



## **Community Council Open Meeting Minutes of Meeting Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2022 7 pm by Zoom Conference Call**

### **PRESENTATION SP Energy Networks – Eastern Link**

Richard Hunter of Grayling spoke to a slide show presentation about the project. The slides were subsequently made available to DCC members.

He spoke of the public consultation. There had been a widespread mailshot across the area. To date around 50 responses had been received. In addition, public displays were ongoing at McArthur's Store and Innerwick Village Hall until February 28<sup>th</sup>. Staff would be onsite at ASDA on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

He gave further information on the proposals to develop an underwater link to Hawthorn Pit in County Durham as one of several underwater links to maintain the National Grid between Scotland and England.

The proposal includes underwater cabling as well as the building of a Converter Station at Oxwellmains and a substation at Branxton near Innerwick.

It was hoped to submit a Planning Application in May 2022. A Marine Licence will also be required.

There was a robust discussion about the proposals and members expressed a variety of concerns.

*Land Ownership* – JB noted that the proposed site for the Converter station was in the ownership of Viridor. Land Transfer arrangements would be needed. This had been discussed at the Viridor Liaison Meeting in February. Mr Hunter noted that discussions were in hand.

*Viridor ERF Plant Heat Plan*- JB noted that clear end uses for the heat generated by the ERF was a planning condition set by the Reporter in 2010 following the unanimous refusal of planning permission by the ELC Planning Committee in 2009 on the grounds of road safety and the lack of any confirmed Heat Plan. The Converter Station was on the footprint of the previously proposed plastics recycling plant which might have made use of the heat but which was on hold. Thus, the Converter Station might make the ERF non compliant with its planning conditions.

*Employment* – It was noted that at the peak around 400 people would be employed. This would have implications for accommodation. In the long term employment would be much smaller. HC noted opportunities for apprenticeships at the facility.

*A1 safety*- TP and JB noted issues, particularly at the Cement Works junction.

*A1 noise* – TP and JB noted issues

*Accumulated impact of Energy Company Developments*. JB noted the concerns of the Innerwick Community about the degree of infrastructure proposed by different energy company proposals e.g. 3 substations at the small Branxton community.

*Impact on the shellfish industry*. AS noted concerns about disturbance of the seabed by underwater works and thus crustaceans and other sea life. JB noted research on

the migration of crabs in the vicinity of electricity underwater cabling which indicated issues for breeding. Claire Duffy noted that a Marine Licence would be needed and that the impact on sea life would be taken into account.

PS thanked Mr Hunter and the Team for their input to the meeting.

### COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

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), Gill Wilson (GW), Stephen Bunyan (SB), Herbert Coutts (HC), Paul Gillon (PG), Terry Prior (TP), Sanchita Patjoshi (SP), Cllr Sue Kempson (SK), Cllr Norman Hampshire (NH), Cllr Paul McLennan MSP (PMc), Stevie McKinlay (ELC Connected Communities Manager), Anouska Woods (Be Green), Cameron Ritchie (Press), Jone Weightman Matteuicci, Mike Shaw, Rev Keith Mills, Catherine Dunning (Members of the Public)</p> <p><i>For the Presentation</i> – Richard Hunter (Grayling), Barry Hughes (SP Energy Networks), Clare Duffy (SP Energy Networks)</p> <p><i>DCC is currently meeting by video link. This follows a majority vote to continue this mode of meeting for the protection of members and the public from Covid 19. It will be reviewed in due course. Minutes will be made available to the public in the normal way.</i></p>	
1.01	<b>Welcome</b> PS welcomed all to the meeting	
1.02	<b>Apologies</b> – Received Post Meeting from Kevin Searle (KS)	
1.03	<p><b>Application for DCC Membership</b> – Sanchita Patjoshi – An application form had been circulated by PS.</p> <p>SP spoke to her application. PS noted her contributions to Civic Week over recent years.</p> <p>Members approved SP's membership.</p> <p>JB will advise ELC's Community Council Team.</p>	JB
2.00	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>	
2.01	<u>Councillors declaring an interest in matters to be discussed</u> : None	
3.00	<b>MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – January 17<sup>th</sup> 2022</b>	
3.01	<u>Amendments</u> - None	
3.02	<p><u>Adoption</u> - APPROVED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposed - GA</li> <li>• Seconded - GW</li> </ul>	
3.03	<p><u>Action Review</u></p> <p>AS and JB had made various payments</p> <p>Instruction had been given to Robertson Memorials to add the additional name to the War Memorial and payment had been made.</p> <p>PS had sent information to ELC Councillors on SOLE</p>	

	<p>JB had submitted DCC views on the Starbucks applications          JB had met with ELC Officers regarding tree planting for the Platinum Jubilee.</p>	
3.04	<p><u>Matters arising not covered in agenda – DCC Awards</u> - PS advised that the final award had been presented to Belhaven Community Garden by GA on 19<sup>th</sup> February. She thanked GA for his work in presenting all the awards.  <u>Platinum Jubilee</u> ( See AOB)</p>	
<b>4.00</b>	<b>ELC COUNCILLOR REPORTS</b>	
4.01	<p><u>Norman Hampshire</u></p> <p>1. Action Update –  <i>Litter/Fly tipping/Dog Fouling</i>- PS noted further concerns about debris blowing from building sites. JB said she had been alerted by local residents to concerns about debris blowing from the Robertson’s Joyness site at Newtonlees. This included insulation foam which Dunbar Against Litter had been picking up at Broxburn. There had been debris blown onto the railway. She said that Newtonlees residents had raised concerns with ELC and an Environmental Health Officer was to be visiting. Romie Blair and her team were also clearing up debris from other sites in the town.          NH said that there had been issues with debris blowing in windy weather. To take any enforcement action ELC had to demonstrate that builders were allowing their waste to blow around intentionally.          JB said that from her attendance at Planning Committee meetings there were also issues at sites elsewhere in East Lothian.          PG queried if conditions could be set at the Planning stage e.g for developers to make use of covered skips. NH said conditions could be considered. However, developers may respond that covered skips would make it slower to deposit waste if the cover had to be taken off and replaced again. PS queried if the time had come to name and shame some of the builders.</p> <p><i>Toilets</i> – The Bayswell Road toilets had reopened on January 31<sup>st</sup>. PS noted continued concerns about closures elsewhere e.g. at Yellowcraig. NH said that there were issues in staff cover with the continued Covid situation. The coastal car parks were busy and thus maintenance issues arose. If toilets needed repairs there was no option but to close them.</p> <p><i>Spaces for People</i>- Follow Up of Issues at Fire Station/Countess Road – The bollards had been removed on 28<sup>th</sup> January from the section of Countess Road between the Fire Station and the station. The pavement had now been widened alongside the Primary School. JB noted that DCC did not seem to have had information about the proposal which ELC Officers say was sent in November 2021. (See Community Report 5.05). She said she was aware of some community concerns about the narrowing of the carriageway, especially when it is used as a diversion route when the A1 is closed.. NH said that the work had been done following a positive response to a consultation. The wider pavement would be safer for pedestrians going to the school, especially at busy times. HC and SB both expressed support for the pavement widening.</p> <p>2. Report  <i>Budget</i>. NH noted the complexities of setting the budget within the finances available. Demands on services have increased as the population of East</p>	

	<p>Lothian has grown. Some savings would be needed. However, the Council would hope to protect essential services. The ELC Budget meeting would be held on 1<sup>st</sup> March.</p> <p><i>Council Buildings/Staff Contracts.</i> NH noted that a potential saving might be from the sale of some Council buildings. During Covid many staff had been working from home. It was intended to make changes to some staff contracts to allow for staff working between office and home.</p> <p>In the meantime, buildings like libraries and community centres have been returning to normal use.</p> <p><i>Torness.</i> NH noted that the nuclear power station was now due to close in 2028. It is a major employer and thus its closure will have an impact on the local economy. Following the closure there will be about a 5 year programme to decommission the station. Ultimately, the site is to return to brownfield. There is thus a need to consider the future use of the site. It will also be important to plan ahead for the future employment of the workforce.</p>	
4.02	<p><u>Sue Kempson</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Action Update – None</li> <li>2. Report- SK had no particular items to report. She did say that she had concerns about the forthcoming closure of Torness and the sustainability of electricity provision. She was concerned that the more demands placed on the system the more people would need to pay for their electricity supply. Increased prices would cause difficulties for a number of the less well off in the community.</li> </ol>	
4.03	<p><u>Paul McLennan</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Action Update – SOLE PMc said he had spoken to Philip Mellor of the DTA and was aware of concerns about the proposed roll out of the initiative. He was aware of a briefing that had been held on 17<sup>th</sup> February but he had not been invited. He was hoping to set up a meeting with Cllr McMillan and traders from Dunbar and other towns. He would also invite PS for DCC and JB for DELAP. PS suggested that PG should also be invited. JB noted that she and PS would be meeting with Cllr McMillan, Jamie Baker of Economic Development, Philip Mellor and Jo Waddell of DTA on 22<sup>nd</sup> February to discuss concerns. PG noted that the project funding period indicated by the Scottish Tech Army (STA) for the SOLE initial roll out was from January to June and so it was already part way through. JB said that she had been told by Kirsty McIntosh of the STA in January that the launch would be in April.</li> <li>2. Report <i>Energy</i> – PMc said he will be holding a meeting for the various energy suppliers and other stakeholders in East Lothian on March 18<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ol>	<b>PMc/PS/JB/PG</b>
4.04	<p><u>Questions to Councillors</u></p> <p><u>High Street Lighting.</u> PS expressed concern that over 50% of the lights were out of order. GA also expressed concern that the Christmas Lights Team had been aware of shorting at some columns. JB said that she had been chasing the issue for a long time with ELC Officers. Some lights had been broken for over 4 years. Sections of the High Street are very dark and some people feel vulnerable e.g. at the bus stop near Hector's Pizzeria. She had been told that parts were no longer available. Paul Zochowski of ELC had noted that the current heritage lighting was around 30 years old and needed replacement. He wished replacement with an updated model of heritage columns in keeping with the Conservation Area. NH said that he would discuss with ELC officers.</p>	<b>NH</b>

