

East Calder & District Community Council Meeting  
East Calder Partnership Centre  
Tuesday 5 June 2018

Declarations of Interest -

None

Present -

David Philip, Chris Davidson, Janet Davidson, Morag Lyall, Caroline Wright, Kenny Ireland, David Ogg, Neil Lovett

Attending -

Councillor's Carl John, Dave King and Damien Timson, Ray Kirk, Alan Wright, 2 Mid Calder Community Council members), 22 Residents (East and Mid Calder)

Apologies -

None

Matters Arising -

May Minutes - Proposed David Ogg, Seconded Kenny Ireland

Councillor's Report -

Councillor King update -

East Calder is next on the list for Doctor's Surgery

Retention of Musical Bands in Schools

East Calder Primary School - Boundary wall remove the half brick due to structural and safety issues and replace with timber fence in the school holidays. Neighbours to be advised.

Child burial and cremation fees to end - Scottish Government and COSLA agree no family should pay to bury or cremate their child under the age of 18 years.

Old Lamp Posts East Calder Partnership Centre - to be removed 5 June 2018

Children's Rubber Play Area - date to be confirmed.

Jackie Galbraith has been appointed Principal & Chief Executive of West Lothian College replacing Mhairi Harrington who is retiring.

Councillor John Update -

Environmental waste - Jim Jack and local area committee - re dumping rubbish / not collecting buckets from rural roads.

Councillor Timson update -

Repairs to Roads - (A7051) pot holes have to be 40 mm deep, funding is being brought forward for semi permanent repairs.

Treasurer's Report -

The current balance is £2,207.96 credit. Statements address now showing correctly and being

received.

Police Report -

No report received this month or police attendance.

Broompark Nursery East Calder -

Chris Davidson gave an overview from the Pre Planning Application consultation held by Malcolm Jones (acting on behalf of his agent). The feeling from the resident's who attended on Thursday 17 May was that the Community Council collate the responses and do a presentation to East, Mid Calder and Pumpherston on the common factors and guidance on appealing planning applications in general.

Councillor Timson will share an online petition opposing the Broompark Development with the Community Council to share with residents on Social media. Councillor John had attended the pre application meeting and felt the Representative knew nothing and was poorly prepared. As both Councillor John and King fully intend to speak at the meeting when the application goes before the Council Planning they are unable to express their opinion on the matter.

At this stage the owner is looking at proposal / plan asking the community to come back with suggestions of what they'd like to see, collate the suggestions however doesn't need to take the suggestions onboard. Owner would then submit to the Council Planning which is when residents can place objections. If the Council Planning or Reporter grant permission at this stage the owner can give the land to the Developer.

First Bus -

Councillor King advised that the First Bus Consultation finished on 4 June 2018. West Lothian Council and First Bus held a meeting tonight at 5 pm, outcome not known at time of our meeting.

Councillor John attended the First Bus Consultation. First Bus had been unaware of the houses in Calderwood. As they are a private company they can reduce bus services where they want.

Any Other Business -

ECCRA AGM - David Philip, Chris Davidson and Morag Lyall attending. David Philip attends the monthly ECCRA meeting and gave update.

Parking around Scout Hall area - Caroline Wright confirmed that the Groups using the Scout Hall have taken onboard parking in the area when dropping and collecting children.

Enforcement Charter - West Lothian Council 2018.

E-mails - David Philip asked if all on the Community Council want to receive all emails or certain ones ie planning??

Community Council Documents - David Philip will check with Partnership Centre about a lockable

filing cupboard.

There being no other business the meeting was closed.

Next meeting -

Date - Tuesday 7 August 2018

Time - 7 pm

Venue - East Calder Partnership Centre