a discussion about issues in different parts of Dunbar

#### ***South of the Railway Line***

Past discussions were noted. There had been problems with land ownership where a land owner would not allow a pathway to be completed.

JB noted provision by DCWG and discussions regarding the route to Dunbar from Spott.

Concerns were noted that different developments had gone ahead without any joined up thinking.

NH noted discussions with Taylor Wimpey about provisions from Hallhill North. This might include use of land from Eweford (already bought from the landowner by Taylor Wimpey) to widen Hospital Road and an underpass between Hallhill North and the Tree scheme which would need agreement by Network Rail.

NH noted the possibility of ELC taking on the Eweford underpass. It was mentioned that this was currently prone to flooding. NH said that the pump needed to be moved as it was in the wrong position -.

#### ***Spott Road***

It was noted that concerns were longstanding about road safety.

Consideration was being given to the widening of pedestrian areas e.g by use of the woodland area behind the wall near James Court. The grass around the Garden Centre belonged to ELC

A crossing was to be formed by the Business Centre.

The development of DunBear Park was discussed. There was a suggestion of traffic lights and pedestrian signalling in the area. JB noted concerns that lights would create back up on the very busy routes and A1.

#### ***Belhaven***

There was a discussion about the area that had been under increasing pressure during Covid due to the popularity of the coastal setting.

Cllr Hampshire noted that a quote was being obtained for a public consultation on local issues. JB noted that there had already been consultations on road issues in the area in 2015 and 2019 which had seen no firm proposals and action. She noted the creation of a local residents group concerned about traffic pressures in the area.

	<p><b><u>Outlying areas</u></b></p> <p>JB noted concerns about lost links from the rural villages like Innerwick and Spott to the town. She noted past projects to consider safe connections between the villages and the coast e.g an overpass between Innerwick and the coast. These had been rejected by Transport Scotland. There was discussion about the danger of routes crossing the A1. The A1 was a major issue for any discussions like those promoting the route between Spott and the town/sea.</p> <p>JB noted connections from outlying estates like Cala at Belhaven and Robertson Homes where it was easier to travel by car due to incomplete connections.</p> <p><b><u>Other Matters</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Cycle Racks</u></b></p> <p>PS noted some options for cycle parking in Dunbar – a number of spaces e.g. around the High Street. This could be a pilot for East Lothian as the trial racks could be moved to other places. It was agreed to explore this further. PS suggested that funding should be from ELC as they could have long term use of the racks.</p> <p><b><u>E bikes initiative from Energy Savings Trust-</u></b> This was discussed. Not thought to be feasible at this time. Issues to be considered for storage, promotion and maintenance. Issues related to the Spare Wheels Car Sharing venture, which had folded , were noted.</p> <p><i>Further meetings were to be arranged</i></p>
9.05	<p><b><u>Viridor Liaison Meeting 30<sup>th</sup> June</u></b> – JB had attended. The session had also been attended by David Mumford of Innerwick Village Association.</p> <p>This was a virtual tour of the ERF and information on the processes that take place there and at the initial sorting centre at Balgeddie in North Ayrshire.</p> <p>The site takes 325,000 tonnes per year from the 5 local authorities of the Clyde Valley and South Lanarkshire. This tonnage is agreed by a SEPA permit. All the waste comes by road.</p> <p>Waste is initially sorted at Balgeddie to sift waste that can be recycled.</p> <p>The process at Oxwellmains produces 30 Megawats per annum of electricity that goes to the Grid.</p> <p>Proposals for the plastics recycling plant to use the heat generated in the form of steam are being reviewed. There are no current plans to submit an application for the plant to ELC. Therefore, at present the system remains closed and no energy is being produced in the form of steam for ongoing community use.</p> <p><b><u>Viridor Liaison Group Update 19<sup>th</sup> July</u></b></p> <p>Sue Anderson had advised that following a fire at Bellshill Industrial Estate on 9<sup>th</sup> July which had affected the usual contractor for the processing of non hazardous NHS clinical waste Dunbar ERF had been asked to take on the work on a temporary basis. This is the same type of NHS waste that had been processed at Dunbar in the past. SEPA had restored the licence to do this on 13/7. The situation is expected to last 2-4 weeks.</p>
9.06	<p><b><u>Dunbar Community Bakery – July 2<sup>nd</sup></u></b> JB had attended</p> <p>The Bakery is progressing towards a Community purchase of the premises. This will be similar to the community purchase of the Community Carrot. Changes will be needed to the rules of the existing Community Benefit Society to enable this. An EGM would be held at 5 pm on July 17<sup>th</sup> to ratify the changes.</p> <p>A new modern apprentice had been taken on in the bakehouse.</p> <p>Although the bakery has remained open during Covid restrictions, the quietness of the High Street has had an impact on trade.</p> <p><b><u>Bakery EGM – July 17<sup>th</sup> JB had attended</u></b></p> <p>The purpose of the meeting was to ratify the changes to the rules of the Community Benefit Society. This was agreed. The bakery can now proceed with moving towards purchase of the premises through the Scottish Land Fund. To do this the Bakery will need to fund raise to meet some of the purchase price. There was a discussion about how this might be done.</p>