5.00	<p><b>TREASURER'S REPORT – See Community Report 1.00</b></p> <p>The Zurich Insurance Premium of £212.40 had been paid on 6<sup>th</sup> February.</p>	
5.01	<p><b>Requests for Support for consideration:</b></p> <p><b>Local Priorities Fund</b> – An application was awaited from DSAT for the European Stone Stacking Championships.</p> <p>AS noted that as yet Dunbar Primary School did not seem to have progressed the pipe and drum tuition which had been financially supported in 2021 subject to the school gaining other funding. He agreed to contact the school for an update.</p> <p><b>Community Benefits Fund</b> – Anoushka Woods from Be Green will now attend meetings on behalf of Community Windpower.</p> <p><b>Applications for February Meeting (To be held after the main DCC meeting)</b></p> <p><i>Petanque Piste</i>- Application form circulated by AS. DELAP had granted £5000 subject to Planning Permission. On 15<sup>th</sup> February Andrew Hogarth had confirmed that Planning Permission was not required following intervention from NH.</p> <p><i>Dunbar Harbour Trust</i>- Dunbar Castle Condition Survey</p> <p>Approaches had also been made by Dunbar Day Centre regarding kitchen upgrade, Dunbar Music Festival.</p>	AS
5.02	<p><u>Matters arising/questions - None</u></p>	
6.00	<p><b>COMMUNITY REPORT – circulated by email in advance of DCC Meeting and addended (JB)</b></p> <p>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: - None</u></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><b>Planning Applications for consideration/discussion:</b></p> <p><b>SP Energy Networks Eastern Link.</b> JB had circulated paperwork for the consultation proposals which had been approved by ELC. (See Presentation) Exhibitions are ongoing at McArthur's Stores and Innerwick Village Hall until 28<sup>th</sup> February.</p> <p>Information materials will be given out at ASDA on 23<sup>rd</sup> February.</p> <p>JB noted that Innerwick residents had significant concerns about the proposals. Members had further discussion about issues and PS agreed to write to Richard Hunter at Grayling. The issues include.</p> <p>*Accommodation for the large number of workers required during the construction of the Conversion Station at Oxwellmains.</p> <p>*Road safety on the A1, particularly at the Cement Works junction</p> <p>Increased noise on the A1</p>	

	<p>*Cumulative impact on the landscape of the various structures required for the various energy initiatives focussing on the area e.g. multiple substations at Branxton.</p> <p>*The impact of the Converter Station on potential use of the energy produced at the Viridor ERF Plant as it will not make use of that energy which was a planning condition of the ERF set by the Scottish Government Reporter in 2010.</p> <p>*Potential impact on seabed life and the shellfish industry.</p> <p>Member of the Public, Catherine Dunning, said that she had not been aware of the different projects – that the SSE Renewables Berwick Bank Offshore Windfarm project was different to the SP Energy Networks Eastern Link proposals.</p> <p>PMc agreed to set up a meeting to consider the accommodation needs of the project. JB and PS would be invited along with the DTA. JB suggested that East Lammermuir CC and Innerwick parish Welfare Association reps should also be invited as the development will be in their area.</p> <p><b>ELC Policy and Projects Consultation on Short Term Lets-</b> JB had circulated information. Members may respond as individuals. DCC may also respond as an organisation. GA noted his concerns. PMc noted his involvement at Holyrood in discussions regarding wider controls of properties being used for Air B&amp;B etc. it was agreed that PMc would lead a presentation/discussion on the matter at the March 2021 meeting.</p>	<p>PS</p> <p>PMc</p> <p>PMc/ALL</p>
7.02	<p><u>Licensing Applications for Consideration/Discussion</u></p> <p><b>ELC Gambling Statement of Principles</b> – JB had circulated the link for the on-line consultation. The statement of principles is reviewed on a regular basis.</p> <p><b>Station Yard Micropub</b> – Request for a Major Variation. This is to extend hours of operation and enlarge the beer garden. JB had circulated information. DCC members had expressed support and JB had advised ELC. However, JB said that since she had submitted DCC views she had been contacted by some residents of Kings Court who had concerns about noise and other nuisance issues.</p>	
<b>8.00</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	
8.01	<p><b>DCC Vacancy.</b> JB had promoted on social media. Jone Weightman Matteucci had observed this meeting with a view to considering joining DCC. JB had sent her an application form and other information</p>	
8.02	<p><b>Rolling Chair of Association of East Lothian Community Councils (AELCC)</b> It had been agreed that DCC would take its turn in chairing AELCC for a 6 month period. PS had contacted current Chair, Ralph Averbuch, for more information on the rationale of the Association. JB noted that most of the 20 East Lothian Community Councils had agreed to take part in the rota</p>	
8.03	<p><b>Platinum Jubilee</b> – PS advised that she and SB had met with Pauline Jaffray DL to discuss activities for the Jubilee which will see public holidays on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The main event will be the lighting of a Jubilee Beacon at the Harbour on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. It is hoped that community organisations will want to be involved. PS and SB were in discussion with groups and DCC members were encouraged to promote the initiative.</p>	ALL
8.04	<p><b>Queen Elizabeth Field in Trust Status for Lauderdale Park</b> -HC suggested that the park should become a designated area like Winterfield Park with a Board of</p>	HC

	Trustees to promote and protect its interests. There was a brief discussion about this. PS asked HC to circulate a paper for the March DCC meeting so that there could be further discussion.	
8.05	<b>DCC Agenda and Community Report Documents.</b> TP noted the amount of information to be read before meetings and queried if members might be circulated with edited highlights. JB noted that the format of paperwork had been changed in March 2021 to split Community Report information from the Agenda. The Community Report was a live document of the work being undertaken by DCC. It was an important paper trail of discussions and decisions. Members received one document at the point of the Agenda issue rather than multiple e mails throughout the month. PS noted that any particular items for more thorough discussion in the Community Report were highlighted for the Agenda. HC commended JB for her thorough work on issues affecting the Ward and the quality of the information provided to DCC and the community as DCC records are within the public domain. It was agreed that the format of the DCC Agenda and Community Report would continue.	
8.06	<b>Sympathy Card</b> - JB had sent a card to John Sparksman and family following the death of Nesta after a long illness. John had examined the DCC Accounts for many years.	
<b>9.00</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b>	
9.01	March 21 <sup>st</sup> 2022	



## COMMUNITY REPORT February 2022

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<b>1.00</b>	<b>DCC FINANCE REPORT</b>
1.01	<b>DCC and Sub-Committee Accounts</b> JB had circulated the Report by e mail <b>General Account</b> The Bank Balance at the end of January was £115,416.32 <b>The Restricted Funds</b> held within the General Account at the end of the month were Community Windpower Fund      £93,272.13 Covid Fund                              £ 7,855.60 Access For All Fund                  £ 759 .00 Local Priorities Fund                 £ 8,792.49 War Memorial Fund                   £ 000.00 <b>TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS            £110,679.22</b>  <b>The Unrestricted Funds</b> held within the General Fund at the end of the month were VAT recovered for Christmas Lights      £3,346.84 VAT recovered for Dunbar Against Litter    £ 46.60 Balance in the General Fund                £1,181.23 <b>TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS        £4,737.10</b>  <b>TOTAL FUNDS                              £115,416.32</b>  <b>Civic Week Account</b> The bank balance at the month end stood at £7,296.78 Plans for 2022 are underway. Expenditure will begin shortly.  <b>Christmas Lights Account</b> The bank balance at the month end stood at £5,785.25 Donations in January amounted to £43 Fundraising initiatives raised £207 A VAT Repayment of £3,346.84 was paid on 6th February.

