

Dalkeith and District Community Council (DDCC)

Note of meeting Tuesday 12 March 2019

1	Present and Apologies	Action
	<p>Present</p> <p>Community Councillors: Ann Stewart-Kmicha (AS-K) (Chair); Kit Deans (KD); Kate Robertson (KR); Andrew Watt (AW).</p> <p>Midlothian Council : Cllr Colin Cassidy(CC)</p> <p>Edinburgh Airport : Louise McIntyre, Community Engagement Manager.</p> <p>Apologies: Rae Beatson; Evelyn Fleck; Chris Hampton and Isobel Mulligan. PC Dan Clarke; Cllr Stephen Curran.</p>	
	<p>The Chair introduced Louise who talked about her new role at Edinburgh Airport before answering questions. Louise highlighted the Edinburgh Airport Community Board Fund, citing Dalkeith Thistle Community Football Club as a local example of a successful applicant before encouraging more Midlothian groups to apply. It was viewed as encouraging that a recently requested Air Pollution Report had already been provided to Midlothian Federation of Community Councils and that there was now a much easier way of accessing the Special Assistance Team on the airport's website. It was noted that the consultation about Air Space was to happen again but that this time the processes would be different. Concerns about the noise from arriving aircraft were raised and Louise gave more technical background information. Attention was drawn to the 3 permanent and 3 mobile noise monitors. It was also pointed out that weather conditions as well as time of day could affect their readings. The increase in charges for drop-offs was discussed and it was pointed out that the additional revenue raised was to go towards the construction of an alternative road into the airport from the Gyle. Information was also given about the 3 ground handling agents as the most common complaint received was about the length of time it took before luggage was available to be collected. Louise reminded the meeting that screens in the Baggage Hall displayed real-time statistics and should allow preparation for any delay. She also elaborated on the perceived "forced" walk through Duty-Free. With the South-East Pier now fully functional and with more beds for planes, the airport was expanding. The opportunities for employment for folk from Midlothian were mentioned, before the Chair thanked Louise for a most informative and positive presentation.</p>	
2	Approval of Note of Meeting held on 12 February 2019	
	This was agreed.	
3	Matters Arising/Action Points from 12 February 2019	
	<p>AP1: Circulation of approved note of meeting: completed.</p> <p>AP2: Old DDCC website: holding message will be displayed till 24 March 2019.</p> <p>AP3: Hate crime statistics: completed.</p> <p>AP4: Generic agenda on website: completed</p> <p>AP5: Crossing unbroken white lines: confirmed as legal</p> <p>AP6: Use of noticeboards: carried forward</p> <p>AP7: Common Good Fund: ongoing</p> <p>AP8: Meeting with Jim O'Donnell: ongoing</p> <p>AP9: Response to request for financial support: completed</p>	<p>AP1 All</p> <p>AP2 AS-K/EF</p> <p>AP3 All</p>

4	Police Report	
	<p>PC Dan Clarke had provided a police report for February 2019 which included recorded and detected crime statistics and highlighted some individual crimes. He also mentioned the support being given by Danielle Rowley M.P., Greggs and Dalkeith Miners' Club towards the Cowden Pavilion Project for young people in S1 upwards on Fridays from 5p.m. He drew attention to the change in Local Area Commander – Chief Inspector Kenny Simpson replaced by Chief Inspector Aaron Clinkscales – and to the fact that he himself was taking up a temporary post with the National EU Exit Force Reserve. The Community Council wanted to wish him well in his new appointment and thank him for all he has done so far. Until his return other members of the team (PC Scott Robertson, PC Rob Wallace and PC Pam Begbie) will assist and DalkeithCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk will be the point of contact.</p>	
5	Councillors' Reports	
	<p>Cllr Cassidy offered support in relation to several issues raised regarding traffic management and vehicle parking.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High Street - pool of water gathering in the car parking spaces outside W.H. Smith's as well as on the pavement outside Nationwide - High Street/Edinburgh Road - the build-up of traffic at this junction sometimes tailed right back to the Musselburgh Road and could perhaps be alleviated by prohibiting parking outside the Cavaliere and a filter right traffic light opportunity. - Eskbank Road/Buccleuch Street – the build-up of traffic at this junction sometimes tailed right back to Morrison's car-park entrance and a filter right traffic light opportunity might alleviate. - Lugton Brae - parking and possible re-alignment of road markings were causing concern to local residents, some of whom had already been in correspondence with Midlothian Council officers. The fact that there had been no initial consultation had only exacerbated the situation. It was agreed to write to Dave Kenny and request a reason for the re-alignment. - North Wynd – the car park had recently been closed all day on a Sunday yet nothing had happened. This had caused some difficulties to the people attending either of the places of worship situated at the entrance or exit of that car park. 	AP4 AW
6	Community Council Priorities for 2018/19	
	<p>Jarnac Court/Town Centre Regeneration Waiting for the report to Midlothian Council</p> <p>Traffic management/parking See item 5.</p> <p>Engaging the community and Communications Suggestions of what could be put on the new noticeboards were shared. Information about next month's meeting to be displayed.</p>	AP5 AS-K
7	Common Good Fund	
	In the absence of Evelyn this was deferred until next month.	
8	Reports from meetings	
	<p>Edinburgh Airport Noise Advisory Board (EANAB): Andrew deferred reporting until next month, after the meeting with Edinburgh Air Traffic Control.</p>	

