



Community Council Open Meeting Minutes of Meeting Monday 21st March 2022 7 pm by Zoom Conference Call

PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION – Cllr Paul McLennan MSP – Short Term Lets Cllr McLennan had circulated information prior to the meeting

Councillor McLennan gave a short presentation to explain Short Term Lets Control Areas and Licensing.

Short Term Let Control Areas could be County wide or area specific and, once designated, would mean that the number of short term lets would be controlled through the planning system. A consultation is underway at present and responses are invited before 11th April.

For info and consultation link go to:

https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/info/210547/planning_and_building_standards/12244/other_planning_guidance/2

Separate from this, Local authorities will be required to establish a short-term lets licensing scheme by 1 October 2022, and existing hosts and operators will have until 1 April 2023 to apply for a licence. Every short term let will have to be licensed.

Whilst it was recognised by the meeting that the impact of short term lets on communities could be detrimental, there was considerable discussion about the workability of both of these control measures.

PMc confirmed that feedback to ELC would be welcomed and encouraged DCC to consider whether or not a Control Area would be a positive for Dunbar, given the forthcoming issues related to accommodating construction/services workers and pressure on North Berwick holiday accommodation.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

Ref	Item	Action
1.00	SEDERUNT <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>	
1.01	Attendees Pippa Swan (PS)(Chair), Graham Adams (GA)(Vice Chair), Alasdair Swan (AS)(Treasurer), Gill Wilson (GW), Stephen Bunyan (SB), Herbert Coutts (HC), Paul Gillon (PG), Terry Prior (TP), Sanchita Patjoshi (SP), Cllr Norman Hampshire (NH), Cllr Paul McLennan MSP (PMc), Anouska Woods (Be Green), Cameron Ritchie (Press), Jone Matteucci, Mike Shaw, Rev Keith Mills (Members of the Public)	

1.02	Welcome PS welcomed Jone Matteucci to the meeting, as prospective DCC Councillor. JB will be asked to advise ELC of Jone's election.	JB
1.03	Apologies Stevie McKinley (CCM), Jacquie Bell(JB)(Secretary), Councillor Sue Kempson (SK)	
1.03	Application for DCC Membership – Jone Matteucci JM spoke briefly to her submitted application to become a DCC Councillor. She was duly invited to join the Community Council.	
2.00	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
2.01	Councillors declaring an interest in matters to be discussed - None	
3.00	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – February 21st 2022	
3.01	Amendments None	
3.02	Adoption <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed - Graham Adams • Seconded - Paul Gillon The minutes were duly adopted	
3.03	Action Review All DCC action items have been attended to. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AS and JB had made various payments ○ PS had written to Richard Hunter of Grayling to advise of DCC concerns regarding the SP Energy Network Eastern Link Project ○ JB had sent Sanchita's details to ELC 	
3.04	Matters arising not covered in agenda None	
4.00	ELC COUNCILLOR REPORTS	
4.01	Norman Hampshire <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Action Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>High Street Lighting</i> – Dunbar High Street will get new lighting to existing lamp standards at some point this year. Funding has been allocated. ▪ <i>Building Site waste</i> – Developers will now be required to keep all site waste in covered skips. Existing developments will be monitored to ensure improved waste management. ▪ <i>Youth Hub Update</i> – NH will meet with the Woodland Group to further discuss concerns. A planning application will be forthcoming this year ▪ <i>Public Toilets</i> -All public toilets will be fully operational as of 26th March 2022 for the summer season 2. Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>A1 Junction – Cement Works</i> – NH confirmed that discussions were now fully underway between Lafarge, EDF and other stakeholders who have all finally agreed that works must be undertaken to address the safety issues at the Cement Works Junction to the A1. This development was very warmly welcomed by DCC, which has been pressing for action on this matter for years. 	

4.02	Sue Kempson Not in attendance	
4.03	Paul McLennan 1. Action Update – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>SOLE</i>- PMcC and Philip Mellor have been in contact regarding SOLE and a meeting has taken place between DTA/DCC and ELC Economic Development. STA has approached PMcC but no meeting has taken place. ▪ <i>Energy Meeting</i> – A full meeting between all energy companies involved in the forthcoming wind farm and Eastern Link power projects was held on March 18th. A wide range of issues were discussed including how East Lothian might best help to provide the trained workforce that these big infrastructure projects will require. More meetings are to be held to discuss these issues further and DCC was invited to join as an active participant. PG will be DCC liaison for this. ▪ <i>Eastern Link Accommodation</i> - Meeting to be held on May 16th to discuss options for managing accommodation for construction teams so that it does not adversely affect the growing tourist economy of Dunbar. 	
4.04	Questions to Councillors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>20 mph – Implementation and Enforcement</i> – NH confirmed that the information on speed restricted zones was out for comment by CCs and stakeholders only at this stage. A full public consultation will take place later in the year at which time concerns raised by constituents would be addressed. 	
5.00	TREASURER’S REPORT – See Community Report 1.00	
5.01	DCC Monthly Account The statement of accounts was circulated in advance of the meeting. There were no matters arising or questions.	
5.02	Local Priorities Fund The following applications for funding were approved: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Civic Week Committee – for the 2022 Fun Day 2. Christmas Lights Committee – for remedial work following the winter storms. 3. Rotary – for organising a Platinum Jubilee picnic for the elderly in June. 4. Dunbar Petanque Club – for boules to introduce young people and school children to petanque 5. Dunbar Trades’ Association and The Ridge – for the 2022 High Street hanging baskets. 6. 25 pounder gun repair (organised by George Robertson). <p>Arrangements will be made to pay these grants before the end of the month.</p>	AS
5.03	Graham Adams was asked to convey to the Christmas Lights Team the Community Council’s thanks and admiration for the way they erected the lights so safely in such stormy winter conditions.	GA

6.00	<p>COMMUNITY REPORT – circulated by email in advance of DCC Meeting and addended (JB)</p> <p>The Community Report provides information and updates on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>DCC Finances</i> • <i>Community Police</i> • <i>Planning</i> • <i>DCC Initiatives/Projects</i> • <i>Community Projects</i> • <i>Health and Social Care Provision</i> • <i>Roads and Infrastructure maintenance</i> • <i>Record of meetings attended</i> • <i>Correspondence received</i> 	
6.01	<p>Matters arising/questions other than Planning and Licensing Matters</p> <p><u>Queens Platinum Jubilee</u></p> <p>SB reported that commemorations were gradually building. To date the agreed projects include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Formal opening of new lounge area at Hallhill by Lord Lieutenant (NH) ▪ Tree planting at Hallhill (NH) ▪ Queen’s Green Canopy – community tree planting (SB) ▪ Jubilee Picnic, Lauderdale Park – families and older people to be invited to enjoy music and a picnic from 12 – 3pm on Friday 3rd June (Rotary/DCC) ▪ Jubilee Beacon Lighting – 9.30 – 10pm – Thursday 2nd June (Rotary/DCC) 	
7.00	<p>PLANNING AND LICENSING MATTERS - circulated by email in advance of DCC Meeting as part of COMMUNITY REPORT (JB)</p>	
7.01	<p><u>Planning Applications for consideration/discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>22/00259/P – Erection of house in Garden ground of Manor House, Belhaven.</i> JB had circulated information on the updated application. <p>DCC response – no adverse comment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>22/00277/P – Dunbar Tennis Club.</i> Request for a S42 to vary Condition 1 of 19/00141. This refers to the lighting levels at the Courts. JB had circulated information. Also correspondence from local residents who have had ongoing dialogue about light pollution for the current lighting at their home. JB had shared information from a site visit. <p>DCC response – DCC recognised the impact that the lights were having on a particular household. It was equally recognised that the tennis courts were an important and valuable recreational resource and that the club had over 300 members and was growing in popularity, particularly with younger players. It was noted that the installation of the court lights had been managed by ELC and that they were appropriate for safe play. Suggestions were made about how the nuisance to the specific household might be mitigated. After discussion, it was agreed that DCC should write to ELC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>22/00118/P- Broxmouth House stables- Changes to planning application 20/00554/P – changes to roofing material, extension to building and installation of an air source heat pump.</i> JB had circulated information. ▪ <i>22/00149/LBC Broxmouth House Stables – Changes to LBC application 20/00553/LBC .Related to above.</i> JB had circulated information. ▪ <i>22/00279/P- Broxmouth House, south Lodge- Formation of decking area and alteration of gates.</i> JB had circulated information. ▪ <i>22/00278/LBC- Alterations to building and erection of gates.</i> JB had circulated information. 	PS