	<p><b><i>Dunbar Against Litter Account</i></b> The bank balance at the month end was £2,232.94</p> <p>A VAT Repayment of £46.60 had been paid on 6<sup>th</sup> February</p>
1.02	<p><b><u>Local Priorities Grant Scheme</u></b> <b><u>Updates</u></b> The Current Year Fund           £10,200 Brought Forward Fund           £ 6677 <b>Maximum Budget Total       £16877</b> Local Priorities Fund Available       £6792 Not yet paid                           £2000 Per Finance Report                   £8792</p> <p><b><u>Applications –</u></b>  Application expected from DSAT for European Stone Stacking Championships 2022.</p>
1.03	<p><b><u>Dunbar Community Benefit Fund</u></b> Anouska Woods will now attend the meetings on behalf of Community Windpower.</p> <p><b>Meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>DSAT</i>- Application for 2022 European Stone Stacking Championships. Approved <i>Dunbar Surf Centre</i> – Various building maintenance works – Approved subject to further investigation by KS.</p> <p><b>Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> February</b> <i>Petanque Piste</i> – DELAP had granted £5000 subject to planning permission. On 15<sup>th</sup> February Andrew Hogarth had advised that Planning Permission would not be needed. <i>Dunbar Harbour Trust- Dunbar Castle</i>. An application to DELAP will be considered on March 7<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>AS also noted DHT ideas for provision of toilets at the harbour. Interest had also been shown by Dunbar Day Centre for a kitchen upgrade. An application from Dunbar Music Festival will come to the March meeting.</p>
<b>2.00</b>	<b>COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT</b>
2.01	<p><b><u>Police Report – Circulated by JB</u></b> The Report is based on incidents reported to the Police between 17<sup>th</sup> January and 13<sup>th</sup> February.</p> <p><b><i>Road Safety</i></b> 1 motorist charged with being found drunk in charge of their motor vehicle. 1 motorist charged with driving without insurance and a current MOT certificate.</p> <p><b><i>Violence and Anti Social Behaviour</i></b> The Deputy Local Area Commander and the Dunbar Community Policing Team have engaged in meetings with the ELC Anti Social Behaviour Team to discuss ongoing ASB issues in Dunbar. The situation is being monitored daily with additional attention being given to the area by both Community Wardens and Police Officers. Full follow up enquiries are being conducted in relation to matters reported to the Police. Robust strategies are in place to ensure that any</p>

	<p>criminality is thoroughly investigated and reported back to partners in Health, Education and Social Work. Other support functions are being investigated to assist in addressing the issues. The following locations are known to be linked to ASB:- ASDA, McDonalds, Dunbar Garden Centre, DunBear. A number of offences have been detected and reported in line with processes relating to youth offending.</p> <p>1 male arrested and charged with serious assault following a victim sustaining significant injuries following an incident in a residential property in the town.</p> <p><b>Serious Crime</b></p> <p>1 individual charged with possession of Class B drugs- Cannabis.  1 Misuse of Drugs Act warrant executed at an address in the town.  1 individual charged with possession of a Class A drug with intent to supply – Heroin.  1 individual charged with possession of a Class A drug- Cocaine.</p> <p><b>Theft-</b> Nothing of note. Minor thefts only reported.</p> <p><b>Reporting Crime-</b> Posting issues or details of criminality on local social media is not a crime reporting mechanism. To report an incident/criminality normal channels should be used either via 101/999 or the Police e mail address –  DunbarEast <a href="mailto:LintonCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk">LintonCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk</a></p> <p><b>Police Officer Staffing.</b> PC Hutchison left on 18<sup>th</sup> February. The arrival date of PC Graham Whitelaw is still to be agreed. PC Anderson has been on leave.</p>
2.02	<p><b><u>Community and Police Partnership (CAPP) –</u></b>  <b>Priorities from February 1st Meeting.</b> JB, TP and PG had attended  <b>Speeding-</b> various problem areas were noted, Request was made for use of the pop up cops.  <b>Youth Anti Social Behaviour-</b> There was much discussion about the problems.</p> <p>Abuse of Blue Badge Parking Spaces – traffic wardens will be asked to follow up  <b>Date of Next meeting</b> – 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022</p>
<b>3.00</b>	<b>PLANNING MATTERS</b>
3.01	<p><u>Particular Planning/Licensing Matters</u></p> <p><b>SP Energy Network – Eastern Link Project</b> – JB had advised of Consultation events. The Converter Station will require purchase of land from Pennon (Viridor). Innerwick residents remain very concerned about the cumulative impact of developments.</p> <p><b>Assembly Rooms Appeal (PPA-210-2091)-</b> The DPA had advised that the Reporter had rejected the appeal to convert the Assembly Rooms into 4 flats on 20<sup>th</sup> January. On 29<sup>th</sup> January JB had been advised by Carolann Cranston (daughter of Mr Williamson) that the property and one of the downstairs flats had been sold to a couple who hoped to convert it into a house. JB had advised DCC members of this. Plans will be submitted to ELC in due course.</p> <p><b>Association for the Protection of Rural Scotland</b> – Workshop on NPF4 20<sup>th</sup> January. JB had attended and circulated materials.</p> <p><b>ELC Policy and Projects- Consultation on Short Term Lets</b> – JB had circulated information on the on line consultation which is to consider if ELC should introduce areas to control the use of Air B&amp;B etc.</p> <p><b>SSE Renewables – Berwick Bank Project-</b> Public Exhibition at Innerwick Hall 1-7 pm on 8<sup>th</sup> March</p>
3.02	<p><b><u>Other Planning Matters to Note</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>20/00110/PM Halhill North</b> – Approved on 7<sup>th</sup> December by a Majority Vote. Determination still to be signed off. Various S75 agreements are required.</li> <li><b>Castle Bay (Cala)</b> – Pavement still outstanding between Beveridge Row and Brewery Lane. Completion delayed as Taylor Wimpey to fund alterations to the Edinburgh</li> </ol>

Road/Beveridge Row junction as part of the Hallhill North approval. JB has asked Alan Stubbs for an update. Cala have placed markings at the top of Beveridge Row forming a T junction with Bayview Circus and Hospital Road. Cala have been asked to consider provision of Give Way signage and signage to indicate the change to road layout. Planning Enforcement involved. Cala have been asked for a timescale

3. **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. Work still to be done to complete this satisfactorily.  
There are many issues regarding the end of works on site with incomplete landscaping e.g. dead or missing trees and shrubs, holes from removed flagpoles a deep hole with exposed metal piping from an advertising hoarding. Fencing between the path to the estate and railway has fallen down. A gate to secure the landscaped strip has blown down. Lighting at the path under the railway is outstanding. There are major issues with drainage and sewage. JB had visited on 25/1. Planning Enforcement involved. Other departments aware of the sewage issues. JB keeping local residents informed.
- 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. Some work done but issues remain. JB is keeping local residents informed.
- 7 **Access routes from Albany Grange.** Chicane barriers had been installed in early 2021. However, the exit onto Hospital Road remains fenced off. The area is overgrown on the Hospital Roadside. Land between the houses and the wall remains very overgrown. There are maintenance issues with many of the paths linking the scheme to the School etc. Planning Enforcement involved.
- 8 **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.
- 9 **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.** Approved on 20/1 subject to conditions which include completion of a S75 agreement, completion of bat and badger surveys, an archaeological survey and a landscaping plan.
- 10 **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. To be determined.
- 11 **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.
- 12 **21/00676/P- Broxmouth Estate.** Erection of 9 holiday lodges. JB had submitted DCC views. To be determined.
- 13 **21/00862/P – Alteration and Part Change of Use to form 2 houses 130-134 High Street (former Smiths Building) High Street.** JB had circulated information and submitted DCC views. There had been much community concern about loss of a chestnut tree in the garden ground of the property. New diagrams had been submitted to ELC in January 2022. To be determined.
- 14 **21/00946/P = Alternative application to 18 .** Only one house created in the Gardeners Cottage. Restoration to a dwelling had already been agreed (application 16/00408/P). JB had submitted views. New diagrams had been submitted to ELC in January 2022. To be determined.  
JB had been informed by a member of the public on 4/2 that a length of the rear wall of the site had been reduced in height. The wall is part of the historic Burgh wall. JB had passed the information to ELC Planning. Planning Enforcement investigating.

	<p>15 <b>21/00895/P</b> – Footpath and cycleway at Tarmac Works.. To be determined.</p> <p>16 <b>21/00997/PM</b> -Golf Club 78 houses, golf club house, short course and other golf infrastructure.. To be determined.</p> <p>17 <b>21/00949/LBC</b> -86-88 High Street (Value Shop) Alterations, extensions to building, erection of outbuildings, forming of hardstanding areas and demolition of external staircase. JB had circulated information. DCC support submitted. To be determined.</p> <p>18 <b>21/00947/P</b> 86-88 High Street (Value Shop) Alterations to shop (Class 1), alterations and extension to part of shop and derelict buildings to form 3 houses, 4 flats and associated works. JB had circulated information. DCC support submitted. To be determined.</p> <p>19 <b>21/01239/P – Broxmouth Park</b> – Widening of Access, Formation of hard standing,</p> <p>20 <b>21/01289/P</b> - DunBear Park – 2 Retail Units. JB had circulated information and submitted a response. To be determined.</p> <p>21 <b>21/01392/P</b> – Broxmouth Park – S42 request to remove condition 2 of Application 20/00554/P which had been consented on July 28<sup>th</sup> 2021. This relates to the operation of the wedding accommodation. JB had responded. To be determined.</p> <p>22 <b>22/00021/P</b> – Coffee Shop Class 3 (Starbucks) , Drive Thru and associated works at land East of McDonalds. JB had submitted DCC views. To be determined.</p> <p>23 <b>22/00016/ADV</b> – Advertising Consent for Starbucks. JB had circulated information and submitted DCC views. To be determined.</p>
3.03	<p><b><u>Licensing Matters to Note</u></b></p> <p><i>ELC Gambling Statement of Principles</i> – ELC are consulting on this. JB had circulated the link to the on line consultation. The policy is revied on a regular basis.</p> <p><i>Station Yard Micropub</i>- Request for a Major Variation . This is to allow for extended hours from Thursday to Sunday and enlargement of the beer garden. JB had circulated information on 8/2. ELC had been advised of DCC support. However, some residents of Kings Court are known to oppose the proposals.</p>
4.00	<p><b><u>DUNBAR AND EAST LINTON AREA PARTNERSHIP</u></b></p>
4.01	<p><b><u>Meeting on January 24<sup>th</sup></u></b> – JB (Chair), PS, GW,TP and PG had attended</p> <p><i>Connected Communities Manager</i> – Stevie McKinley had been introduced.</p> <p><i>Queens Green Canopy</i>- There had been discussion about the damage to John Muir Country Park. Some members were concerned about the management of the clear up and planting. JB had noted her contacts with the Lieutenancy and ELC Officers. Mike Foy (Tree Officer) and Neil Clarke of Landscape and Countryside were advising the Landowners. Clear up would take some time. It was agreed that Stevie would get an update from ELC Officers. JB noted the existence of the John Muir Park Advisory Group, chaired by Stephen Bunyan (as President of the East Lothian Antiquarian and Field Naturalist Society), which had not met since before Covid. Neil Clarke had been considering a review of its remit and membership. It may be of benefit to ask him to arrange a meeting to discuss the storm damage and other maintenance matters. It may be beneficial to include reps of groups like Dunpender Community Council, Sustaining Dunbar and Friends of Belhaven in the membership.</p> <p><i>Lauderdale Gates</i> – Funding had been given to restore the gates in time for the Platinum Jubilee.</p> <p><i>Applications</i>- Various applications had been discussed including the Time and Tide Festival at Dunbar Harbour, Dunbar Christmas Lights, Dunbar Guiding and the Lauderdale Petanque Piste. Voting was to take place by e mail.</p> <p><i>Cycle Storage</i> – Mark James of Sustaining Dunbar had noted requests from Dunbar High Street residents and others for bike faciilties. PS said that such provision was a desire of DCC and noted previous discussions with ELC Officers including Mike Naysmith. Cllr Hampshire had noted the need to ensure that such provision did not create hazards for people with disabilities. PS agreed to liaise further with Mark James.</p>

