East Calder and District Community Council

MINUTES OF 07th MARCH 2017

Agenda Item		Activity/Comment
1.	Present: David, David, Neil, Kenny, Ian, Chris, Morag, Elizabeth	
2.	In attendance: Cllr's John & King, Alan Wright, Ray Kirk, PC Ryan, Malcolm Jones	
3.	Apologies: Caroline, Michelle, Willie Dunn	
4.	Minutes of Previous Meeting: Proposed by Ian. Seconded by David Phillip	
5.	Declarations of any Conflict of Interest – Kenny Ireland declared an interest under Item 10. As has a friendship with the landowner of the proposed Broompark development.	
6.	Matters Arising:	
	Special projects grant. Now resent and confirmed received by Kenny and Ian.	Closed
	A71 Traffic, Road Maintenance and Capacity Management. Still waiting on contact details	Ongoing
	East Calder and District Community Council Website. Presentation to community council	Carried forward to April meeting
	CC Winter Night Out. Chris will email dates for April	Carried forward
	Community Noticeboard. Ralph Bell WLC will arrange repairs	Outstanding
	Telephone Box. Being refurbished and will be moved to new Partnership Centre in due course.	Ongoing
	Public Car Park at Cemetery – need a sign so public using country park can use it	Dave King to take forward
7.	Treasurer's Report: Balance of £2978.81. £35.00 Data Protection Standing Order debited. £71.99 cheque to the Scouts for planting has been cashedChange of Name to Bank Account documents have been received.	
8.	Councillors Report: Oakbank – Still waiting on confirmation of ownership	Dave King
	Network Rail - Councillor's King and John have received response from Lydia Gallacher, Network Rail however this conflicts with other information received and needs further clarity.	Dave King and Carl John.
	Airport Consultation – Meeting chaired by Kirknewton CC was attended by Councillors, Neil (ECCC) and representatives from the Airport. Concerns were voiced over the proposed A6 route that would overflow East Calder and Kirknewton and the negative impact that this route would have on the population and increased pollution. Challenges were made on the accuracy of the Airport Consultation Report as it did not fully take into account the current and increasing population, schools, RAF Base and Gliding Training school. Representatives from the Airport are to revisit the report and present their rational to why A6 is the preferred route once they have considered the feedback and challenges. WLC are issuing a response to the Aviation authority.	Ongoing
	Councillor John reported flooding in the Raw Holdings which suspect was due to drilling works being undertaken by Persimmon Homes.	

9.	Police Report	
	Statistics report a decrease in reported crime for the period February 2017 against 2016. During February 2017 to 1st March 2017 there were 91 calls received. 12 crimes reported, 7	
	road traffic calls, 6 shipping containers broken into, 1 break in, 1 door handle unscrewed, 14 antisocial behaviour and 24 dropped calls.	
	antisocial behaviour and 24 dropped cans.	
10.	Broompark Development. Malcolm Jones on behalf of Peter Dalton.	
	WLC have received a detailed application for building of 50 houses and the existing derelict building has now been removed from the site. This land stretches down to the Almondell. Proposals will include the possibility of building a road that will run parallel to the existing Main Street to reduce congestion. Malcolm confirmed that the 50 houses have been taken into account for education requirements.	
	Meeting has been held with WLC Tree Officer who confirmed that no tree preservation order is in place on the site where shrubs are being cleared on Thursday 9 th March, there will not be any trees removed. The South Side of this site is regarded as Green Belt. Malcolm confirmed that there are no plans to develop this site and would welcome suggestions to what it can be used for as "it cannot stay as it is". Further details on the proposal will be send by Malcolm to Michelle.	Michelle to receive further information from Malcolm.
	These developments have resulted in the Hoghill path improvement ViF application being withdrawn.	
11.	East Calder Park Update	
	Michelle met with Becky and arranged a meeting on Thur 9 th March which all park stakeholders have been invited. She will be in attendance along with the Friends of group and this will be the first meeting to get things moving and coordinate the community's needs. E Goodfellow created some challenge with a FB post about the park which was intervened to avoid civil unrest and all seems to be OK. WCHS have been contacted to get view from students and there will probably be some posters put around the village after the meeting to get wider views. Paul Kettrick will attend the meeting.	Carried forward
12.	Proposed Flight Path See Councillor report for output from meeting.	
13.	East Calder Community Council Website Initial meeting held with draft proposals being built. Contacted Sheena for village history information. Liz asked whether it would be possible for the library computers to have the webpage as the default Homepage which will prompt users to browse and raise awareness.	Carried forward to April meeting
	Alan will maintain the updates for the first year.	
14.	AOCB	
	Michelle will not be able to attend the April meeting Chris will chair.	
	Next meeting Tuesday 4 th April 2017 @ 19.00	