	DCC Response – no further comment.	
7.02	<p><u>Licensing Applications for Consideration/Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Broxmouth House</i>- Licence for wedding venue – JB had circulated the application and submitted DCC views to licensing. <p>DCC Response – no adverse comment</p> ▪ <i>Station Yard</i>- Will come to Licensing Board on 31st March. A number of Kings Court residents had objected on the grounds of noise and other nuisance. The owners (Winton Brewery) have extended the beer garden onto Network Rail land without permission. <p>DCC Response – supportive of application.</p> 	
8.00	<p>Lauderdale Park – Field in Trust (HC) (Paper from HC had been circulated) HC proposed that ELC be approached to consider the promotion of Lauderdale Park as a Field in Trust to safeguard its future as a community green space.</p> <p>AS was keen to ensure that the trust deed would protect the recreational amenity but that it would also offer the flexibility to develop the café/wc/seating areas and the garden grounds in so far as this met with the recreational needs of the community as this changed over time. HC gave assurance that this should be possible.</p> <p>HC will draft a letter to ELC on behalf of DCC.</p>	HC
9.00	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
9.01	<p>Community Council Awards 2022 Notice of the upcoming Community Awards had been circulated. Nominations are sought on/before 10th April. The flyer will be re-sent and all were asked to circulate widely.</p> <p>SB suggested that the trophies be retrieved from recipients in good time and secured at Hallhill. PS/GA will deal with this.</p>	PS PS/GA
9.02	<p>Flying the Ukrainian Flag – request from a member of the Public. JB had circulated information. Steve McKinley is seeking information from ELC on any pertaining policy views of the council.</p> <p>DCC was wholeheartedly supportive of the Ukrainian people and great sadness was expressed for the terrible situation in that country. It was agreed that marking this by hanging a banner at Dunbar Town House would be appropriate, probably for a limited time of a month. SB will enquire about this.</p>	SB
9.03	Seabird Centre - letter of support requested towards funding applications for upgraded webcam including coverage of the kittiwakes at Dunbar Castle to be sent.	JB
9.04	Dunbar Day Centre – There has been a change in staff at the Day Centre and the posts for two support workers is to be advertised.	

9.05	<p>Quiet Road – PG asked for support from DCC in a quest to have the road from Thistley Cross to Pitcox declared to be a ‘Quiet Road’ to protect walkers, cyclists and riders. He declared an interest in this as his family makes use of the livery yard at Belton.</p> <p>DCC supported this initiative and PG will now approach ELC as a DCC councillor to progress this.</p>	PG
9.06	<p>Hallhill TRA – TP reported that the recent Hallhill TRA AGM had been a great success and that he had been fortunate in being able to put together a good committee for the year ahead. He thanked PS for chairing the AGM.</p>	
10.00	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
10.01	April 18 th (Easter Monday)	



COMMUNITY REPORT March 2022

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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1.00	DCC FINANCE REPORT																
1.01	<p>DCC and Sub-Committee Accounts JB had circulated the Report by e mail</p> <p>General Account The Bank Balance at the end of February was £108,220.37 The Restricted Funds held within the General Account at the end of the month were</p> <table><tr><td>Community Windpower Fund</td><td>£89,700.02</td></tr><tr><td>Covid Fund</td><td>£ 7,855.60</td></tr><tr><td>Access For All Fund</td><td>£ 759 .00</td></tr><tr><td>Local Priorities Fund</td><td>£ 8,792.49</td></tr><tr><td>War Memorial Fund</td><td>£ 000.00</td></tr><tr><td>TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS</td><td>£107,107.11</td></tr></table> <p>The Unrestricted Funds held within the General Fund at the end of the month were</p> <table><tr><td>Balance in the General Fund</td><td>£1,113.26</td></tr><tr><td>TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</td><td>£1,113.26</td></tr></table> <p>TOTAL FUNDS £108,220.37</p> <p>Civic Week Account The bank balance at the month end stood at £7,296.78 There had been no movement during the month.</p> <p>Christmas Lights Account The bank balance at the month end stood at £14,258.71 A DELAP grant of £5000 had been received in February A VAT repayment of £3,346.84 had been received in February</p> <p>Dunbar Against Litter Account The bank balance at the month end was £2,193.11</p>	Community Windpower Fund	£89,700.02	Covid Fund	£ 7,855.60	Access For All Fund	£ 759 .00	Local Priorities Fund	£ 8,792.49	War Memorial Fund	£ 000.00	TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS	£107,107.11	Balance in the General Fund	£1,113.26	TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	£1,113.26
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1.02	<p><u>Local Priorities Grant Scheme Updates</u></p> <p>The Current Year Fund £10,200 Brought Forward Fund £ 6677 Maximum Budget Total £16877</p> <p>Local Priorities Fund Available £3982 Not yet paid £4810 Per Finance Report £8792</p> <p>£The £2000 Offer to Dunbar Primary School for Pipe and Drum Tuition had been withdrawn</p> <p><u>Applications –</u> <i>Dunbar Community Petanque-</i> £560 for equipment <i>25 Pounder Gun Restoration Project-</i> £250 for materials</p> <p>DSAT for various events and bar related to European Stone Stacking Championships 2022 from 4-10 July. DTA have requested funds for summer hanging baskets for the High Street.</p>
1.03	<p><u>Dunbar Community Benefit Fund</u></p> <p>Meeting on 21st February <i>Petanque Piste –</i> DELAP had granted £5000 subject to planning permission. On 15th February Andrew Hogarth advised that Planning Permission would not be needed. Approved. <i>Dunbar Harbour Trust- Dunbar Castle.</i> Approved.</p> <p>Meeting on March 21st <i>Logan's Close (Band) –</i> Music workshops and event for those in recovery from substance abuse in conjunction with The Ridge. Anoushka Woods had made comments from the perspective of Community Windpower prior to the meeting. Dunbar Music Festival - £7500 requested to support the Festival.</p>
2.00	<p>COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT</p>
2.01	<p><u>Police Report</u> – No report received</p> <p><u>Staffing</u> -PC Anderson had returned from Annual Leave on 11/3. He had advised that he will be on secondment to recall until 2nd May. This will have an effect on his community policing duties, including his attendance at CAPP meetings.</p>
2.02	<p><u>Community and Police Partnership (CAPP) –</u> <i>Priorities from February 1st Meeting.</i> JB, TP and PG had attended <i>Speeding-</i> various problem areas were noted, Request was made for use of the pop up cops. <i>Youth Anti Social Behaviour-</i> There was much discussion about the problems.</p> <p>Abuse of Blue Badge Parking Spaces – traffic wardens will be asked to follow up</p> <p><i>Date of Next meeting</i> – 29th March 2022 (PC Anderson may not be able to attend)</p>