	<i>Table tennis tables for Lauderdale Park</i> – Mark James had suggested provision. PS agreed to discuss with him further.
4.02	<b><u>Date of Next Business Meeting</u></b> – 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2022.
5.00	<b><u>DCC INITIATIVES UPDATE</u></b> <b><i>Dunbar Community Council manages a number of projects and initiatives throughout the year.</i></b>
5.01	<u>Christmas Lights and High Street Team (including Corn Exchange)</u> <i>Funding</i> £5000 had been received from DELAP The Lapland Challenge had continued.
5.02	<u>Dunbar Civic Week</u> The programme is being developed. An improved Facebook page is in place. The Civic Week Parade and Fun Day is planned for June 11 <sup>th</sup> . JB had met with Mike Foy, ELC Tree Officer and Gordon Whitelaw on February 18th regarding a suitable tree to plant in Lauderdale Park. Mike Foy had advised that a tree should not be planted before October.
5.03	<u>Dunbar Against Litter</u> – The Team had continued to work hard. Romie Blair had expressed concerns about debris blowing from building sites across the area. .
5.04	<u>Heritage Committee</u> – <i>War Memorial Extra name</i> – An order had been placed for work to add the name of George Shearer Young. Robertson Memorials had advised that the estimated time for work to be completed was 5 months.  <i>Parish Church Memorials</i> – JB and HC had met with Will Collin on 17 <sup>th</sup> February to discuss several memorials. 2 of these are for individuals who are not thought to have living relatives. The 3 <sup>rd</sup> is for 2 individuals who are known to have relatives living in the area. JB had noted, from her experience with the Sutherland grave, that Robertson Memorials will only take instruction from a family member unless there is certainty that there are none. HC will convene a meeting of the wider DCC Heritage Committee in March.
5.05	<b><u>Community Resilience</u></b> <b><i>Storm Malik</i></b> . had hit on 29 <sup>th</sup> January followed by <b><i>Storm Corrie</i></b> on 30 <sup>th</sup> . There had been some damage to property and trees as well as travel disruption. JB had liaised with members of the public and ELC Officers to share information on issues. Storm Dudley had hit on 16 <sup>th</sup> February. ELC buildings had closed early and Scotrail trains had stopped after 4 pm.  <b><u>Burst water main at West Barns</u></b> - 2 bursts had caused considerable disruption on Edinburgh Road. There had also been a number of long spells of disruption to the water supply. JB had reported to Scottish Water and had then liaised with ELC Officers, Scottish Water and their contractors and residents.  <b><u>Spaces for People</u></b> . Bollards on Countess Road between the Fire Station and station had been removed on 28 <sup>th</sup> January. Bollards remained alongside the Primary School. However, an article on ELC Facebook on 4/2 had indicated that these were to be replaced by permanent works to widen the pavement. Work is due for completion at half term. DCC had not been informed of this. The understanding at a meeting in August 2021 was that the bollards were

	<p>part of an 18 month trial and that any permanent works would need a TRO. There had been much concern expressed on social media. JB had contacted ELC for information on 6/2. Mr Lennox had responded on 8/2. He had advised that there had been consultation about the proposals in November. DCC had been invited to give a response but had not done so (JB has not found any contact from ELC about this). There had also been an online survey with 209 responses of which 81% had supported the work. The carriageway will be reduced from 9 metres to 8 metres which it is hoped will deter parking on the north side. If there are issues further measures will be taken. The work will be funded by Scottish Government Spaces for People monies.</p> <p><b><u>Twenty Miles Per Hour</u></b></p> <p>JB had contacted ELC for an update.</p> <p>Ian Lennox had advised that the consultation had ended in November. ELC officers are now pulling together a Report which will go to Cabinet. Other Councillors will also have access to the document and be able to make their views known. The Report will make recommendations on the different proposals for 20 mph and 40 mph areas- whether to retain, reject or reconfigure them.</p> <p>Following the Cabinet decision a TRO Process will be required.</p> <p>Mr Lennox noted that the timescale will be affected by the all out Council elections in May. In the meantime, concerns continue about the lack of enforcement of 20 mph in some areas e.g. Belhaven village, One way System, Queens Road, Brodie Road.</p>
5.06	<p><b><u>Platinum Jubilee</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Queens Green Canopy</u></b> JB had continued to follow up initiatives and promote the project. She is in contact with Mike Foy, ELC Tree Officer, and Gordon Whitelaw regarding a tree for Lauderdale Park as well as other potential sites e.g. Queen's Road, replanting of fallen trees at Parsonspool. Mike Foy can arrange ordering of trees for the planting season from October. He had noted issues in sourcing trees. There has been high demand following storms and also from the QGC initiative.</p> <p><b><u>Activities</u></b> – JB had circulated information from Pauline Jaffray DL on behalf of the Lieutenancy on the range of activities being promoted by Bruno Peek, official organiser of events across the UK.</p> <p>JB had circulated a paper from SB on proposals for local activities. Plans are in progress for a beacon on 2<sup>nd</sup> June.</p>
6.00	<p><b>DCC/ELC/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES</b></p>
6.01	<p><b><u>Dunbar High Street</u></b></p> <p><b><i>Dunbar High Street and Friends</i></b> – JB continues to post on the Facebook page</p> <p><b>SOLE</b>- Following the January CC meeting PS had written to Ward elected members noting concerns about the Project.</p> <p>On 18<sup>th</sup> January JB had been contacted by Michaela Sullivan, ELC Head of Development. JB had shared the information with DCC, Stevie McKinlay, DTA and AELCC. Michaela had advised that the Scottish Tech Army (STA) had applied for funding to expand the SOLE Project in Summer 2021. The post box for the application had been ELC. The application was prior to any evaluation of the Dunbar Pilot. The £50K granted in Spring 2021 had been the ELC match funding. The application had been approved around November. The website had been taken down at Michaela's request. There had been concerns about its functionality and content and lack of take up by traders. Recruitment was also to be on hold.</p> <p>A meeting of the Connected Economies Group had been held on 13<sup>th</sup> January. STA had attended. Cllrs Findlay and McLennan as Leaders of the 2 subgroups had been invited but had not attended. Michaela along with the Provost had raised concerns that STA had progressed recruitment and contacting community groups before all was finalised.</p> <p>There had been discussion about next steps. A new website and app were in production. These would be shared with communities when ready for consultation. It was proposed to develop Dunbar and move on to other towns. Ideas for the site/app included online sales,</p>

