HUMBIE, EAST & WEST SALTOUN AND BOLTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes 361st Meeting

Tuesday 5th March 2024 19:30 Fletcher Hall, East Saltoun

Present: Iain Galloway, Frank Kirwan, Margo Hodge, Alexander Wilson, John McMillan, Derek Logie, Robin Grenfell, Carla Ward

Agenda Action item

1. Apologies

Carrie Murray, Janet Beck, Shamin Akhtar, George McGuire

2. Disclosure of Interests

Nothing declared.

3. Approval of previous minutes and action update

The minutes were approved.

4. Finance

Spreadsheet was shared ahead of the meeting. MH provided a brief overview of the finances.

5. Planning Applications

It was noted that there is no further updates/progression on the proposed work around East Saltoun.

JM stated that there had been some concerns around the battery storage units for Wind Turbines and there would be a meeting in Gifford to discuss this. The concerns were regarding the possibility of a fire risk, which RG indicated is something that is covered as a part of the planning application for turbines.

JM said that a paper as regards Heating Systems would be going to the Council in March.

6. Correspondence (since last meeting)

Bolton Village Hall - Replacement of lights

A request for funding for the replacement of the lights in the hall has been submitted, along with 3 quotes.

It was agreed to provide them with £500 for this work.

7. Website - no additions from this meeting

8. Any other business

AELCC

Margo attended the meeting and provided an overview.

Connected Communities

Mandy Harrington has expressed interest in meeting with communities. She can provide information as to where funding is available for projects. MH will keep informed through Toasty Tuesdays and will share the information if applicable.

Church Buildings - East Saltoun

Kenny McIntosh has arranged a meeting for the 27^{th} March at the Session Rooms with the architect Malcom Fraser to share his thoughts on what can be done with historic buildings.

IG said that there has been discussion around what can be done with the building that will generate revenue.

MH noted that Humbie Church had another 3 years before a decision would be taken as regards the closure, Saltoun and Bolton Churches deadline has been extended till June.

DL stated that there needs to be a coordinated approach as regards these buildings.

MH noted that there are approximately 400 historic buildings on the market and not all of them can be used as community spaces. She further noted that the church buildings that are sold have the caveat that they cannot be used to start up another church/religious group.

9. Date of next meeting

9th April 2024 19:30 Humbie Village Hall