3.00	PLANNING MATTERS
3.01	<p><u>Particular Planning/Licensing Matters</u></p> <p>22/00259/P – Erection of House in Garden Ground of Manor House , Belhaven. JB had submitted information on this renewed application</p> <p>22/00277/P – <i>Dunbar Tennis Club</i>. Request for S42 to vary Condition 1 of 19/00141/P. This refers to a request to increase lighting levels on the courts. JB had circulated information. She had also circulated correspondence for Mr and Mrs Sadler who have had ongoing contact with the Club, Halliday Lighting Consultants and ELC regarding light pollution from the existing level of lighting on their home. JB had made a site visit on 18/3 and circulated information.</p> <p>22/00118/P- <i>Broxmouth House Stables</i> -Changes to application 20/00554/P – Changes to roofing materials, extension of building and installation of heat pump.</p> <p>22/00149/LBC-Broxmouth House Stables – related application to make changes to 20/00553/LBC</p> <p>22/00279/P – Broxmouth House, South Lodge- Formation of decking and alteration of gates.</p> <p>22/00278/LBC- Broxmouth House, South Lodge – Alterations to building and erection of gates.</p>
3.02	<p><u>Other Planning Matters to Note</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 20/00110/PM Halhill North – Approved on 7th December by a Majority Vote. Determination still to be signed off. Various S75 agreements are required. 2. Castle Bay (Cala) – Pavement still outstanding between Beveridge Row and Brewery Lane. Delayed by outcome of Hallhill North which indicates provision of a crossing at the bottom of Beveridge Row. Signage still needed at the top of Beveridge Row. Signage still needed to indicate playpark. A footpath between Bayview Circus and Beveridge Row is overgrown.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. New pumps are still to be fitted at the SUDS pond. JB had visited on 25/1.There are also safety issues at the Dempster Place Playpark. 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. JB had chased on 9/3. 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. The application was withdrawn on March 4th.
- 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.
- 15 **21/00895/P – Footpath and cycleway at Tarmac Works..** To be determined. Preliminary information about a stopping up order had been circulated by Keith Scott of ELC.
- 16 **21/00997/PM -Golf Club 78 houses, golf club house, short course and other golf infrastructure..** To be determined.
- 17 **21/00949/LBC -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.
- 18 **21/00947/P 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.
- 19 **21/01239/P – Broxmouth Park – Widening of Access, Formation of hard standing,**
- 20 **21/01289/P - DunBear Park – 2 Retail Units.** JB had circulated information and submitted a response. To be determined.
- 21 **21/01392/P – Broxmouth Park – S42 request to remove condition 2 of Application 20/00554/P which had been consented on July 28th 2021.** This relates to the operation of the wedding accommodation. JB had responded. To be determined.
- 22 **22/00021/P – Coffee Shop Class 3 (Starbucks) , Drive Thru and associated works at land East of McDonalds.** JB had submitted DCC views. To be determined.
- 23 **22/00016/ADV – Advertising Consent for Starbucks.** JB had circulated information and submitted DCC views. Approved on 14/3 subject to approval of 22/00021/P.
- 24 **22/00259/P- Erection of house in garden ground of Manor House, Belhaven.** This is an updated application. There I an updated tree report. The location of the house had been moved to protect tree root systems. JB had circulated information for comment.
- 25 **22/00277/P – Dunbar Tennis Club. Section 42 request to vary Condition 1 of 19/00141/P.** This will increase the level of floodlighting.
- 26 **22/00118/P Broxmouth House Stables – Changes to application 20/00554/P- Changes to roofing materials, extension to building and installation of an air source heat pump.**
- 27 **22/00149/LBC – Related application to make changes to 20/00553/LBC**

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3.03	<p><u>Licensing Matters to Note</u></p> <p><i>Broxmouth House</i> – application for licence for new wedding venue in the old stable block. JB had circulated information. She had advised ELC that members had no objections to the application.</p> <p><i>Station Yard</i> – Will come to Licensing Board on 31st march. A number of residents had objected to the increase in hours and extension of capacity of the beer garden on the grounds of noise and other public nuisances. This includes unauthorized use of Network Rail land for extension of the Beer Garden area which began during Covid.</p>
4.00	<p><u>DUNBAR AND EAST LINTON AREA PARTNERSHIP</u></p>
4.01	<p><u>Meeting on March 7th</u> – Cancelled for technical Issues. Voting on projects had taken place by e mail as all paperwork had been circulated to members. All applications had received partial funding of their requests from the remaining monies available at the financial year end. JB and Connected Communities Manager (CCM), Stevie McKinley are discussing the return to in person or hybrid meetings. Other Area Partnerships are considering the same.</p> <p><u>Scrutiny</u> – PG, as a DCC Rep had questioned scrutiny mechanisms in the Area Partnership. Stevie had raised this with other CCMs. Area Partnerships are part of ELCs accounting and audit mechanisms. There had been protocols in place before the re-organisation of Community Learning into Connected Communities. CCMs will be meeting to discuss scrutiny further on 29/3.</p>
4.02	<p><u>Date of Next Business Meeting</u> – 9th May 2022.</p>
5.00	<p><u>DCC INITIATIVES UPDATE</u> <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> <i>Funding</i> The Lapland Challenge had concluded</p>
5.02	<p><u>Dunbar Civic Week</u> Many contacts are being made with groups around the town to take part with events during the week as well as the Fun day proposed for the Bleachingfield on June 11th.</p>
5.03	<p><u>Dunbar Against Litter</u> – The Team had continued to work hard. .</p>
5.04	<p><u>Heritage Committee</u> – Meeting date to be arranged</p>
5.05	<p><u>Community Resilience</u></p> <p><u>Spaces for People</u>. The Report had been approved by Cabinet on 8th March. Members noted that the initiative had been a success. There was some discussion about the unavailability of e bikes to develop e bike hubs due to a worldwide shortage of bikes.</p> <p><u>Twenty Miles Per Hour</u> – The recommendations had been approved by Cabinet on 8th March as part of an updated ELC Speed Limit Policy. The Traffic Regulation Orders will now be publicly advertised. The public will have opportunity to object. Alan Stubbs, Transportation Officer, had advised that, if required to assist in enforcement of the limits, communities would be able to use Area Partnership roads budgets to purchase infrastructure like Speed Reactive Signs. Cllr McMillan noted the active involvement of community police officers in his</p>