	<p>event promotion and bookings, hotel bookings. Michaela hoped that communities would wish to be involved.</p> <p>JB had noted issues of duplication with other sites ongoing locally – that other Community Councils and town traders had raised similar concerns.</p> <p>Sustainability had also been raised. The proposed posts were for 6 months. Michaela had indicated that the STA Post holders would show local traders and community reps how to use the site/app. Following that it would be up to local groups and volunteers to carry on. She had hoped that communities would support the initiative.</p> <p>Post the January DCC meeting PG had advised that recruitment had been ongoing and some key posts offered.</p> <p>JB had spoken to Philip Mellor and Jo Waddell of DTA and Philip Immirzzi on January 28<sup>th</sup>. The DTA continued to be concerned about the push by ELC to progress with SOLE despite the many issues that had arisen with the pilot. They were to discuss further at a DTA Committee meeting.</p> <p>Further to the DCC meeting information on SOLE had appeared in the ELC Inspire publication on 31<sup>st</sup> January. Concerns had been sent to ELC. AELCC had noted concerns.</p> <p>A letter had been sent from DCC/DTA/DELAP to Elected Members and Council Officers on 9/2 requesting a meeting.</p> <p>In the meantime, Community Councillors and Area Partnership members in Fa’side Ward had been invited to a presentation on Sole by the STA and Jamie Baker of ELC Economic Development. Ralph Averbuch, Chair of AELCC had noted concerns from Association members to Fa’side ward Connected Communities Manager, Simon Davie. Mr Davie had noted that the invitation was sent in error. The briefing for ELC staff was held on 16<sup>th</sup> February. Concerns had been raised by Connected Communities Managers e.g. about duplication and sustainability. It had been said that the Licence had been arranged for 3 years. It was expected that community volunteers would take on the long term maintenance. Community meetings were to be held to present the project.</p> <p>On 16<sup>th</sup> February Cllr Paul McLennan MSP had contacted Philip Mellor of DTA to arrange a meeting of community groups to discuss concerns.</p> <p>Cllr Craig Hoy MSP had also become involved after contact from Ralph Averbuch. He was to meet with the Provost and Douglas Proudfoot.</p> <p><b>Marketing-</b> The DTA are working on ideas including an updated website. JB and Philip Immirzzi had met with Philip Mellor and Jo Waddell on 28<sup>th</sup> January to consider how the Community Rail Partnership may assist funding of initiatives through rail operators. This had been discussed further at a meeting on January 31<sup>st</sup>.</p> <p><b>CARS-</b> No further information despite requests to ELC Officers. DTA and others share the concerns about the lack of information on where the grants are being spent.</p>
6.02	<p><b>Dunbar East Beach/Promenade Project</b> – No update</p>
6.03	<p><b>Belhaven Bay/Belhaven Village issues</b></p> <p><b>Access for All-</b>There had been no further development on the DELAP/DCC initiative. Disability access to Belhaven Bay had been discussed as part of the meeting of Belhaven residents with ELC Officers, JB and PS on 30<sup>th</sup> November.</p> <p><b>Belhaven Bay Bridge</b> – Concerns continue about the extension. It is being monitored by ELC.</p> <p><b>Belhaven Residents Group - Meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> January</b> – JB had attended.</p> <p><b>Planning</b> – Concerns had been shared regarding the approval of the snack van at Shore Road. JB had also noted the implications for the Belhaven area of the approval of Hallhill North.</p> <p><b>Roads-</b> There was further discussion of issues related to Back Road. A wish list of items was drawn up which John Lawson would submit to Alan Stubbs. JB noted ongoing discussions about the need for a masterplan for all road in the area.</p> <p><b>John Muir Country Park.</b> John Lawson had fed back on his meeting with Neil Clark where a number of maintenance issues had been discussed e.g. walls, boardwalks and the gabions. Mark James noted concerns about works to clear and regenerate the woodlands following Storm Arwen. JB had noted her contacts with ELC Officers and the EL Lieutenancy. The matter</p>

	<p>was to be discussed at DELAP on January 24<sup>th</sup>. It may be beneficial to request a meeting of the John Muir Country Park Advisory Group to consider these matters.</p> <p><b>Future of the Group</b>- This will need to be considered once matters raised in the participation request to ELC were resolved. However, at present resolution seemed to be some time off.</p> <p><b>Post Meeting</b> Alan Stubbs had fed back on some of the roads ideas discussed in November.. He noted that View Mirrors e.g. for Winterfield Place were not supported by ELC. It was not possible to have larger 20 mph repeater signs as they are a standard format. However, some road markings may be possible. He advised that a number of areas e.g. Shore Road/Edinburgh Road/Beveridge Row are included in discussions with Consultants to be brought forward in a Masterplan for community consultation.</p>
6.04	<p><b>Changing Places Changing Room – Dunbar Leisure Pool</b> No further information</p>
6.05	<p><b>A1</b></p> <p><b>Upgrade</b> – Traffic flow studies had taken place in January 2022.</p> <p><b>Closure</b> – The route had been closed south of Spott Road roundabout on January 28<sup>th</sup> due to Storm Malik. after power lines had been brought down. This had caused considerable disruption to traffic.</p> <p><b>Litter</b>- Litter had built up and JB had raised with Phil Hinchliff at Transport Scotland, ELC and BEAR for clear up to be arranged.</p> <p><b>Roadworks</b>- The A1 northbound carriageway will be closed overnight from 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> March between the cement works junction and Thistley Cross for repairs. Diversion is via the A1087, Countess Road and Summerfield Road.</p> <p><b>Spott to Dunbar Project</b> JB had met with Philip Immirzzi on January 28<sup>th</sup>. Further work had been ongoing. The construction required at the Spott end remained challenging due to the terrain. JB had noted issues that may impact on the Dunbar end following the Hallhill North approval e.g further pressure on Hospital Road from new vehicular access points, the uncertain funding for a crossing of the East Coast Main line, poor path maintenance by Taylor Wimpey, potential construction and development of part of Lochend Woods. Public consultation events will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> February. These will be in Spott Village Hall in the morning and at the Bleachingfield Centre 2-4 in the afternoon.</p>
<b>7.00</b>	<b>HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE</b>
7.01	<p><b>Health and Well Being Sub Group-</b></p> <p><b>Meeting on January 24<sup>th</sup></b> – JB and GW had attended. JB had circulated minutes.</p> <p>Services for Under 65s with Complex Needs – Louise Wilson of Out of the Box had given a presentation on the consultation work the organisation has been doing regarding services for this client group. A pilot has been running in the West of the County.</p> <p>Consideration is also being given for the development of services for adults in the east of the County. Service providers have been approached.</p> <p>Meeting Centres for people with dementia- discussions are continuing about the provision of a meeting centre in the Dunbar area. Current service providers had met to discuss what is currently available and potential needs.</p> <p>Belhaven Hospital – There had been further discussion. It is likely that there will be some delay in the process due to the ELC elections which will mean a change in membership of the IJB and the Change Boards. There will be a period of community consultation in which it is hoped community groups will assist in information gathering. A Report will likely go to the IJB at the end of 2022. It was again noted that the proposals for a National Care Service may also determine any progress.</p> <p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b> – February 28th</p> <p><b>Reprovision of Belhaven Hospital</b> – JB had circulated an update Newsletter from ELHSCP.</p>

	<p><b>Joint Meeting of Health and Wellbeing Group Chairs – January 20<sup>th</sup></b> – JB and TP had attended. JB had circulated notes (prepared by Hilary Smith of North Berwick Coastal Area Partnership) from this meeting with representatives of ELHSCP.</p> <p>The meeting was very much an introductory one. Background had been given on the Change Board looking at the re-provision of the 2 Community Hospitals and 2 Care Homes. This had been expanded to look at the wider picture of older people’s services in the county. It was recognised that the process had had some delays. There was discussion about the need to work in Co- production with communities and to include the views and life experiences of those in the rural communities as well as the towns. It was also important to include those who may not have access to digital means of engagement. It was made clear that people wished services close to home.</p> <p>A further meeting will be arranged in due course.</p> <p><b><u>Dunbar Day Centre</u></b></p> <p><b>Joint Meeting with Carers of East Lothian 11<sup>th</sup> February</b> JB,SB, GW had attended</p> <p>There was a discussion as to how the 2 groups may work together e.g COEL can offer carer support, grant advice, help with Carer’s Need Assessments. The Day Centre might refer people for COEL support. In return COEL may refer people to the Day Centre for services. Margaret Elliot is the COEL Carers Support Worker for Dunbar and East Linton Ward. It was agreed that she would be added to the circulation list for the DELAP Health and Wellbeing Group</p>
8.00	<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. Complaints continue. Situation will be impacted by further vehicular accesses onto the road from Hallhill North.</p> <p><i>Dropped kerbs prone to flooding due to subsidence</i> Areas at Pine Street, Shore Road and elsewhere will require more significant work. Shore Road work also depends on any future changes to the junction area.</p> <p><i>Uneven pavement in Westgate</i> –a trip hazard for day Centre users. Repair still to be programmed by ELC. Costing to be drawn up for consideration for DELAP funding.</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 and other issues. Many complaints from residents. A timetable is being sought by Planning Enforcement for the areas to be brought up to standard for adoption. ELC and Halhill Developments are in discussion with Taylor Wimpey but Persimmon have not responded to communications. Work on pavements underway in October.</p> <p><i>Condition of Belhaven Road/Belhaven High Street</i> -was to be reassessed in December for consideration for the 22/23 programme. In the meantime, JB had requested jetpatching of deep pot holes in the road on 13/12. Completed 24/1.</p> <p><i>Cycle/pedestrian paths around housing south of the railway line.</i> Still required</p> <p><i>Safe footway Beveridge Row to Brewery Lane</i> – Still needed. Alan Stubbs had advised that this was in the 2021-22 programme but Covid had created delays. He had since advised that work will not go ahead as the approval of Hallhill North will result in changes to the junction of Beveridge Row and Edinburgh Road.</p> <p><i>Routeways from Albany Grange to Hospital Road.</i> These are part of planning conditions. Chicane barriers had been installed in Spring 2021 but the route remains closed off. JB had chased this up with Taylor Wimpey. Planning Enforcement are 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>Beveridge Row/Hospital Road/Bayview Circus pavements and Access.</i> Markings had appeared at the top of Beveridge Row, forming a T junction on January 18<sup>th</sup>. There was no signage to indicate Give way or a change to the road layout. Alan Stubbs had advised that the route north is via Bayview Circus. Traffic going south should Give Way at the top of Beveridge Row. Cala are to be asked to consider a Give Way sign and signage to indicate the change of road layout.</p> <p><i>Potholes</i> – Many potholes have been reported and need repair.</p> <p><i>High Street Setts</i> – many of these are missing. Temporary tarmac infill repairs had been made in April and these are now breaking up. ELC have advised that setts are sourced from Spain and Portugal and are proving difficult to obtain.</p> <p><i>Planters Blocking the Pavement in Lamer Street</i> – A member of the public had noted concerns. Roads had advised that permits are needed for any infrastructure placed on public pavement. JB following up. Planters still block the footway.</p> <p><i>Spott Road Crossing</i> – still needed near the Business Centre. Alan Stubbs has advised that it is hoped to complete this by the Spring. There is a wait for parts from Siemens.</p> <p><i>Dangerous paving with large hole</i> near Royal McIntosh Hotel- reported 28/1.</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 Persimmon and Robertson.</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. Keith Scott is aware.</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. Being chased.</p> <p><i>Signage to ASDA from Spott Roundabout</i> – A member of the public had raised concerns. JB had passed to ELC/Transport Scotland</p> <p><i>Station Signage.</i> A resident of Salisbury Walk had raised road safety concerns about numbers of cars and pedestrians getting lost on the road seeking the station. JB had passed to ELC.</p> <p><i>Sign at One Way system</i> – The base is badly corroded, exposing the wiring. Reported to ELC 14/10. Still to be repaired/replaced.</p> <p><i>Sign at High Street at one way system.</i> This was falling apart and held together with tape. It was at risk of falling. Reported to ELC 14/10. The sign had been removed and a replacement is awaited.</p> <p><i>Traffic Lights by Medical Centre Damaged by Borders bus</i> on 13/10. JB had shared dashcam footage to ELC. Repaired January 2022.</p> <p><i>Signage to Day Centre</i> – pointing in the wrong direction. Corrected February.</p> <p><i>Damaged sign at one way system</i>- has a significant lean. Reported 28/1.</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 (DCDHT).</i> Work still needed to make it safe.</p> <p><i>Walls in Hospital Road</i> – Ownership is split between Persimmon and Taylor Wimpey. Planning Enforcement involved. Persimmon started work February 2022.. 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.Action still needed by Persimmon.</p> <p><i>Damaged wall in Spott Road-</i> Repaired January 2022.</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>Flooding at Alexander Gardens.</i> Problems continue in rain. The Albany Grange compound had been removed. However, the kickabout pitch under construction and the footpath are both regularly flooded. A permanent drainage solution is still required. Planning Enforcement involved.</p> <p><i>Flooding near Lethendry, North Road.</i> Issues have exacerbated in recent heavy rains. JB had had further contact with ELC and the resident. Alan Stubbs had advised on 13/12that significant work will be needed to rectify the problem but it is on a list of areas where property is at risk from flooding.</p> <p><i>Drainage for Robertson Joyness Estate.</i> Major roadworks had taken place. There are continuing issues of sewage odour at the point where the new piping linked to the old system at Countess Road near the station since the work was completed. Scottish water installed new manhole covers in January 2022 but the problem continues.. JB chasing and liaising with residents. Kings Court are also experiencing problems. The problems seem related to the ongoing issues at fair Acres of backing up sewage in the drains and with the SUDS system. Newtonlees residents are also having ongoing problems.</p> <p><i>Water Main Bursts in Belhaven Road near Old Library and Police Station.</i> These are frequent and needing attendance by Scottish Water. There were 2 incidents in 3 weeks in August September leading to loss of supply for as long as 6 hours. JB has asked Scottish water if they have plans for a long term solution.</p> <p><i>Flooding at Old Eden Hotel</i> – Water is flowing from the street drain, down the drive and into the stair well during heavy rain. It is related to a sunken drop kerb. Passed to ELC 13/9. Alan Stubbs had advised on 13/12 that the area is on a list of works where properties are at risk of flooding. However, significant funding will be needed to rectify the problems. JB had fed back to the resident.</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. Some work has been done.</p> <p><i>Overgrown trees en route from Torry Wynd to DPS.</i> Responsibility of Taylor Wimpey. Passed to them.</p>