	<p>There was discussion as to how the proposals may be publicised. This will include an update of the Bakery website, social media etc.</p> <p>JB reminded people that the bakery had a page on the SOLE website and that it was affiliated to East Lothian Community Lottery.</p> <p>As part of the request for SLF Funding the bakery will need to demonstrate its benefit to the community. Thus it would be hoped to use some of the money released from rent payments to fund the training of apprentices.</p>
<b>10.00</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED</b>
10.01	<p><b>Via Facebook- Glynda Jones</b> – Seeking update on affordable housing to buy- JB had responded</p> <p><b>Scottish Communities Alliance</b> – Local People Leading Newsletters</p> <p><b>Via Facebook – Various</b>- Concerns about rail service cuts. JB had responded</p> <p><b>AELCC</b>- Query about Common Good Funds- JB had responded</p> <p><b>Enjoy Leisure/Dunbar Pool</b> -Thanks for the funding for wheelchair which had been delivered</p> <p><b>Dunbar United Colts</b> – Update on LP funding for SFA Licence</p> <p><b>James Page</b> – Update on events including stonestacking championships</p> <p><b>Various</b> – Planning at Bayswell Road- Planning Committee date cancelled for a 3<sup>rd</sup> time</p> <p><b>AELCC</b>- New Green Book for Community Councils</p> <p><b>ELC Roads</b> – TTRO for closure of Beveridge Row 5-12 July</p> <p><b>Via Facebook- Various</b>- Concerns about toilet closures/cleanliness – JB had responded. Raised with AELCC.</p> <p><b>Tom Dickson, RAGES</b> – Re Train service cuts – JB had responded</p> <p><b>Angie McDougall/John Lawson</b>-Concerns about Belhaven village issues/Creation of a Belhaven Residents Group – JB had responded</p> <p><b>Via Facebook- Caroline Wilson</b> ,Dunbar Medical Centre PPG- JB had responded</p> <p><b>Jenny Wight</b>- Concerns about flower planters at Wingate Crescent – JB had responded</p> <p><b>Via Facebook – June Douglas</b> – sunken manholes at Randolph Crescent – JB had responded</p> <p><b>Ken Hare</b> – Wall condition issues on Edinburgh Road and Belhaven Road – JB had responded</p> <p><b>Via Facebook- Various</b>- Adoption issues at Yosemite Park. JB had responded</p> <p><b>Via Facebook – Various</b>- Concerns about Beveridge Row access. JB had responded</p> <p><b>Via Facebook – Various</b> – Concerns about development on Prime Agricultural land. JB had responded</p> <p><b>Morag Haddow</b>- Spaces for People Updates</p> <p><b>Via Facebook -Marita Brown</b>- Query about drop in vaccination clinics. JB had responded</p> <p><b>Via Facebook – Various- Giant Hogweed at JMCP</b>. JB had responded</p> <p><b>Via Area Partnerships</b> – Scottish Government Consultation on Fireworks and Pyrotechnics</p> <p><b>ELC</b>- Publicity for Community Council elections.</p> <p><b>Sue Northrop- DFEL- Query about SAOL Communities for Older People</b>- JB had responded</p> <p><b>Various- Via Facebook</b> - Confusion about Covid Vaccination arrangements- JB had responded</p> <p><b>Various - Via Facebook</b> -Belhaven village concerns- JB had responded</p> <p><b>Via Facebook – Romie Blair</b> – Litter/Shore Road,Belhaven Concerns</p> <p><b>Caitlin McCrorrie</b>- Arrangements for Community Council elections</p> <p><b>Peter Forsyth via Area Partnerships</b>- Consultation on the future of Markle level crossing. Network Rail propose a road over the railway line.</p> <p><b>Pamela Huntley</b>- Bravery award options for a local man who had rescued 2 youths from Dunbar Harbour. JB had responded. Limited reward options – Sharon saunders had suggested nomination for ELC Star Awards later in the year.</p> <p><b>Romie Blair</b>. DAL Seeking information on Dunbar Community Lottery. JB had responded.</p> <p><b>Via Facebook- Wendy Logan</b> – Road safety issues at Yosemite Park/Simpson Avenue. JB had responded.</p> <p><b>Denise McCandlish</b>- East Lothian Guides – Thanks for ongoing support</p> <p><b>Via Facebook- Andrea Davidson</b> – Lorry issues – large vehicles getting stuck at narrow bridge near Cocklaw. JB had responded. Passed to East Lammermuir CC.</p> <p><b>Via Facebook-Carol Maudsley</b>- Concerns about traffic movement proposals for Bayview Circus. JB had responded</p>

**Via Facebook- Natasha Finlay-** Road safety Concerns at Pitcox. Passed to Police, East Lammermuir CC, Transportation and DELAP by JB

**Via Facebook- Deborah Curtis** – Queries about Persimmon estate at Brodie Road JB had responded

**Community Councils** – Procedure for Claiming a refund of Hall Hire Charges

**Via Facebook- various-** Concerns about wall demolition at Belhaven High Street. JB had responded.

**Via Facebook- Findlay Cook** – Removal of Dog Bin at East Links Road JB had responded

**Naomi Barnes, Sustaining Dunbar** – Thanks for Hedgehog Group funding

**Via Facebook- Romie Blair and others** – complaints about campervan parking at Shore Road hammerhead. Passed to ELC by JB

**Via Facebook- Ilene Donaldson** – Concerns about wild camping aftermath and campervan parking at Whitesands. Passed to ELC and East Lammermuir CC by JB.

**Rev Diana Hall** – Suggestion of a volunteer rota to keep the Bayswell Road toilets clean during the summer. JB and GR had responded.

**Via Facebook – Moira Duguid** – concerns about steep slope to access beach at Lamer Street. JB had responded

**Jacky Montgomery, Dunbar Golf Club-** request to give presentation on the Club’s updated planning application.

**Sandy Baptie** – Met Office Weather Information

**AELCC** – Procedural Guidelines for Community Council elections

**Area Partnerships** – Scottish Rural Parliament Survey

**Sue Anderson, Viridor** – Temporary use of Dunbar ERF for the disposal of non hazardous NHS clinical waste following a fire at the regular processing facility at Bellshill. SEPA granted a temporary enforcement permit on 13/7.

**Via Facebook- Jenny Miller-** Concerns about tap safety at Shore Road ladies toilet. Passed to ELC by JB