	<p>ward (Haddington and Lammermuir) in enforcement of speed limits with regular speed checks.</p> <p>JB had circulated the recording of the meeting which she had observed online.</p> <p>Some members of the community had expressed concerns about the retention of 20 mph on arterial routes including that through Belhaven. Many noted the lack of enforcement by Police.</p> <p><u>Remembering Together – Co- Creating Covid Community Memorials Meeting on March 9th</u></p> <p>JB had attended</p> <p>This is part of a Scotland wide initiative for communities to mark the impact of Covid. The initiative will commission artists in the 32 authorities to co-create local art. The initiatives is being delivered by Greenspace Scotland by request of the Scottish Government.</p> <p>The project is in 2 phases</p> <p>Phase 1 gives £15K commission for artists to work with local communities to shape ideas for creative outcomes in their locality.</p> <p>Phase 2 gives £100K per authority to deliver a project.</p> <p>This meeting was to consider applications from artists to deliver phase 1 and shortlist a number for interview and further presentation of their ideas.</p> <p>It was agreed to invite 3/9 applicants to interview. The date for this will be set subject to their availability.</p> <p>Phase 1 will run from April to September 2022.</p> <p>Applications for Phase 2 will open on the 17th October.</p>
5.06	<p><u>Platinum Jubilee</u></p> <p><u>Queens Green Canopy</u> JB had continued to follow up initiatives and promote the project. She had met with Rena Kelly of Rotary re their proposals. She is in contact with Mike Foy, ELC Tree Officer, and the East Lothian Lieutenancy team.</p> <p><u>Activities –</u> PS and SB had continued to pull together a number of individuals and groups to take part. JB had spoken with Rena Kelly of Rotary regarding some of their proposals and had given contact details for Rotary to gain further advice.</p>
6.00	DCC/ELC/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES
6.01	<p><u>Dunbar High Street</u></p> <p><u>Dunbar High Street and Friends</u> – JB continues to post on the Facebook page</p> <p><u>SOLE-</u> PS,AS (part), JB had met on February 22nd with Cllr McMillan and Jamie Baker of Economic Development along with Philip Mellor and Jo Waddell of the DTA. They expressed concerns about the proposed roll out of the initiative despite the failure of the Dunbar pilot. They expressed concerns that the UK Government funding for the roll out was based on an application that community partners had not seen. An FOI request had been submitted to have access to it. Concerns were expressed about the long term sustainability of SOLE given that after the initial 6 months with SOLE contracted officers there was an expectation that volunteers would manage the site. Concerns were expressed about longer time costs once the 3 year licence period was up. AS raised concerns about the STA’s business planning. There were concerns about the quality of the site and that following the September meeting there had been no come back from ELC or Scottish Tech Army until the funding was approved for the roll out.</p> <p>It was noted that the DTA had been working on their own rebranding and that they would prefer to move on with that to promote Dunbar rather than be a sub page of a SOLE site. The site was shown. Cllr McMillan noted that should Dunbar decide not to take part in SOLE it may be possible to give some funding towards the town site.</p> <p>It was agreed that SOLE would not be dismissed out of hand. Jamie Baker noted that the new site and app were still in preparation. It was agreed that a meeting would be arranged for a demonstration of the site and discussion with the STA before the end of March and the</p>

	<p>election purdah period. It was agreed that reps from other towns would also be invited. It had been noted that North Berwick and Haddington also had reservations about SOLE.</p> <p>Following the meeting Philip Mellor had advised Cllr Paul McLennan MSP that Jamie Baker was organising a meeting and that the meeting for community groups in the 5 towns involved in the roll out being planned by him would not be needed.</p> <p>On 15/3 Philip Mellor of DTA had circulated an e mail from Jamie Baker saying that he had copied Kirsty of STA into minutes of the meeting in order for her to liaise directly with DTA and Dunbar groups regarding a demonstration of how the new SOLE website and app might link to the new DTA marketing. Response had gone back to ELC to note that this was not what Dunbar groups wished and that the DTA website work will continue. There was no wish to continue with SOLE locally. On 21/3 Cllr McMillan had noted a continued interest in partnership working with Dunbar and other towns.</p> <p>Marketing- The DTA had continued to develop their website and logo. It will be launched at their AGM on 29th March.</p> <p>CARS- Lucy Schofield, an ELC Officer, has been seconded to CARS and she will be based in the new Ridge office in the former value shop along with a Grants Officer who is to be appointed in May.</p>
6.02	<p>Dunbar East Beach/Promenade Project – Sand has been returning to the beach. A community beach clean was held on 19th March. Unfortunately, the beach clean team that regularly clean the beach had reported considerable plastic waste, some of which may be related to building site debris. PS(Chair of Dunbar Shore and harbour Neighbourhood Group) had contacted the 3 ELC Councillors to ask for action to be taken on building site management/developers. Paul McLennan had asked his PA Fiona Elliott to chase this up. ELC Countryside Rangers are looking for the source of the waste.</p>
6.03	<p>Belhaven Bay/Belhaven Village issues John Muir Country Park Advisory Group- Neil Clark had called a meeting for 22nd March. KS will represent DCC.SB will attend as President of the East Lothian Antiquarian and Field Naturalist Society. The meeting will consider the Group's remit and membership. JB will attend as cover for West Barns CC..</p> <p>Access for All- Following the relaunch of John Muir Country Park Advisory Group KS will be the champion for this initiative.</p> <p>Belhaven Bay Bridge – Concerns continue about the extension. It is being monitored by ELC.</p> <p>Sea for Change Beach Clean 19th March – JB had taken part</p> <p><u>Belhaven Residents Group</u> - There had been no further meeting</p>
6.04	<p>Changing Places Changing Room – Dunbar Leisure Pool No further information</p>
6.05	<p>A1 Upgrade – No further information. The meeting to look at junctions etc proposed at the Autumn A1 Action Group meeting had not been arranged prior to Council Election purdah.</p> <p>Litter – Continues to be an eyesore . Much seems to be building site debris. JB continues to chase Phil Hinchliff at Transport Scotland, ELC and BEAR for clear up to be arranged. Phil Hinchliff advised JB on 21/3 that he is pursuing Tommy Deans at Bear for clean up to take place, particularly of builders waste.</p> <p>Roadworks- The A1 northbound carriageway was closed overnight from 2nd to 11th March between the cement works junction and Haddington for repairs with an extensive diversion through the town.</p> <p>Spott to Dunbar Project</p>

	<p>JB had attended the consultation at Bleachingfield on February 26th. There had also been a session at Spott Village Hall.</p> <p>The group will need to consider how to proceed. Jill Sandford has replaced Anne Lyall as Chair of Spott Village Association. There are some challenges on the route from Spott to the A1 due to the terrain. There are also issues with landowners not wishing to give access to routes over their land.</p> <p>Routes at the Dunbar end may be more feasible but there are still some challenges including the continued flooding at the Eweford underpass, a landowner blocking access to the Core Path at Eweford and potential developments in the Hallhill area.</p> <p>Further discussion on feasibility will take place.</p>
7.00	HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE
7.01	<p>Health and Well Being Sub Group- Meeting on February 28th JB and GW had attended. JB had circulated minutes.</p> <p>Belhaven Hospital- JB had circulated the ELHSCP Bulletin No 2. As the League of Friends had folded JB had invited Belhaven Unit Manager Christine Johnstone to join the Group so that the Hospital had representation in discussions.</p> <p>There will be limited progress on proposals until after the ELC Elections as membership of the IJB, Change Board and Working Groups will change.</p> <p>TP had submitted an application to the Analytical Exchange Programme for access to statistical/analytical support. This would help in information gathering.</p> <p>In the meantime, Edington Hospital remains closed.</p> <p>Meeting Centres for People with Dementia- Sue Northrop had updated on discussions about a meeting Centre for Dunbar. It was agreed to set up an initiation group to move ideas forward.</p> <p>Services for Older People</p> <p><i>Scottish Rural Parliament/Community Enterprise</i> – are conducting a survey on service provision in East Lothian.</p> <p><i>Engage- Planning for an Ageing Population.</i> This survey is intended to find out how people want to be engaged with in the consultation on services for older people. The draft survey and branding had been drawn together by Jane Ogden- Smith of ELHSCP and Martin Hensman of Hub South East. A pilot version had been sent to East Lothian Day Centres for trialling. Those present noted some concerns, particularly about the branding. The survey will be tweaked in response to feedback. It would be hoped to circulate it by the end of March. Initially the survey will be for older people before widening to others.</p> <p><i>Friendly Food Network-</i> JB had given information on its discussions on various aspects of nutritional health and wellbeing . She had circulated the Friendly Food Charter.</p> <p><i>The Ridge Update.</i> Maggie McCombe updated. They had applied to the Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund administered by VCEL Applicants had been told that it had been oversubscribed. Decisions were still awaited.</p> <p>Maggie advised that staff would be moving to an office base in the former Value Shop. The CARS Team would share the space with them</p> <p>Ukrainian Refugee Crisis- There was a discussion about the situation. Further discussions will be needed by ELC on any response</p> <p>Date of Next Meeting – 4th April 2022</p> <p>Joint Meeting of Health and Wellbeing Group Chairs JB and GW had attended. Also present were reps from North Berwick Coastal, Fa’side, and Musselburgh Health and Wellbeing Groups. The meeting was chaired by Hilary Smith, Chair of North Berwick Coastal Area partnership and the North Berwick Coastal Health and Wellbeing Association.</p> <p><i>Wellbeing Group/ELHSCP Reference Group.</i> TP had suggested this as a way to foster better co-production on Health Matters. Although, ELHSCP staff attend the local Group meetings their involvement has seemed to keep a distance from the information and decision making process. It was felt ELHSCP might make better use of the local knowledge invested in group members. Hilary had written to Laura Kerr at ELHSCP who was agreeable. It was thought that</p>

