

## **HUMBIE, EAST AND WEST SALTOUN AND BOLTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

MINUTES of the 309th MEETING of the Humbie, East and West Saltoun and Bolton Community Council held on WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018 in the Humbie Village Hall, HUMBIE at 7.00 p.m.

### **PRESENT**

Mrs R Greenhill (RG) Chairperson  
Mr A Beck (AB)  
Mrs M Hodge (MH)  
Mr F Kirwan (FK)  
Mrs S Jamieson (SJ)  
Mr D Smith (DS)  
Mrs R Wilson (RW)  
Councillor B Small (BS)

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received from Mrs B Roberts (BR), Councillor J McMillan (JMc), PC L Bairden (LB), Councillor S Ahktar (SA), and Councillor T Trotter (TT)

### **MINUTES OF MEETING**

The Minutes of the previous meeting, which had been circulated, were taken as a true record subject to a correction to paragraph (5) under Any Other Business where briefing should read bridge.

### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None declared.

### **MATTERS ARISING**

#### **(1) Retiral of Secretary**

Marion Bisset had confirmed, in the light of her recent poor health, that she was retiring with immediate effect from her secretarial duties on the Community Council. It was agreed that a new secretary should be appointed. A job description would be advertised. AB clarified that this was a paid position provided that Secretary is not a member of the Community Council.

Action AB and RG

#### **(2) Ideas to utilise the Humbie bus service/Gifford Lunch Club**

The Bus Forum is not due to meet until March. SJ confirmed that she had emailed Andrew McLellan about using the bus, but had not received a reply. It was noted that the Area Partnership has awarded the lunch club £1000. It was agreed that contact should be made with the lunch club in due course.

Action SJ

#### **(3) Local Directories**

RW confirmed that the Local Directory had been emailed to all those listed within it to confirm accuracy of content. Thereafter it will be circulated amongst members so that a decision can be made on how it should be distributed. AB reported that at the last Area Partnership meeting, it had been noted that there is a lack of a list of voluntary groups in the Haddington and Lammermuir area.

Action RW

**Advertise for new Secretary – Action AB and RG**  
**Seek out the contact details for the Gifford Lunch Club – Action SJ**  
**Final draft of Local Directory to be circulated amongst members – Action RW**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- A copy of a letter from East Lothian Council responding to the complaint made in October 2016 about the Community Council had been received and circulated amongst members. The Council has not upheld the complaint made about the Community Council. It did suggest that more might be done in relation to communication through websites and Facebook pages.

### **AREA PARTNERSHIP**

- (1) AB reported that Caitlin McCorry has been appointed to oversee the operation of the Area Partnerships . He noted that a number of funding applications had been reviewed including ones from the Gifford Lunch Club, the Dementia Café and 3 applications to the Education budget. The Gifford Lunch Club and Dementia Café applications were approved. 2 of the education applications were approved and 1 was deferred.
- (2) AB noted that serious concerns had been raised about a number of the applications and the application and approval process more generally. The AP agreed that, in future, all applications would be circulated to all AP members and comments should be submitted to the Area Manager or to the appropriate “champion” As part of her role, Caitlin McCorry will be reviewing financial approval procedures for all Area Partnerships.

### **PLANNING**

No applications of relevance were submitted.

### **TRANSPORT**

- (1) **Parking petition**  
It was noted that a Transport Strategy is due to be published by the Council at the end of February. This will set out proposals for parking in Haddington and will be the subject of public meetings. It was agreed that representations should be made in response to that.
- (2) **Speeding Cars**  
It was noted that BR did respond to the resident about an incident of a speeding car through Bolton. He was advised in the event of similar incidents in the future he should report the number plate to the police direct
- (3) **Speed Reactive Signs**  
It was noted that the Bolton sign has not been moved yet. For East Saltoun, RW would consult the East Saltoun Community Association on whether the sign should be moved to the Petersmuir Road and whether a new NAL socket was required for the Gifford entrance to the village.
- (4) Burnett Crescent – a resident had complained about the planters in the main street and that these obstruct lines of sight. It was noted that suggestions had been replace the plants with low growing shrubs.

**Action RW**

**Confirmation on location of speed reactive sign for East Saltoun – Action RW**

## **FINANCE**

A note was circulated to groups operating within the area to note that funds are available to support small community projects. A response had been received regarding the flood lighting at the East Saltoun church. AB had confirmed the Communities Council on-going commitment to these costs. It was also suggested that these funds be used to create a website.

## **POLICING**

### **(1) Police Report**

- The police report was not available at the meeting but was provided subsequently and circulated to members.

### **(2) CAPP Priorities**

SJ confirmed that she had raised the issue of the light at North Port. The police would speak to the resident. The priorities continue to reflect the required for speed checks in our villages. The CAPP priorities are:

- Speeding in Gifford and East Saltoun
- Parking near Waterloo Bridge, Haddington

**Attend next CAPP meeting – Action SJ**

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

### **(1) Give way sign at Saltoun Crossroads**

DS reported that the sign had been knocked over and that he had reported it to the Council.

### **(2) Association of East Lothian Community Councils**

The next meeting is on 14 February. A number of Councillors had agreed to attend.

### **(3) Gifford Cycle Races**

It was noted that concerns have been raised about the recurrent races which pass through Gifford. It was noted that these usually pass through Bolton too. Concerns have been raised about the lack of consultation with affected communities. The next race is on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and no information has been forthcoming. It was also noted that Council it to meet to review its policies as regards big events. The meeting date was expected at the end February. It was agreed that Bolton Councillors should contact Gifford Community Council

**Action RG, SG and BR**

### **(4) Fletcher Hall**

The East Saltoun Community Association is due to meet the Council to discuss the plans for the replacement of the hall. In particular the educational and communities needs for the building would be discussed. RW will attend the meeting.

### **(5) Airport flight routes.**

FK had attended the meeting held in Parliament. He noted that the application made to the CAA for new flight paths were different to those that had featured in the consultation. The CAA was undertaking a consultation but had paused this owing to numerous applications from airports across Scotland. New flight paths are expected to effect from April 2018. FK would continue to keep abreast of the issues.

**Contact Gifford CC about cycle races – Action RG, SJ and BR**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the above will be held on WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018 in the Fletcher Hall, EAST SALTOUN at 7.00 p.m.