	<p><i>Overgrown path between Cala and Beveridge Row.</i> Responsibility of Cala. Passed to them and Planning.</p> <p><i>Overgrown path at South Street</i> – now impassable and undermining the structure of a nearby wall. Passed to Amenities September 2021.</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. Neil Clark hopes repairs will be made by AG Thomson before March 2022..</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>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.</p> <p><i>Information Boards at The Glebe-</i> have been removed. JB chaisng with ELC..</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. Paul lanetta advised that they were still outstanding on 10/9.</p> <p><i>High Street Lighting</i> Issues continue. Complaints from the public about the lack of lighting continue. The Heritage lamps need replacement as parts can no longer be sourced.</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>Telegraph Pole at Knockenhair Road</i> – Fixed by BT January 2022 but blown down again by Storm Corrie. Reported again to BT. New pole erected 3/2.</p> <p><i>Faulty Crossing Lights at Parsonspool.</i> Had been reported as out of order and fixed on 8/2. Problems again with them being fixed on green on 10/2. Reported to ELC and repaired on 10/2.</p>
8.08	<p><b>Litter/Graffiti/Vandalism.</b></p> <p><i>Graffiti</i> -on Bridge Near Beltonford, Signage to Belhaven from Eweford Road and other locations. Still to be cleaned off. Keith Scott aware</p> <p><i>Fly tipping</i> - continues to be an issue around the town.</p> <p><i>Dog Fouling-</i> Continues to be a problem</p> <p><i>Vandalism</i> – various incidents around the town reported to Police, Community Warden and ASB Team. Patrols are taking place. A number of Parent Advisory letters had been issued. Police and ELC Officers are meeting regarding strategy. (See Police Report).</p>
8.09	<p><b>Transport</b></p> <p><b>Buses</b></p> <p><i>Bus Stops</i>–. Perspex is still to be replaced by ELC at a number of stops around the town. JB has advised Keith Scott of locations and he will replace them..</p> <p>A new bus shelter is still needed at Lochend Road to replace the one that was vandalised. Eleni Gourgataki of ELC had advised that a replacement would be arranged as part of the new contract – hopefully within the financial year.</p> <p><b>.Trains</b></p>

	<p><i>Services –</i></p> <p><i>Ticket Office</i> hours at Dunbar and at other Scotrail stations had been proposed for reduction. A consultation had been completed on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.</p> <p><i>Storm Malik</i> had caused power cables to fall leading to cancellation of services north of Newcastle on 29<sup>th</sup> January. There had also been cancellation of Scotrail services throughout East Lothian. Scotrail services had ended at 4 pm on 16<sup>th</sup> February as preparation for Storm Dudley.</p> <p><i>Scotrail Temporary Timetable</i> – This had been in place due to Covid pressures and ended on 14<sup>th</sup> February with a return to a more complete service.</p> <p><i>TransPennine Express Strike</i>- This will take place on Sundays 13,20,27 February and 6<sup>th</sup> March. Some services through Dunbar will not run.</p> <p><i>Dunbar Station</i>- Network Rail are to do further tree felling and replanting as part of works to protect the boundary wall of a resident near the southern side of the station. This will include replacing some trees planted in 2021 which did not thrive. Scottish Woodland will do the work on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Local Residents are being informed. Bird and bat surveys will be carried out. JB had suggested to Tracey Penman of Network Rail that the trees planted are registered with the Queen’s Green Canopy.</p> <p><b>Community Rail Partnership</b></p> <p><b><i>Joint Meeting of Scottish CRPs with Denise Havard and Brian Barnsley of Community Rail Network – January 31<sup>st</sup></i></b> – JB had attended.</p> <p>There had been sharing of some of the projects from around the CRPs. JB and Philip Immirzi had spoken of some of the possible projects that they had discussed with DTA e.g. promotion of long distance paths from the station, promotion of John Muir Connections.</p> <p>Denise Havard’s Paths for All Funding is due to cease on March 31<sup>st</sup>. It was hoped she would be continued. An application had been made by the Community rail Network for extension.</p> <p>Concern was expressed about the lack of clarity for the funding of CRPs by the forthcoming replacement operator for Scotrail.</p> <p><b><i>Joint Meeting of Scottish CRPs with Denise Havard – February 17<sup>th</sup></i></b> JB had attended. All CRPs had submitted letters of support for the continuation of funding for Denise’s post.</p> <p>There was further discussion of the continued concerns about the lack of clarity about whether or not the replacement Scottish operator will continue to support CRPs and, if so, what the support will be including financial support. Denise had shared the substantial document of agreement between Transport for Wales and Welsh CRPs.</p> <p><b>Parking</b></p> <p><i>Abbeylands Car Park</i> ELC Cabinet in May 2021 had agreed to a consultation on a 90 minute limit. This is still to be progressed by Keith Scott.</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 by JB.</p>
8.11	<p><b>Other</b></p>
	<p><b><i>Maharajah Duleep Singh – Dunbar connections</i></b> – The headstone order was completed with Robertson Memorials and initial payment made on 14<sup>th</sup> February. The</p>

estimated delivery time is 28 weeks. JB had updated Peter Bance, Gordon Whitelaw and others.

**Issues at New Robertson site** – Issues of dust, drainage etc continue and Newtonlees residents remain unhappy. Issues at the SUDS had continued.

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 stading. 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. Complaints have also been made about the level of debris e.g. plastic sheeting which blows across the area of windy days.

There have been many complaints about mud on Queens Road connected to the site. In addition, the Dunbar name board has been moved away from the road by the developer. Concerns have been passed to Planning Enforcement.

JB continues to support Newtonlees residents.

**Parking in Yosemite Park.** Safety measures still required. Responsibility of Persimmon. Enforcement of parking safety is dependent on roads adoption.

**Built Environment at Yosemite Park-** Various issues being taken up by ELC Housing Officer/Taylor Wimpey. JB to meet with ELC Housing Officer when conditions allow.

