



Dalkeith and District Community Council (DDCC)
Note of meeting held on Tuesday 11th February 2020
in MVA Meeting Room, White Hart Street.

1	Present and Apologies	Action
	DDCC: Ann Stewart-Kmicha (Chair); Evelyn Fleck; Kate Robertson; Andrew Watt Midlothian Council: Cllr Colin Cassidy Midlothian Community Safety Advocate Lynne Bruce MSP Caseworker Jim McLeod Apologies: Cllr Margot Russell	
2	Approval of Note of Meeting held on 10 December 2019	
	As there was no note of the meeting available, this could not be approved.	
3	Midlothian Community Safety Advocate	
	Lynne Bruce introduced herself as the new Community Safety Advocate for Midlothian, part of the CAT team. She spoke about her new role and how it fitted in with the existing service provision. She explained that it was easier for her to go and see individuals to discuss safety issues rather than a full fire crew which was the only other alternative if the service was to be maintained all the time. But she explained how her remit is wider than just advising on home fire security. She was now established at Dalkeith Fire Station and would welcome any safety related enquiries from residents.	
4	Council Meeting	
	At the Midlothian Council meeting held earlier that day, it had been agreed to raise Council Tax by 4.8%, the maximum allowed. Making charges for collecting Brown Bins had raised £600K with admin costs of £30K. The renovations and improvements in the Eskdail Court "tunnel" were now finally taking place and the change in the Jarnac Court building to provide accommodation for homeless had been approved.	
5	Community Council Priorities for 2019/20	
	a) <i>No. 11 Official Opening.</i> The was still tba. b) <i>Parking.</i> Lindsey Haddow had not got back about this. It was suggested that one option would be to invite her to a meeting. c) <i>Save Kippielaw.</i> It was agreed to invite representatives from this group after the reconsideration of possible sites for the new Primary School. d) <i>Medical Centre.</i> Another possible speaker might be the Practice Manager from the Medical Centre.	
6	Reports from meetings.	
	Edinburgh Airport Noise Advisory Board (EANAB) Andrew reported that the airport, EAL, had not passed the CAA Stage 1 Define Gateway. However this was probably only going to be a temporary hold-up,	

	requiring the airport to rewrite certain sections of their submission to the CAA with fuller details.	
	Midlothian Federation of Community Councils (MFCC): Ann reported that Rosewell CC had produced a Privacy Notice that she felt was worth looking at.	
	One Dalkeith	
	One Dalkeith were anxiously waiting on the outcome of the Participatory Budgeting exercise. The AGM was being held at 6.30pm on May 12 th which unfortunately was the same night as the CC meeting.	
7	Consultations	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>Participatory Budgeting.</i> The physical voting stage was now over but online voting was available until 22nd Feb. b) <i>Sheriffhall Roundabout.</i> This was the first opportunity to discuss this project. There was agreement from all that a solution for this traffic black spot was urgently needed and that the proposed flyover, while maybe not ideal, was a very good workable solution. The CC agreed to support the project and the acting Secretary agreed to send a letter of support. 	AW
8	Correspondence including Planning Applications, Traffic Orders and Licences	
	An application to renovate the pavilion in Ironmills Park as a Dance Studio was discussed. A concern was raised that this might preclude future use of the park for team sports, and traffic entering and exiting Ironmills Rd might encounter difficulties but it was felt that what was planned was not irreversible.	
9	Any Other Competent Business	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>Peppermint Park.</i> A complaint had been received regarding the state of litter being left by patrons of the night club. b) <i>PB Evaluation.</i> It was suggested that a thorough evaluation of all aspects of the PB process should be carried out after it was all over. One consideration might be fuller descriptions of each project so those voting had a better idea of what the projects were about. 	
10	Date of Next Meeting	
	Tuesday 10th March, 2020, at 7pm in the MVA Meeting Room.	