East Calder & District Community Council Minutes

The Military Museum Scotland, Legion Hall, Linburn, Wilkieston, EH27 8DU

Tuesday 12 February 2019

Present -

Chris Davidson, Janet Davidson, Kenny Ireland, David Ogg, Morag Lyall (Minutes), Neil Lovett.

Attending -

Councillor's Dave King, Damian Timson, Carl John, Six Wilkieston Residents.

Apologies -

David Phillip, Alan Wright, Ray Kirk.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest -

None

Minutes of Last Meeting - January 2019 - Proposed - Neil Lovatt

Seconded - Kenny Ireland

Matters Arising -

Dave King advised that anyone can submit an application for Village Improvement / Special Grant Funding however it must be for something in the community and not an individual.

Damian Timson advised there is no funding from West Lothian Council as stated in January 2019 minutes under Councillor's Report that WLC contributing a third (£1m)

Councillor's Reports -

Dave King Update -

Police Quarterly Report - see Police Report

Statutory Education Review to establish new secondary school at Winchburgh and new primary school at Calderwood. Public meeting to discuss proposal date to be confirmed.

St Paul's School - awaiting Persimmon to formally confirm it is content with the Section 75, thereafter signing can proceed and presented to Registers of Scotland, planning permission can then be issued to Registers of Scotland, planning permission can then be issued to Persimmon. Section 75 terms agreed with Cala and signing should happen this month and permission issued.

Health Centre Car Park

Health Centre agreement has been approved and will remain on the existing site with part of the park being used

Damian Timson Update -

Broompark - possibly May 2019

Mid Calder Consultation for the Weir - this is being funded by the Scottish Government and Lottery

Funding. There is no funding from West Lothian Council as stated in January 2019 minutes under Councillor's Report that WLC contributing a third (£1m).

School Bus Incident - bus was en route from East Calder to West Calder High School all children evacuated from bus and investigation will be undertaken.

Treasurer's Report -

Current balance - £1,713.23 credit, ICO Annual fee £35.00 direct debit due, awaiting annual credit from West Lothian Council Finance for 2018 accounts which Lorraine McGroarty has confirmed.

Police Report -

No police report. Dave King advised that the LAC Officer for local area committee report will be sent to the six Community Council Members in new format which is a quarterly police report. Damian Timson agreed that the new report gives more detail.

Village Improvement Fund / Special Grant Funding -

Chris Davidson advised that the Special Grant Funding is a maximum of £750 per application with two estimates and spent on what it was applied for. The Community Council are open to suggestions. A few ideas are War Memorial for East Calder and Wilkieston, memorial bench, Noticeboard. Dave King advised that the Village Improvement Fund for Wilkieston is £15,000. The grass verge beside the bus stop for a Noticeboard or bench was mentioned as possible location. Play Park at Linburn, whilst Linburn is privately owned could check with Linburn and West Lothian Council.

Organised Community Firework Display -

Chris Davidson advised that the local football club and Calderwood residents had approached with regards a public fire work event the cost is approximately £4,000 for a 30 minute organised/professional display.

A71 Traffic Management -

There was a survey of the flow of traffic undertaken recently this was in respect of traffic volume on the A71 for work at Hermiston.

Bus stop sign at Wilkieston (to Edinburgh) came down who is responsible for replacing the sign? Since the change in road lane for left turn towards Ratho difficult when cars are parked / waiting to turn for bus to stop.

Bypass road at Wilkieston due to come up at West Lothian Council - residents to be kept updated.

Carl John joined the meeting and updated on the Kirknewton Park and Ride.

Any Other Business -

Morag Lyall mentioned that The Doo Club ECG Meeting is on Sunday 17 February 2019 at 12 noon for all members.

Community Council Forum West Lothian - all Community Council's experiencing strategic transport

issues.

Edinburgh Airport Noise Advisory Board - Neil Lovett is representing East Calder & District Community Council and provided an update.

Neil Lovett attended Edinburgh Airport Noise Advisory Board (EANAB) meeting on the 6th February. The board comprises representatives from Community Councils surrounding the airport including Fife, as well as representatives from Edinburgh Airport Limited (EAL). This was the first attendance by EC&DCC. Key Points:

- EAL produces a monthly report of noise reports which is provided to EANAB
- EANAB are reviewing the noise modelling by EAL with assistance with Edinburgh University. There are concerns that the modelling does not reasonable model the potential impact on the surrounding areas.
- EANAB are in correspondence with the Commercial Airline Authority (CAA) regarding flight path changes and noise impacts
- EANAB are responding to a Scottish Government consultation and recommends that Edinburgh Council when receiving planning applications for changes to the airport, discuss this with surrounding authorities also, where such changes could cause impacts on surrounding authorities.
- EANAB are pro-active and engaged with addressing noise impacts from aircraft

NHS quarterly Meeting - Neil Lovett advised last meeting cancelled and the next is due in May 2019.

Oakbank - Neil Lovett has emailed Planning Officer Claire Johnson and will update at next meeting.

There being no other business the meeting was closed.

Next Meeting

Venue - East Calder Partnership Centre

Date - Tuesday 5 March 2019

Time - 19:00