**Built environment at Castle Rock Properties in Brodie Road.** Many issues for tenants. Housing Officer, Nikki Hogg, still to contact JB.

**25 Pounder Gun** – Condition remains of concern. Further information needed on costs and work proposals. SB is working on this with George Robertson.

**Lauderdale Park** – Amenities are arranging restoration of the gates. DELAP have given a £5000 grant.

Discussions are ongoing about the siting of a petanque piste in the park. It had been thought that Planning Permission would be needed. However, on 15<sup>th</sup> February Andrew Hogarth had advised that this would not be required. Amenities will try to schedule the work for completion by Easter. JB had seen the proposed site which has been marked out for 4 pistes at a meeting with Gordon Whitelaw on 18<sup>th</sup> February.

**The Space Multi Use /Skatepark/Pump Track facilities.** Further information awaited on the public consultation. Concerns continue by DCWG and others about the location of the skatepark and pump track in the woodland, leading to tree felling and loss of habitat.

**Toilets** – Opening at Bayswell Road had been limited since 11<sup>th</sup> January to the disabled toilet only due to staffing issues related to Covid and some damage. They had reopened on January 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Safety at One way System** – Problems continue with drivers going the wrong way with near miss incidents (eg on 26/1).JB had again passed to ELC.

**Parking Issues at Deerpark Cemetery** – A number of people had contacted JB concerned that vehicles connected to the Robertson site were taking over the parking layby near the cemetery. This had caused upset to some funeral goers, including some with disabilities, who had had to miss graveside services because they could not park. JB had contacted ELC to see if arrangements could be made for funeral times which are known in advance. Alan Stubbs had advised on 1<sup>st</sup> February that an Officer had spoken to Robertsons. The Company would be building a site compound in early February which would have parking. In the meantime, the situation would be monitored.

**Safety for Riders on the A1087-** A resident had requested a reduction in the speed limit due to the increasing number of cars along the road between whitesands and the cement Works. JB had contacted Morag Haddow who had advised that this would

	not be possible due to the nature of the road. ELC have been concentrating on reducing speed limits within settlements.
<b>9.00</b>	<b>MEETINGS ATTENDED</b>
9.01	<p><b>Sustaining Dunbar January 18th</b> – JB had attended <b>Belhaven Community Garden</b>. The Steering Group was working well with a number of new volunteers with interest to help expand work e.g. activities for children and a calendar of events.</p> <p>There was further discussion of the Scotland Loves Local funding which will enable the continuation of funding for both the Community Garden and the Local Good Food Alliance.</p> <p><b>Belhaven Hospital</b> – JB had given further information on the current proposals by ELC and NHS Lothian. She had shared the Great Expectations document produced by the DELAP Health and Wellbeing Group. There was discussion as to whether Sustaining Dunbar might initiate a community discussion on the future of services at the site as part of the What If?/What Next conversations. JB had agreed to raise this with ELHSCP staff at future Health and Wellbeing Group meetings.</p> <p><b>Assembly Rooms</b>- JB had noted the rejection of the owner’s appeal by the Reporter. There was a discussion about possible future direction for the building e.g. as a community hub.</p> <p><b>SOLE</b>- JB had updated. Vacancies had been posted on the Sustaining Dunbar website. They would now be taken down.</p> <p><b>Windfarms</b>- Elisabeth Wilson of Innerwick had been in contact with concerns about the cumulative impact on onshore rural communities of infrastructure related to windfarms. JB noted that she would be meeting with Elisabeth. JB noted the consultation programmes proposed for Berwick Bank and the Eastern Link which followed on from the NNG development.</p> <p><b>John Muir Country Park Regeneration</b>- Mark James had shared concerns about how JMCP might be regenerated post Storm Arwen. This was to be brought to the DELAP meeting on January 24<sup>th</sup>. JB noted her contact with ELC staff and the Lord Lieutenant’s Office post Storm Arwen. She noted that it may be beneficial to ask Neil Clark of Landscape and Countryside to call a meeting of the John Muir Park Advisory Group. This had not met for a couple of years and JB felt it would be helpful to consider not only the restoration of the woodland but also other aspects like maintenance of the areas paths which had seen heavy use during Covid.</p> <p>Investing in Communities – Mark James noted that he had attended an initial meeting with Kate Darrah of The Ridge to work up a funding application to this new fund.</p> <p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b> February 23<sup>rd</sup></p>
9.02	<p><b>Food Matters</b></p> <p><b>East Lothian Foodbank AGM 27<sup>th</sup> January</b> -JB had attended</p> <p>The Board was re-elected with Rev Liz O’Ryan, Rector of Holy Trinity Church in Haddington, continuing as the Chair.</p> <p>The last year had been very busy and new staff had been taken on . Elaine Morrison had been taken on as Manager. Over 3000 parcels had been delivered with over 7000 people fed. Much food had been donated- 50% of it from Tesco customers and the Churches.</p> <p>Referrals come from a wide range of partners. A new e referral form had been introduced. The majority of referrals had come from the west of the County. There had been an increase in the number of people who were working but on low incomes and who were finding it difficult to manage the increasing cost of living. Covid had brought additional challenges e.g. people who were furloughed and some of the army of volunteers had required to shield or attend to their own family responsibilities.</p> <p>The Foodbank also gave grants to other organisations like Roots and Fruits.</p> <p>The Foodbank was a member of the East Lothian Friendly Food Network and as such had contributed to the Good Food Charter and the East Lothian Poverty Plan.</p> <p>Superintendent Claire McIntosh of the SE Scotland Fisherman’s Mission had asked about provision in the Dunbar area. JB and Katy Pollock of Support from the Start had given information and links to Dunbar Foodshare and The Ridge.</p>

	<p><b>East Lothian Friendly Food Network 9<sup>th</sup> February</b> JB had attended</p> <p><i>Good Food Charter</i> – This had been submitted to Paolo Vestri at ELC. It is to be decided as to how the Charter will be processed for adoption by ELC.</p> <p><i>Presentation – The Importance of Breakfast Provision by Jonathan Sharples of the Pennypit Trust.</i></p> <p>Jonathan noted the importance of breakfast for children. Good nutrition aids learning and concentration. Sadly, many children in the UK arrive at school without having had breakfast. This includes children across East Lothian.</p> <p>He spoke of the work of breakfast clubs in some ELC schools. These were felt to be beneficial both to ensure children got a good start to the day but they also offered opportunity for socialisation.</p> <p>He hoped that the number of school breakfast clubs could be expanded in the county. It was hoped to map provision – at present knowledge of where clubs were being held was patchy. There were challenges to provision e.g. funding, needing to be wary of allergens.</p> <p>A meeting is to be held with the Head of Education to discuss the importance of the roll out across east Lothian.</p> <p>Jonathan was thanked for his presentation. There was discussion about the location of breakfast clubs known to those present. The topic was felt to link with the presentation in January of the importance of healthy weight in children. It was felt also to link into the themes of the Good Food Charter and the Poverty Plan. There was discussion about funding. It was thought that provision of breakfast clubs would have been previously possible through the Educational Attainment Fund. Members felt that given issues post pandemic such funding would be welcomed again by Area Partnerships.</p> <p><i>Food Banks</i> – There was a general discussion on the use of the East Lothian Foodbank and similar resources. All were seeing an increase in requests, particularly from those in low paid employment. There was also an increase in requests for no cook food. The issue of increased fuel costs was discussed – that people were finding that they were having to choose between heating and eating. It was seen that this was likely to be an increasing problem with both food and utility costs rising. There was a discussion about sources of funding to assist those in need.</p> <p><i>Shared Van for Food Hubs</i>- This was being explored further in terms of the costs of buying/leasing a van and options for insuring multiple users.</p> <p><i>Energy Drinks</i> – The sale of these to under age children by some retailers was discussed. Some pupils were buying/consuming them en route to school which was causing problems. It was agreed to discuss this further at a future meeting.</p> <p><i>Belhaven Community Garden/ Dunbar and East Linton Local Good Food Alliance.</i> JB had updated on the Scotland Loves Local funding and the project being led by Naomi Barnes.</p> <p><i>Next Meeting</i> – March 3rd</p>
9.03	<p><b>John Muir Birthplace Trust EGM – 3<sup>rd</sup> February</b> JB had attended</p> <p>The main purpose of the meeting was to approve the Accounts. This was done.</p> <p>There was discussion about a possible link for funding for exhibitions with the John Muir Trust. This will be discussed further.</p> <p>It was noted that the Charity that supports the John Muir Way may close. This could raise difficulties for ongoing maintenance and promotion of the route.</p> <p>It was noted that Tracy Robertson will be leaving the ELC Museums Service to take up a post as manager of Lauriston Castle in Edinburgh.</p>
9.04	<p><b>Viridor Liaison Group- 16<sup>th</sup> February</b> – JB had attended</p> <p><b>Landfill</b>- Recent storms had had an impact on the landfill site. It was too windy for work to go ahead. This meant that suppliers had built up a backlog of waste. The wind had caused some issues with waste blowing across the site. There had also been storm damage to trees on the site and to fencing.</p> <p>JB had noted the level of litter on the A1 which she had reported to Bear.</p>