the meetings might consider different themes. Thus people need only attend meetings on themes in which they had an interest. Hilary agreed to contact Laura Kerr to set up a meeting. It was agreed that the Chair role may rotate.

Analytical Exchange – TP had made an application to seek funding for statistical support to try to gain better information on statistics e.g. for dementia. This would help build on the information that he had gathered for Great Expectations. Initially the request would focus on Dunbar & East Linton and North Berwick Coastal Wards. Concern was shared about the limited information available.

Services for Older People/Hospital and Care Home provision. JB noted the pilot survey being distributed to day centre users as a survey on how people wished to be engaged with. She agreed to share this with the other Groups who had not been aware of it. JB noted that there would be little further progress on the matter until after the election as IJB members nominated by ELC would change. GW noted the importance of getting the views of people in the rural areas which, so often, had limited access to services.

Meeting Centres. Janice from Musselburgh noted that they had premises but the applicant to provide the service had not met the criteria. They will need to advertise again. JB updated on Dunbar discussions.

Information- It was agreed that it would be useful to share information gathered between groups on events and service updates. It would also be useful to be able to share information on activities for communities.

Systems. The Groups have different ways of managing money, North Berwick have historically had their own Bank Account. Fa'side have £10,000 from the Area Partnership General Budget to spend on Health and Wellbeing projects but they were not yet sure what to spend it on. There was a discussion about scrutiny of Area Partnership applications and the application forms. JB noted that CCMs were also discussing scrutiny and systems.

Next Meeting- TBA

Dunbar Day Centre

Trustees Meeting on 2nd March – JB,SB and GW had attended

The building based service continues to be 4 days a week with outreach only one day.

Drop in continues one day a week.

There have been a few new volunteers and more would be welcome.

Erica, the Deputy Manager, will be going on maternity leave. It was agreed to advertise a post for maternity cover.

There was a long discussion about transport costs. The current taxi arrangement costs £175 a day. Unfortunately, buying a centre bus would not be an easy alternative as there is no place to garage it and driver arrangements would be required. The issue needs to be kept under review.

Discussions are ongoing about kitchen refurbishment. An application has been made to DELAP and it was to be discussed at the meeting on March 7th. It would be hoped to make use of the kitchen for preparing community lunches etc.

Deputy Manager, Maria has been attending meetings to discuss a meeting centre facility in Dunbar and District.

There was discussion about plans for the Platinum Jubilee. It is hoped to have a garden party. The Queens Green Canopy initiative was discussed. However, the garden is too small.

Date of Next Meeting – April 27th

Following the meeting one new staff member, who had been fulfilling a Probationary period had handed in her notice. This part time post is now being advertised along with the Deputy Manager part time post maternity leave post. The Outreach Service Manager will also be leaving to take up a post with ELC.

Unfortunately, the DELAP meeting had to be cancelled due to technical problems. However, partial funding of the request had been approved by e mail of DELAP members.

	Engage- Planning for an Older Population- This Survey had gone live on 15/3. JB had circulated information to members and published information on social media.
8.00	ROADS, REPAIRS AND INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE
8.01	<p>Roads, Pavements and Pathways</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. The A1 diversion had caused new damage which had been reported.</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 18th. 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> – Now in place near the business centre.</p> <p><i>Dangerous paving with large hole</i> near Royal McIntosh Hotel- reported 28/1.</p>
8.02	<p>Signage</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>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> <p><i>Signage to Hallhill Centre</i>- There have been issues with signage to the centre from both the A1 and Edinburgh Road. Visitors are following SATNAV and Googlemaps and using Beveridge Row/Hospital Road and the Concrete Road where there is no signage. JB had spoken to Morag Harrow. There had been safety issues for pedestrians and drivers when both Rugby and Football fixtures had taken place on 5th March and traffic had become congested on Hospital Road. JB had reported to ELC and the Dunbar Community Development and Heritage Trust (DCDHT) Trustees for attention. HC had asked Cllr Hampshire as Chair of DCDHT to look into better information on the Hallhill Centre website.</p>
8.03	<p>Structures</p> <p><i>Queens Road Wall (Four Seasons).</i> Still to be repaired. Further large masonry has fallen from the wall w/c 7/3. JB has again contacted ELC to ask them to request Four Seasons to make repairs. Frank Fairgrieve of Building Standards had inspected on 14/3. Safety barriers were erected along stretches of the wall on 14/3.</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>
8.04	<p>Drainage</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 5/2/22.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. Tom Reid has asked Alex Coull (9drainage) to support Enforcement Officer, Aelia Smith in progressing this.</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.JB trying to arrange a meeting with ELC/Scottish Water. In the meantime new pumps are still to be fitted at the SUDS and the drains continue to block. Toilets are backing up in Comrie Avenue. Residents are moving into Joyness.</p> <p>Colin Clarke of Environmental Health had chased up with Robertsons and Scottish Water to seek an update on 11/3. Alex Coull (Drainage) had advised that Avant should also be contacted. He had noted some blockage of the pumping system by baby wipes etc when he had visited in January. Michaela Sullivan advised on 11/3 that the matter had been escalated to the Managing Director of Robertson Homes. He had responded that the issue was related to people flushing baby wipes which blocked the pumps. He said that the pump was working OK and upgraded pumps will be fitted in April. JB had responded that the issues had been ongoing for a long time , that the area affected has expanded to much of the East of the town and that residents still wish a meeting. DAMM had cleared the drains on 14/3. On 15/3 a Scottish water operative had visited to investigate odour complaints. He had said that the drains were clear. Residents had raised further concerns with Scottish Water that the drains were clear because DAMM had visited the day before. However, Scottish water advised them that the issue was for resolution by Robertsons as the system was not adopted by Scottish Water.</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>

