

HUMBIE, EAST & WEST SALTOUN AND BOLTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes 355th Meeting

Tuesday 5th September 2023

19:30

Fletcher Hall, East Saltoun

Present: Iain Galloway, Frank Kirwan, Margo Hodge, Janet Beck, Sandy Wilson, Robin Grenfell, John McMillan, Tom Trotter, Carla Ward
Andrew Main, Jennifer Jarvis - East Lothian Health and Social Care Partnership

Agenda item	Action
1. Apologies	
Shamin Akhtar, George McGuire, Derek Logie	
2. Disclosure of Interests	
Nothing declared.	
3. Approval of previous minutes and action update	
Approved	
4. Finance	
Margo provided an overview of the current position.	
5. Planning Applications	
NA	
There was a query raised as regards a rumour about planning development for housing around a property in Humbie. Carla has not found any housing planning applications on the system.	
6. East Lothian Health and Social Care Partnership	
Andrew and Jennifer shared a presentation with the community council. Andrew noted that they want input from the local communities as the needs and requirements differ per areas. The need the feedback from local	

communities as some areas may need bespoke solutions for the more geographically isolated areas.

Margo asked whether they were able to provide us with a rough cost per capita (private care, at home care etc.)
Andrew stated that they will have that information to share as it will be mapped out and modelled for the options analysis.

Andrew said that they will send us the link to the online survey and asked that it be shared with the community.

Iain noted that he would share it to the community website.

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Andrew reiterated that they are looking for any ideas or suggestions.

7. Scot Gov Funding

It was noted that ELC is the 3rd lowest funded council in Scotland but is the 2nd fastest growing.

George stated that he feels that the formula Scot Gov uses needs to be changed.

John noted that ELC is looking at delaying capital expenditure.

John touched on the RAAC issues at Preston Lodge and Brunton hall and noted that the issue at PL is easier to solve than that at the Brunton.

He further noted that ELC has a 30 - 40% janitorial absence rate, which means that facilities such as libraries etc. cannot be serviced, as they need the staff at the schools.

John said that there was very good, robust questioning of the financial team at the last council meeting and the papers are available to be viewed by the public.

8. Correspondence (since last meeting)

Frank queried the 5-week closure of a mile long section of the B6368 for roadworks. John stated that he has raised the question but hasn't received an answer yet.

9. Website - no additions from this meeting

Add the online survey that was shared by the East Lothian Health and Social Care Partnership. **IG**

10. Any other business

Stuart Baxter, Connected Communications Manager, introduced himself to the group and noted that he works in the background to help support Community Councils. If anyone requires any guidance or assistance, please get in touch.

Iain noted that the church in Saltoun is likely to be sold. It's looking like it will be purchased by a group that will leave it available to the community.

Margo pointed out that if it is sold, it is not allowed to be used for any religious services.

Robin stated that there is no school signage on the side road up to Strawberry Woods for Saltoun Primary. John will follow up with Keith Scott at ELC. **JMcM**

11. Date of next meeting

3rd October 2023

19:30

Humbie Village Hall