	<p>Midlothian Federation of Community Councils (MFCC): Annette Laing attended the MFCC meeting on 20 February to inform about her new role within the Services with Communities Programme. She is looking at how Midlothian Council can deliver services in a different way, with communities at the heart of service provision, and so able to influence it. Annette hopes to develop 5 or 6 projects and issued a triangular infographic she is working on, asking for feedback. The Chair and Vice-Chair of MFCC were meeting Dr Grace Vickers on Thursday 28 February for an update following the budget decisions. MFCC still waiting for information about flower beds and grass cutting. They are dismayed and disappointed with Midlothian Council's Planning Committee's decision to grant Planning Permission at the site of the former Rosslynlee Hospital despite the fact that the developer is refusing to provide any developer contributions. Also agreed to arrange an event around the Scottish Government's Good Food Nation consultation.</p>	
	<p>One Dalkeith 21 Eskdail Court has been leased and is now being made ready for the AGM on Wednesday 8 May 2019.</p>	
	<p>Woodburn/Dalkeith Community Action Plan Meeting held on Monday 11 March in Dalkeith Miners' Club was told about Ward 3 being successful in the bidding for the £90,000 to be used in a Participatory Budget Exercise. The lower limit for projects is £10,000 but can creatively combine things. Agreed theme for projects "Community Wellbeing". Meeting in May for professionals to be arranged and all sectors of the communities to be contacted to ensure representation on steering group. Name of steering group to be PB Community Partnership group. All primary schools to be contacted and encouraged to submit PB ideas from their Market Place project.</p>	
<p>9</p>	<p>Consultations</p>	
	<p>Following on from the Core Paths Review 2019 Public Consultation event in Dalkeith Library an opportunity to visit the area of Ironmills Steps has been made available. Concern about the suggested relocating of part of the National Cycle Route 1 around the proposed perimeter of the Film Studio development had also been raised.</p> <p>The Scottish Affairs Committee of the UK Parliament wants to hear about experiences of accessing financial services https://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/commons-select/scottish-affairs-committee/inquiries/parliament-2017/access-to-financial-services-17-19/</p> <p>The Scottish Parliament's Health and Sport Committee is consulting on Primary Care for the next generation. https://www2.gov.scot/Topics/Health/Services/Primary-Care</p>	
<p>10</p>	<p>Correspondence including Planning Applications, Traffic Orders and Licences</p>	
	<p>A list of the recent planning applications was tabled from Evelyn. These were noted.</p> <p>Proposed film studio - A meeting with Jim O'Donnell has still to be set up.</p>	

	<p>Although not an actual application, concerns about coalescence were raised regarding the possible development at Kippielaw. It was also felt that siting a school there might be problematic. Using land adjacent to St David's Primary School might be more acceptable.</p> <p>Proposals for disabled parking bays in Hepburn Drive, Shadepark Drive, Shadepark Crescent, Woodburn Gardens and Woodburn Place were noted.</p> <p>Various forth-coming events were referred to :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New Walking Group, Dalkeith Walk and Talk, meeting Dalkeith Library on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. starting on Wednesday 13 March. - Reminder of Community Ownership: Assets for People and Place event on Saturday 16 March in Brunton Halls from 9.30 a.m. – 2 p.m. Chair hopes to attend. - Invitation from MFCC, Save Kippielaw and Midlothian Allotments campaign to Good Food Nation Midlothian Summit on Saturday 16 March, Dalkeith Arts Centre, 2-5 p.m. - The Sports Hub meeting will be held at Newbattle Campus on 19 March and the chair hopes to attend. - Initial meeting of reformed Midlothian Outdoor & Woodland Learning group (OWL) to be held on Wednesday 20 March from 6 – 7.30 p.m. at Newbattle Abbey College. - Notification of the launch of the new Directory for Disabled People 2019 on Wednesday 27 March at 11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m. in St John's and King's Park Church. - Intimation of 1-2-1 funding surgery for the National Lottery Community Fund at MVA offices on Wednesday 27 March - Presentation by Suzanne Brodie from East Ayrshire about the work of their vibrant communities team in Fairfield House on Monday 1 April, 1 – 3 p.m. - Event at Galashiels on Tuesday 2 April by the Scottish Government Community Land Team about How and When to use Community Right to Buy Legislation. - Bluebell 5K and 10K Trail Run in Dalkeith Country Park on Sunday 28 April raising money for MYPAS - Information from Annette Laing about an event on May 23 in Midlothian Council Chambers from 9.30 – 11.45 a.m. called Midlothian's Nudges – Making a Difference - Behavioural Insights Exploration. 	<p>AP6 AS-K</p> <p>AP7 All</p> <p>AP8 AS-K</p>
11	Any Other Competent Business	
	<p>A letter requesting ideas for environment-related actions/goals for the Single Midlothian Plan provoked a response about charging points for electric vehicles. An audit of electric car charging points was suggested and it was noted that St Mary's Scottish Episcopal Church were considering putting some in.</p> <p>Clarification about the method of payment of the Community Council's insurance premium would be sought at the next meeting of MFCC.</p> <p>Concerns were raised about visitors to Dalkeith Country Park parking on Musselburgh Road.</p> <p>It was agreed to continue to support Dalkeith Festival and Woodburn Family Fun Day with a donation of £75 to each. More information was to be sought from WWHAM</p>	<p>AP9 AS-K</p> <p>AP10 AS-K</p>
12	Date of Next Meeting	
	Tuesday 9 April 2019 at 7pm. In the MVA Meeting Room	