	<p>Tonnage had been static. Some ELC waste had been taken when the Millerhill ERF was on outage.</p> <p>Landfill will be banned from 2025. Cllr NH had asked about restoration of the land. Manager, Barry Falgate, had advised that restoration had been a planning condition when the lifetime extension was approved. There is only one cell remaining to be filled. A clear restoration plan has to be submitted to ELC by 2023.</p> <p>Cristina Davison was introduced as the new SEPA Inspector for the landfill. A dedicated landfill team had been established in January 2022. She will be conducting her first inspection in the Spring. There had been no complaints since the last Liaison meeting. She noted that SEPA were still recovering from the 2021 Cyberattack and new reporting and recording systems were being established.</p> <p><b>ERF</b> – Manager, Mike Carr noted that tonnage had been down over the last quarter. This was partly due to damage to the building by Storm Arwen. This included major damage to sections of the roof which had exposed insulation materials. Vehicles had been damaged by debris. Repairs were ongoing. The ERF had also been hit by power cuts.</p> <p>There had been an incident with a gas bottle entering the waste stream. There was discussion as to how this might be prevented. It seems Clyde Valley waste is segregated but South Lanarkshire Waste comes in black bags. It was noted that education programmes do take place in the supplying local authorities.</p> <p>Incinerated Bottom Ash continues to go to Fife by Road.</p> <p><b>Heat Plan</b>- There is still no confirmed use for the Heat as required by the 2010 Planning approval. Mike Carr noted the complications of the geography of the site being some distance from potential users. An updated Heat Plan has been submitted to SEPA. Discussions are ongoing with ELC Officers e.g. Paul lanetta.</p> <p><b>Junction</b>- Concerns continue about the safety. A contractor had been warned since the last meeting about unsafe crossing of the A1. JB noted the proposal at the last A1 Action group to have a site visit to junctions of concern around Dunbar. Cllr NH noted discussions between ELC, Transport Scotland and Bear regarding the possibility of a roundabout. Contributions from businesses like Viridor and tarmac could enable this to be brought forward. Mike Carr noted that this discussion would need to be with another Viridor Section.</p> <p><b>SP Energy Networks Eastern Link</b>- This is being dealt with by another Viridor Section. The land currently belongs to Viridor. However, SP Energy Networks do have powers for compulsory purchase if required. The proposals would affect the boundary of the landfill. However, in particular the proposed Converter Station would be on the footprint of the previously proposed plastics recycling plant. This would impact on future use of the heat as required by the Planning Consent of 2010. Viridor had also had other potential ideas for use of the site and thus the Heat. The Converter Station will not be expected to have any use for the ERF heat. JB noted the SP Energy Networks presentation to be given to DCC on 21<sup>st</sup> March.</p> <p><b>Community</b></p> <p>School Industrial Cadet programmes continue in South Lanarkshire and the Clyde Valley. A placement for a 3<sup>rd</sup> year Engineering student will be offered at Dunbar in 2022. Recruitment will be in the Spring.</p> <p>Sue Anderson hopes that visits by school and other interested organisations/individuals will be able to begin again in April.</p> <p>JB noted proposals for Civic Week. Sue Anderson would consider some involvement. She will be organising some fun activities for the Time and Tide Festival in June.</p> <p>JB noted the Queens Green Canopy initiative. Mike Carr said that the staff were interested in planting fruit trees on site. JB agreed to pass on further information.</p> <p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b> – 25<sup>th</sup> May</p>
<b>10.00</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED</b>
10.01	<p><b>Via Facebook – Various</b> – Drainage/Stench issues near Station. JB had responded.</p> <p><b>Stuart Anthony</b>- Toilet access issues. PS/JB had responded</p> <p><b>Heather Young, VCEL</b>- Change in VCEL link to DCC -JB had responded</p> <p><b>Via Facebook -Heather Towle</b>- Drainage issues at Robertson Development- JB had responded</p> <p><b>Via Facebook</b>- Various – Comments on Starbucks application. JB had responded</p>

**Various** – SOLE- JB had responded  
**SP Energy Networks** – Eastern Link Proposals  
**VCEL**- Mental Health Funding – JB had responded  
**Via Facebook- Various** -Issues at Newtonlees related to Robertson site – JB had responded  
**Via Facebook- Various.** Concerns about refusal of appeal on the Assembly Rooms-JB had responded.  
**Via Facebook- Various-** Concerns about proposed developments at Lochend Woods. JB had responded.  
**Via Facebook-** Various- Changes to road priority at Beveridge Row. JB had responded.  
**PC Chris Hutchison-** Changes in Police staffing at Dunbar  
**Sanchita Patjoshi-** application to join DCC  
**Philip Immirzzi-** Update on Spott to Dunbar Path Project  
**Via Facebook-Les Smart-** Query about Hallhill Developments/Provision for local shops. JB had responded  
**Stephen Blackwell, High Street Safari-** Queens Platinum Jubilee Beacon Trail- PS had responded  
**Pauline Jaffray DL-** Queens Green Canopy- JB had responded  
**VCEL-** TSI Survey- JB had responded  
**Scottish Government via Community Councils-** Stay in Scotland Information Campaign for EU Citizens  
**Sustaining Dunbar-** Proposals for community engagement on the future of Belhaven Hospital. JB had responded  
**Via Facebook-** various- long term proposals for John Muir Country Park  
**Allison Cosgrove** – Concerns about proposals for petanque piste at Lauderdale Park. PS and JB had responded  
**Via Facebook- Fiona Moore-** near miss incident at one way system on 26/1. JB had responded  
**Via Facebook- Various-** concerns about youth ASB. Passed to Police and ELC.  
**Scottish Communities Alliance** -Local People Leading Newsletters  
**Ralph Averbuch, AELCC-** Proposals for a rotating AELCC Chair  
**Gary Donlin-** Update on Berwick Bank  
**Via Facebook- Catriona Hope-** Query about Youth services. JB had responded.  
**Pauline Jaffray DL-** Suggestions for Platinum Jubilee events & activities. JB had responded and circulated  
**Sandy Baptie** – Weather Warning for storm Malik  
**ELC Community Councils-** Benefit advice services.  
**VCEL-** Newsletter  
**RAGES Rag-** Information on the ticket office hours consultation  
**Carolann Cranston** – Update on the Assembly Rooms  
**Via Facebook- Various-** Storm damage. JB had responded  
**Various-** Concerns about Eastern Link proposals  
**Various-** Concerns about Robertson workers preventing parking by funeral parties at Deerpark Cemetery. JB had responded.  
**Via Facebook -Gillian Wood** – Safety issues for horse riders on the A198. JB had responded.  
**Via Facebook- Marian Lloyd-** storm damaged electricity substation near Dunbar Primary School. JB had responded and passed to ELC.  
**Ewan McIntyre-** Vandalism to property at Colvin Street. JB had responded  
**Via Facebook- Scott Gaylor-** Misuse of blue badge parking spaces at DPS – JB had responded  
**Via Facebook-**query about access to feminine hygiene products at Bleachingfield.JB had responded and passed to Bleachingfield manager.  
**SP Energy Network-** Update on Eastern Link project  
**Via Facebook- Justine Bradd-** Query about lorry parked in Kellie Road – JB had advised to contact the Police  
**Network Rail-** information on proposed tree removal near Dunbar Station South Platform  
**Zurich Insurance** – Request for premium payment. Paid by AS/JB.payment confirmed.

**Via Facebook- various-** Concerns about proposed pavement widening near Dunbar Primary School. JB had responded  
**Via Facebook- Romie Blair-** Dog issues near DPS Lochend Campus. JB had responded  
**Sustaining Dunbar** – Newsletter  
**Twining Association-** Newsletter  
**Dunbar Community Bakery** – Newsletter  
**East Lothian Horizons-** Update on Refugee project – JB had responded  
**Parvine Jazaveri** (Ageing Well Co-ordinator)- Tyne Esk Leader survey on older people services  
**Via Facebook -Jone Weightman Matteucci-** Interest in joining DCC. JB had responded  
**Via Facebook- Lisa Gilmour-** Advice on tree removal. JB had responded  
**ELC Licensing** – Consultation on ELC Gambling Statement of Principles  
**ELC Licensing** – Major Variation at Station Yard Micropub  
**Bear SE Network-** Roadworks on A1 and amendments to the diversion route.  
**William Barnott-** Update on Scottish Power/Viridor Heat options- JB had responded  
**Via Facebook- Marian Lloyd-** Fault at Parsons Pool Traffic Lights. JB had responded and passed to ELC.  
**Sue Northrop, DFEL-** Update on proposals for a meeting centre in Dunbar  
**East Linton Station** – Update on Construction  
**Rages-** News Bulletin  
**Scottish Rural Parliament** – Notes from meeting attended by JB  
**ELC Policy and Projects-** Consultation on Short Term Lets  
**George Robertson-** Query about contact for Dunbar Police. JB had responded.  
**Via Facebook-Andy Sim-** Seeking information on CARS- JB had responded  
**Scottish Government-** Consultation on Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles (Scotland) Bill  
**Sandy Baptie-** Weather warning  
**Catherine Dunning** – request to attend Eastern Link briefing. JB had responded  
**Shona Borthwick-** Tree works at station- JB had responded  
**Various-** Concerns about SOLE roll out.  
**Martin Gilbert-** Query about Jubilee events  
**Gary Donlin, SSE Renewables-** Query about SP Energy Networks Presentation – PS and JB had responded.  
**Via Facebook- Findlay Cook-** Concerns about Station Yard Micropub licence extension  
**Mark James-** Town Centre cycle rack sites. PS had responded.  
**SSE Renewables- Berwick Bank-** Public Exhibition at Innerwick Village Hall 1-7 pm on 8<sup>th</sup> March.