

HUMBIE, EAST & WEST SALTOUN AND BOLTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes 375th Meeting

Tuesday, 2nd September 2025
19:30
Bolton Village Hall

Present: Iain Galloway, Alexander Wilson, George McGuire, Margo Hodge, Frank Kirwan, Janet Beck, Carla Ward

In Attendance: Sharon Dirkin, Danny Hunter

Agenda
item

Action

1. Apologies

Tom Trotter, Robin Grenfell, Shamin Akhtar, Mandy Harrington, John McMillan

2. Disclosure of Interests

NA

3. Approval of previous minutes and action update

Minute approved as accurate

4. Finance

The report was circulated ahead of the meeting.

5. Christmas tree funding

East Saltoun requested funding for their tree again.
£110 approved by members.

IG will notify Elaine

Brownies funding request - we will not be assisting.

6. Smart meters

FF noted the survey that was carried out in Humbie. Responses indicate that there is a problem.

AW in touch with Billy Agnew at ELC. Billy has indicated that it is the energy providers responsibility to get the meters working.

A freelance journalist invited the public to share their experience with the energy provider Octopus. Journalist is not sure when the article will be published.

OFGEM indicates that it is up to the energy suppliers and DCC to ensure that those that want a smart meter can get one.

AW feels that the CC should be involved in this process - there is still more work to be done.

FK suggested that Saltoun and Bolton should survey their communities to get an understanding of how many people are having issues.

AW will invite Billy to attend the CC meeting in October.
FK will forward the Humbie survey through to IG.

FK send survey to IG

This item will be carried forward to the next meeting.

7. Remembrance Services

Anniko sent an email to the CC, offering to put together packs for those that would like to hold their own services and has asked that the offer be shared with the various communities.

The main service will be held in Yester.

MH suggested that the Humbie community could have a service to read out the names with a piper and have an event at the stables.

Humbie will proceed with MH's suggestion.

8. Planning Applications

NA

9. Correspondence (since last meeting)

Marie Curie - fundraising

MH will get in touch and arrange something through Toasty Tuesdays.

10. Website

Flag up smart meters - good to get feedback from folk before next meeting.

IG to add smart meter information

11. AOB

AW suggested sending out a reminder regarding the CC elections. He has let the elections office know that Humbie Hall is available for elections.

IG noted that information was shared on the website and that 3 people had expressed an interest in joining the CC. He will share the information again on the website and via Facebook channels.

IG, FK and JB noted their intention to stand down.

The CC requires a minimum of 5 councillors.

Deadline for nominations is the 23rd of September.

12. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 7th October 2025

Fletcher Hall

19:30 - 21:00