	<p><i>Drainage issues from new DELAP path beside Winterfield Golf Course – This seems to have been ongoing for a long time with an e mail trail to Transportation Officers. JB has discussed with CCM, Stevie McKinley on 16/3. They will meet with Neil Paterson from the Golf Club Committee.</i></p>
8.05	<p>Vegetation <i>Condition of Woodland between James Court and Spott Road Wall. Tree Officer is still to do a tree health survey.</i> <i>Dead Planting/Landscaping/Playpark in poor condition at Yosemite Park Playpark. Planning Enforcement involved. Some work has been done.</i> <i>Overgrown trees en route from Torry Wynd to DPS. Responsibility of Taylor Wimpey. Passed to them.</i> <i>Overgrown path between Cala and Beveridge Row. Responsibility of Cala. Passed to them and Planning.</i> <i>Overgrown path at South Street – now impassable and undermining the structure of a nearby wall. Passed to Amenities September 2021.</i></p>
8.06	<p>Coastal <i>Wire meshing over the stones at Bridge to Nowhere is breaking up and becoming dangerous. A stretch had been repaired in January but further work is still needed..</i> <i>Damaged electrical box near Whitesands toilets. Still to be repaired. Seems to be safe but not a priority repair during Covid.</i> <i>Steep Slope to beach view benches at Lamer Street. Would benefit from a handrail. Eamonn John is exploring this.</i> <i>Bridge to Nowhere- 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.</i> <i>Information Boards at The Glebe- have been removed. JB chasing with ELC..</i></p>
8.07	<p>Lighting/Electrical <i>Lighting within the Pool area –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. On 14/3 Paul lanetta advised that it was hoped that the fittings will arrive in April. They will then be fitted asp.</i> <i>High Street Lighting Complaints from the public about the lack of lighting continue. Many lights have been broken for a number of years. The Heritage lamps need replacement as parts can no longer be sourced. Following further contact from Knox Newsagent on 10/3 about darkness around the shop for staff starting work JB had had communication with Tom Reid, Head of Infrastructure. On 11/3 he had instructed urgent repair work to make safe damaged lamps and lumieres. He advised that an order had been made for temporary fixings. Officers were to make a full inspection on 14 and 15/3 to draw together a business case for a longer term solution asp.</i> <i>Damaged Electrical Box at Ashfield Place. Glen Kane has advised that all 610 boxes in East Lothian are to be repainted and repaired as required by a Contractor.</i> <i>Lighting failure at Spott Road- lights are out on both sides of the road. JB had passed to ELC 15/3</i></p>
8.08	<p>Litter/Graffiti/Vandalism/Abandoned vehicles <i>Graffiti -on Bridge Near Beltonford, Signage to Belhaven from Eweford Road and other locations. Still to be cleaned off. Keith Scott aware</i> <i>Vandalism – Youth ASB incidents had continued. The Police and ELC had continued to work closely together.</i></p>

	<p><i>Building site debris-</i> There are major issues of debris blowing off sites. Environmental Health have been involved at Newtonlees regarding debris from the Joyness development. Plastic waste at East Beach may be related to building site debris.</p> <p><i>Abandoned Vehicles-</i> Members of the Public had raised concerns about a van parked at Lauderdale Park Car park since September 2021 in an unroadworthy state. They had contacted ELC and Police without success. JB had contacted the Police who felt it was not causing an obstruction. Craig Smith of Environmental Health had advised that it could not be removed until its MOT expires in April. JB had fed back to residents. A further vehicle had been reported in Pine Street and JB had passed on. The vehicle belongs to a Council Tenant who has considerable junk in their garden ground. Craig Smith of Environmental Health served a 7 day Notice on the vehicle on 14/3. If the vehicle is not removed from the road within 7 days it will be removed by ELC.</p> <p><i>DunBear –</i> Solar panels at the park are to be replaced thanks to the generosity of a supplier. This will allow the bear to be lit again.</p>
8.09	<p>Transport</p> <p><u>Buses</u></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>Services – Buses had been diverted on 8/3 due to the closure of the road at West Barns following the discovery of wartime grenades in the garden shed of a property. There had been poor public information that West Barns, Belhaven and the town centre were not being served as buses were using the A1 to get to ASDA.</p> <p>Bus Forum Meeting – February 28th JB had attended</p> <p><i>City Deal/Bus Service Improvement Partnership(BSIP)-</i> Peter Forsyth had updated on these strategic matters. The BSIS will make funding available for infrastructure projects. The Regional Bus Partnership was developing a bid.</p> <p><i>Free Travel for Under 22s.</i> Take up of this scheme which had commenced in January had been disappointing . Nationally, only 21.9% of those eligible had received a card. There was discussion about the bureaucracy of the application process, particularly for those without photo ID. It was also noted that some people may not apply in some rural areas due to the lack of public transport. Feedback had been given to the Scottish Government on improvements that could be made to the process.</p> <p><i>Operator Updates -</i>Most operators were finding a slow pick up in pre Covid passengers numbers.</p> <p><i>Diversions-</i> JB noted issues in Dunbar and West Barns during the closure of Dunbar High Street following Storm Arwen. The 253 and X7 had both gone straight to ASDA via the A1 leaving passengers stranded. This compounded the cancellation of trains. Information had been poor. JB noted the normal diversion route for High Street closures which Eve’s had used. The East Coast rep said he had not been aware of this route. He said they would try to improve on passenger information in the future. Borders Buses were not present.</p> <p><i>Bus provision to new housing developments-</i> This continues to be an issue across the county. It was noted that although the first houses were being built at Blindwells new town. there was a lack of turning space for buses. Thus a service could not operate to the development for some time. At Hallhill, there will be issues with bus service</p>

provision until the turning circle is completed as part of the Hallhill North development.

Youth Anti Social Behaviour – Gary Scougall of Eve’s noted issues of large groups gathering on buses to go to Lochend Woods. There were concerns for the behaviour of some of the youths towards passengers and drivers. Other operators had experienced problems too. It was agreed that the Police would be invited to a Future meeting.

Spaces for People/20 mph

These initiatives were to go to Cabinet for approval on March 8th. Gary Scougall said that since the removal of the bollards near Dunbar Primary School it had been easier for him to do school transport drop off and pick up.

Some concerns were expressed about 20 mph on arterial routes through towns.

Date of Next Meeting – 3rd October 2022.

.Trains

Services

Ticket Office hours at Dunbar will be reduced following a Scotrail consultation. However, staff will still be available to assist the public in other ways at the station with the previous availability.

Dunbar Station- Network Rail had felled further trees adjacent to the property of a landowner near the new platform. Some will be replaced. Local residents had been informed.

Community Rail Partnership

Meeting with Philip Immirzi and Denise Havard of Community Rail Network (CRN) – February 21st. JB had attended

Future of Community Rail Partnerships in Scotland – The future relationship between the new Operator of Last Resort (Scotrail Trains Ltd) and CRPs remains unclear. This includes future funding mechanisms. Scottish CRP Chairs had written a joint letter of concern to the Transport Minister. The new operator commences service on 1st April.

Projects- Work on the Prestonpans murals is continuing.

Discussions are still ongoing about the colour of holders for historic murals to be based at stations.

There was further discussion about possible projects related to active travel and encouraging travel by rail. Denise and Philip were to be meeting Jo Waddell and Philip Mellor of DTA regarding some ideas to link rail travel with long distance paths e.g. the John Muir way. JB also noted possible connections to the John Muir Birthplace. Harry spoke of a possible rail outing for older people for afternoon tea in Edinburgh. Harry is working on preparation of paper timetables for distribution as Scotrail have ceased to produce them and have taken down poster in stations during the pandemic. Denise was not certain if her funding through Sustrans Paths for All would be continued from April although CRPs and others had written in support of her continuation.

Bookshelf at North Berwick Station- Scotrail had removed the CRP provided community bookcase as a fire hazard. This was being taken up by Harry with Scotrail. JB noted that Dunbar Station had a community bookshelf.

Safety/ASB on trains- If incidents occur on a train travellers can use text 61016 to report. The text goes directly to the British Transport Police who can intervene. Harry Barker was aware of its positive use.

Future meeting – Denise and CRN were arranging a face to face gathering for all Scottish CRPs. This would probably be held in Glasgow before the end of March.

