

HUMBIE, EAST & WEST SALTOUN AND BOLTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes 368th Meeting

Tuesday, 3rd of December 2024
19:30
Humbie Village Hall

Present: Margo Hodge, Derek Logie, Alexander Wilson, Carla Ward, Tom Trotter, John McMillan, Mandy Harrington

Agenda item	Action
1. Apologies Iain Galloway, Robin Grenfell, Janet Beck, Frank Kirwan, George McGuire, Shamin Akhtar, Carrie Murray	
2. Disclosure of Interests NA	
3. Approval of previous minutes and action update The minutes were approved.	
CW to send email to Planning Department re: Bughtknowe to request confirmation that the racetrack and associated works have been removed as instructed.	CW to send email to planning department
Invoice for East Saltoun Christmas Tree - MH will follow up	Follow up on invoice
Saltoun Church report - AW noted that Alastair had indicated that it hasn't been supplied yet.	
4. Finance The reports were shared ahead of the meeting. MH noted that Bank of Scotland will be charging Community Groups an annual fee of £51 (£4.25 a month). She noted that the charges cover everything. MH will look into opening an easy access account to allow us to earn interest on the funds sitting in the account. The decision was taken to continue with BoS until the end of the financial year and will review the situation then.	
5. Funding Request East Saltoun Church Lighting - formally noted that this was approved by the CC.	
6. Pencaitland / Saltoun Path Proposal MH - shared the notes sent by IG. DL - Pencaitland came up with various ideas - we can maybe feed into it. He also suggested using the existing paths and making better use of	

them. DL will send a plan that he drafted up through to IG. MH noted that the research into the best path is ongoing - it can be a joint effort with Pencaitland.

DL to send plan through to IG

7. Planning Applications

ELC Planning Service - National Customer and Stakeholder Satisfaction Survey has been shared with CC.

8. Correspondence (since last meeting)

MH said she was disappointed with the decision to cut funds to the Music programme. She noted that Humbie PTA funded the music programme at the school.

9. Website

AW - suggested that we should share information as regards Pathhead pharmacy prescription delivery.

IG to add info to website

10. AOB

Community member involvement in CC

A number of people have joined meetings as interested parties - there isn't clarity as to where they stand - getting correspondence etc. Previously, non-councillors could attend meetings but as observers only. MH indicated that she is unsure as to what the procedure is. We used to be able to coopt someone onto council. DL stated that we can coopt someone onto the council if we have a vacancy. TT recalled that others have been coopted into CC's even when there were too many members. AW noted that in terms of succession planning, there is a benefit in having people coopted into the CC until there is a vacancy available. CW confirmed that we currently have a vacancy for Bolton. DL noted that Jo Ward is keen to be involved, and he would like to include him. It was agreed that correspondence would only be shared with Community Councillors. All other interested parties are able to view papers, which include the date of the next meeting, on the website.

Funding Request - West Saltoun

West Saltoun requested funding for new lights for their Christmas Tree - £50. DL will work out and submit the information as regards the electricity usage.

Area partnership

MH noted that there is still funding available. Quite a few requests have come in.

11. Date of next meetings

7th January
Bolton Village Hall, Bolton

4th February
Fletcher Hall, East Saltoun