	<p>Meeting with Alex Bray (Cross Country) and Denise Havard (CRN) – March 10th JB had attended</p> <p><i>Future of CRPs</i> – This remains uncertain as the transfer to Scotrail Trains on April 1st approaches. It is likely that they will need to bid for monies project by Project rather than get a grant as at present. It is also uncertain if they will need to pay any money still held from previous Abbellio/Scotrail funding. Both Scottish CRP Chairs and CRN had written to the new Scottish Transport Minister with concerns. The CRP Chairs had requested a meeting with the Minister.</p> <p><i>Cross County Funding</i> Alex noted that the new Core funding will be payable in April. Projects- There was an update on the work of Philip Immirzzi as sessional Project Worker. His input was thought valuable and Alex asked for an article for Cross County Communications. There was discussion about possible Dunbar projects linked to DTA. Harry spoke of the idea to produce printed timetables but noted that Scotrail were not willing to share their information for use in it. Harry spoke of the progress on the <i>Prestonpans Station Murals</i>. It was hoped to submit this for a CRN Award.</p> <p><i>Cross Country Community Conference</i>. This will be on March 24th. JB will attend.</p> <p><i>CRN Meeting</i> – This will be in Glasgow on March 28th. JB hopes to attend.</p> <p><i>Next Meeting</i>- April 13th</p> <p>.</p> <p>Parking</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>Postal Services</p> <p>Box Still required at Comrie Avenue. It is on order from Royal Mail. Installation being chased by JB.</p>
8.11	<p>Other</p>
	<p><i>Maharajah Duleep Singh – Dunbar connections</i> – The headstone order was completed with Robertson Memorials and initial payment made on 14th February. The estimated delivery time is 28 weeks. JB had updated Peter Bance, Gordon Whitelaw and others.</p> <p><i>Issues at New Robertson site</i> – 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. Complaints have also been made about the level of debris e.g. plastic sheeting which blows across the area of windy days.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>JB continues to support Newtonlees residents.</p> <p><i>Parking in Yosemite Park</i>. Safety measures still required. Responsibility of Persimmon. Enforcement of parking safety is dependent on roads adoption.</p> <p><i>Built Environment at Yosemite Park</i>- Various issues being taken up by ELC Housing Officer/Taylor Wimpey. JB to meet with ELC Housing Officer when conditions allow.</p>

	<p>Built environment at Castle Rock Properties in Brodie Road. Many issues for tenants. Housing Officer, Nikki Hogg, still to contact JB.</p> <p>25 Pounder Gun – An application had been made by a group headed by George Robertson to fund materials so that work may be completed by the ELC Community Service team. (See Treasurer Report)</p> <p>Lauderdale Park</p> <p><i>Gates-</i> preparation of the new gates had continued.</p> <p><i>Petanque Piste-</i> Amenities had continued work on it. Dunbar Twinning Association hope to have a tournament in the summer. A Dunbar Petanque club is being established.</p> <p>The Space Multi Use /Skatepark/Pump Track facilities/Youth Hub. Further information awaited on the public consultation by The Space/Skatepark Upgrade Group. The Space facility at DunBear Park has wide public support. However, 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. The proposed Dunbar Community Development and Heritage Trust (DCDHT) Youth Hub at the woodland area has increased concerns, particularly regarding the history of flooding, the degree of construction works required to mitigate drainage issues, damage to habitat and the history of Youth ASB in the woodland. JB is trying to source a report written by Steve Taylor of Ideas Ltd for the developer at the Hallhill North planning stage which indicated that the area now proposed for pitches should be retained as open space to support wildlife habitat.</p> <p>.Kingsmeadow Playparks- ELC have given a 60% grant for purchase of 2 of the playparks (one in Wilson Place and one in Wilson Road) from the owner who had bought in error from Future Property Auctions. The purchase will be made.</p> <p>Recycling – There had been some sporadic issues of recycling not being picked up. JB had liaised with ELC and the Contractor.</p>
9.00	MEETINGS ATTENDED
9.01	<p>Sustaining Dunbar Development Day and Trustee Meeting – 6th March JB had attended</p> <p><i>New Trustee-</i> Simon Wassell from Stenton had joined the Board. He works for SUSTRANS. Further trustees would still be welcome.</p> <p><i>Belhaven Community Garden(BCG)</i> The group had been delighted to have been awarded a Community Council Certificate. Sadly, the Community Gardener had had to resign due to family matters .The post would be advertised. There were ongoing initiatives with the school, brewery, GP Linkworkers and others that would be continuing. The garden is seen not just as a resource for the hospital and a place for people to enjoy growing. It is also an important therapeutic space. Naomi Barnes will oversee the project until a new gardener is in post.</p> <p><i>Local Good Food Alliance</i> – New funding has enabled Naomi to be engaged again. JB noted the East Lothian Friendly Food Network and the Good Food Charter.</p> <p><i>Investing in Communities Funding</i> – Some members had been drawing up a joint bid with other community organisations including The Ridge and Dunbar Community Woodland Group. The bid will need to be submitted shortly.</p> <p><i>Belhaven Hospital-</i> JB updated on discussions. There were concerns about the future of the site and how developments may impact on local access to health services but also the greenspace and community benefits to health and wellbeing of the community garden. It was felt Sustaining Dunbar might take a role in community engagement for the local area. This will be considered further.</p> <p><i>Youth Hub at Lochend Woods-</i> JB noted proposals outlined by Cllr Hampshire for this DCDHT facility in the wet area of the woodand. More information would be sought and once any plans appeared there could be a decision as to whether to respond as an organisation or individuals.</p>

	<i>Next Meeting – To be arranged</i>
9.02	<p>Food Matters</p> <p><i>Friendly Food Network Meeting on March 3rd</i> JB had attended</p> <p><i>Good Food Charter</i> – This had been submitted to ELC for consideration and adoption. This will be delayed until after the election. Convenor Ruth Davie had met with the QMU Food Innovation Hub and they will link to the Food Network.</p> <p><i>Breakfast Provision in Schools</i>- There was further discussion</p> <p><i>Foodbank Use</i>- East Lothian Foodbank noted the increasing use of their services as the Cost of Living Crisis intensifies. Other food provision outlets report increases too. There is also an increase in people in fuel poverty as costs increase.</p> <p><i>Community Carrot- Development Worker</i>, Hannah Lavery spoke of the various food initiatives e.g. community meals, Sunny Soups, intergenerational cooking classes.</p> <p><i>Natasha's Law (Labelling on Food Allergens)</i> – There was a discussion about the impact of the new legislation on smaller food providers like the Community Carrot e.g. having to label all ingredients on Sunny Soup cartons. JB noted that the Community Bakery had also faced this issue. Ruth agreed to feed back the issues to Policy Officer and others at ELC.</p> <p><i>Community Carrot AGM – March 6th</i> – JB had attended</p> <p>This was a report only meeting .Not all decisions could be made as the meeting was not quorate. The AGM was to reconvene on March 13th to make decisions including changing the quorum requirement in the Constitution.</p> <p><i>Business Update</i> – The Committee and Managers spoke of the challenges during Covid. The business had not closed but footfall had reduced and for a while trade had been dependent on deliveries rather than people coming to buy in the shop.</p> <p>Shopify had been introduced as an improved stock management system. This had been funded by Adapt and Thrive monies.</p> <p>An electric van had been obtained for deliveries.</p> <p><i>Development Manager</i>- Hannah Lavery spoke of her various food initiatives in the community including Sunny Soups, Community Meals and a cooking skills classes for a variety of groups e.g. children, people with disabilities. Various organisations e.g. ASDA, Co-op and The Ridge give produce for community food initiatives.</p> <p><i>Trustees</i> Further Trustees would be welcome. Erica Wimbush from Tynninghame had come forward. In particular, a new Treasurer is needed.</p>
9.03	<p><u>John Muir Birthplace Trust Trustees Meeting – February 21st. JB had attended.</u></p> <p><i>Staffing</i> – 2 new casual Museum Assistants had commenced work in January. Tracey Robertson was leaving on 25th February for a post at Lauriston Castle.</p> <p>Various other posts were being advertised in the Museums Service.</p> <p><i>Exhibitions</i> – Manager Jo Moulin updated on planned visiting exhibitions. There was discussion of updates needed to the permanent displays.</p> <p><i>Maintenance</i> – Various matters need attention. Information is still needed on access to the CARS Scheme which may enable some repairs e.g. to windows.</p> <p><i>Youth Anti Social behaviour</i> – There had been an incident on 16th January. Involving the Police and Community Warden.</p> <p><i>SOLE</i>- JB gave an update. The Birthplace cannot use the platform for sales due to Museum Service protocols. Significant improvement would be needed to the platform for the Birthplace to engage with it.</p> <p><i>DTA Branding</i> – Jo was to meet with Jo Waddell of DTA. She showed members the mock ups which were felt to be effective.</p> <p><i>John Muir Trust Strategic Plan 2022-26</i> – A draft had been circulated for comment. Members discussed and feedback was to be given. It was felt that there could be a stronger steer on protection of urban greenspaces, woodlands etc at risk of development.</p> <p><i>Community Rail Partnership</i>- JB updated on possible options for co-working on projects e.g. funding.</p>

	<p><i>John Muir Way Partnership Group- Green Action Trust have been the lead in this body which oversees the long distance route. They propose to withdraw at the end of March 2022. This has implications for the long term future of the John Muir Way and its maintenance. Members expressed concern. Further information is required.</i></p> <p><i>Next Meeting – To be arranged</i></p>
9.04	<p><u>SESCOT Radio AGM- AGM/Meeting – March 3rd</u>. JB had attended</p> <p>The Station has moved to a new studio behind Hallhill Healthy Living Centre. This has seen some snags to be sorted with the broadcasting system. Signage is still required.</p> <p><i>Trustees- Andy Morris continues as Chair with JB as Secretary. Janette Marshall has taken over as Treasurer. Other Trustees are Murray Mackay and Babs Templeton.</i></p> <p><i>Fundraising – Opportunities need to be explored. Advertisers from the local community are sought.</i></p> <p><i>Volunteers – Further volunteers would be welcome as show presenters and for behind the scenes work.</i></p> <p><i>Outdoor Broadcasts- Opportunities were discussed e.g. East Linton Gala and Dunbar Civic Week.</i></p> <p><i>Next Meeting - TBA</i></p>
9.05	<u>Hallhill TRA – AGM- 17th March- Notes to Follow</u>
9.06	<u>Torness community Liaison meeting - AS had attended</u>
10.00	CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED
10.01	<p>Scottish Communities Alliance – Local People Leading Newsletters</p> <p>EL Community Councils – Induction events</p> <p>ELC- 2022 Census Information</p> <p>Alex Mathias – Concerns about safety at Robertson Homes Playpark JB had responded</p> <p>EL Friendly Food Network- Newsletter</p> <p>Various- Concerns about SOLE</p> <p>Jo Waddell- New DTA website/branding</p> <p>Neil Clarke ELC- Meeting of JMCP Advisory Group – PS had responded. KS will attend for DCC</p> <p>Via Facebook- Dayton Dove – Concerns about operation of Halhill Sports Centre. JB had responded.</p> <p>Jo Demer- Dunbar Guides – query about basketball court provision/funding. JB had responded</p> <p>Via Facebook- Rob McDougall per West Barns Village Hall- Query about availability of Community public address system JB had responded</p> <p>Lesley Smith, ELC- Covid Memorial Artwork</p> <p>Via Facebook- Brian Woodburn – lack of lighting at railway tunnel between Robertson Homes and ASDA. JB had responded</p> <p>Via Facebook- Rob McDougall- broken up pavement at Belhaven High Street near Belhaven Hill School. JB had responded</p> <p>Cllr Paul McLennan MSP- Sole</p> <p>Various – Permanently parked van at Lauderdale Park. JB had responded</p> <p>Various – concerns about proposed youth and sports facilities in Lochend Woods – JB had responded</p> <p>Via Facebook- Paul Stewart- Wingate Crescent pot holes. JB had responded.</p> <p>ELC- Cabinet reports on Spaces for People and 20 mph</p> <p>Via Facebook- Various – Concerns about road safety on Beveridge Row/Cement Road/Hospital Road and need for signage to Halhill. JB had responded.</p> <p>Via Facebook -Megan Black- Concerns about safety at Dempster Place Playpark- JB had responded</p> <p>Sarah Foster, Go Fibre- Seeking to present to DCC on the benefits of their proposals to build a fibre broadband network. This will involve some cable laying and use of existing infrastructure. JB had responded.</p> <p>Via Facebook -Kelly Weir- Car/Garden maintenance issues in Pine Street. JB had responded.</p>

Scottish Water- Nature Calls- public awareness campaign on what not to flush down the toilet

Via Facebook- various – Concerns about the Cabinet adoption of Spaces for People and 20 mph proposals.

Charlotte Bray, Scottish Seabird Centre- Request for letter of support for funding application to enable renewal of webcams including at the Dunbar Castle Kittiwake Colony. JB had responded.

Connie Craig – Asking if Dunbar CC intend to fly a Ukrainian flag as in North Berwick .JB hadresponde

Parvine Jazayeri- Ageing Well Activity List

Robert Leslie – Overgrown vegetation between Countess Road and The Retreat JB had responded

Via Facebook- Lisa Gilmour- Failed High Street lighting issues. JB had responded.

PC Anderson – Police **staffing- he has been seconded to Response until 2nd May**

Gary Donlin, SSE Renewables – Proposals for publication of Environmental Impact Assessment for Berwick Bank

Neil Paterson, Winterfield Golf Course Committee- Concerns about longstanding drainage issues from new path beside Winterfield Golf Course. JB had responded.

Via Facebook – Various – Further masonry falls from Four Seasons Wall. JB had responded.

Alex Orr- Replacement of Solar Panels at DunBear Park

Community Councils- Census 2022 publicity

Mr and Mrs Sadler- Concerns about Planning application by Dunbar Tennis Club to increase lighting levels at the courts/ongoing light pollution issues. JB had responded.

Jane Ogden- Smith, ELHSCP – Consultation on Services for an Ageing Population

Hamish Dunbar-Nasmith, Strutt and Parker, Banchory- Seeking information on Planning Application for path at Spott- JB had responded that Spott is East Lammermuir CC and that Crispin Hayes is the consultant for the Spott Community Association Path Project.

Via Facebook, Various- recycling not collected – JB had responded

Via Facebook- Karen Bell – Jenkins - Lighting failure at Spott Road- JB had responded

Via Facebook- Gavin Wilson – Query about Planning requirements for domestic flagpoles. JB had responded.

William Barnott- Energy matters – JB had responded

ELC via Dunbar Day Centre- Consultation sessions on Housing, Health and Planning

Gary Donlin, SSE renewables- Reminder of Public meeting regarding Berwick bank at Innerwick Village Hall – 7pm on 29th march.

Via Facebook- Kevin Anderson, Dunbar Coastguard- Seeking update on person injured at East Beach Beach clean event where Coastguard had attended. JB had responded.

Sue Anderson- Concerns about saltmarsh damage at John Muir Country park by horse riders – JB had responded

Tia, London Hearts- Grants for defibrillators

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