



Gullane Area Community Council

Thursday 27 June 2024 Gullane Recreational Hall

1. Welcome and apologies.

Attendance: - Malcolm Duck (MD) Chair, Frank Neate (FN) Ruth Butterworth (Secretary) Alan Fraser (AF), Simon Paterson Brown (SPB) Rebecca Hughes (RH) Vice Chair, Zena Trendell (ZT) Cllr Jeremy Findlay (JF) Cllr Liz Allan (LA) 9 members of the public.

Apologies: Haydn Edwards (HE) Cllr McFarlane (CM) Alasdair Muir (AM) Doug Haig (DH) Martin White (MW) Karen McDougall (KMc)

MD welcomed everyone and added thanks to the councilors for attending.

2. Minutes of previous meeting, held on 29 May- see copy on our website at <http://www.gaddabout.org.uk/meetings/minutes/>

The minutes were approved, proposed by AF seconded by FN

3. Declaration of interest

No declarations were made.

4. Matters arising and actions from last meeting.

4.1 Quiet Road issue on hold-ACTION: DH will set up meeting.

Other cycle path proposed through Gosford estate..

Tom Reid Head of Infrastructure, ultimately responsible. Also, Nick Morgan Outdoor Access Officer at ELC. **ACTION: MD to arrange meeting.**

4.2 Golf Traffic

Dirleton happy with route, Aberlady less so no parking on seaward side. No reason given for this, road safety not a reason as this increases speeding through the village.

4.3 Bus stop markings at Bonnie Badger

Now complete

4.4 Speed Wardens

ZT is still waiting for police to respond to most recent query. All will be trained by police and machines retained by police. Speed wardens will monitor speed and report to the police who will deal with. Ongoing debate about how insurance will be provided and by who. Police will not cover. ZT still looking for volunteers, next meeting mid-July.



4.5 Gullane Parking

Occasional ticket issued. The issuing of tickets seems to be not consistent.

ACTION:Councillors to feed back to traffic department

5. Action log

To be reviewed and updated for next meeting. **ACTION:RB**

6. North Berwick parking proposals

Ongoing

7. Quiet route to school

CALA still due to draft letter to AF and MD. Quiet route to school abandoned as still ga on path.

ACTION:AF will also investigate. The housing association has refused the path on their land as might wish to build in future, have refused to engage with CALA. ACTION: Nick Morgan, ELC

8. Core Path-Gullane to Drem

Ian Monk (IM) has had positive responses from the Conservative, Green and Reform candidates and has invited reporters to cover the story, GACC see the Core Path as a priority.IM has invited local reporters to cover story -he has been campaigning for 19 years.

9. New councillors

To be discussed at August meeting.

10. LPF

SPB-Dirleton PS and Heriot Watt want to put up solar display. He explained that it would not be temporary (thus against funding criteria) but taken down each winter. Have permission from Ellie Douglas Hamilton for land use. CC agreed to fund materials. Route will be 1.2 km long.

11. Treasurer's Report

Has been circulated, all happy

12. Police Report

Has been circulated. ZT reported increase in calls, reduction in crimes. Police monitoring Anti-Social behaviour in North Berwick.

Lot of anti-social behaviour on buses since introduction of under 22 bus passes. ELC trying to introduce other activities to divert away from buses. It was commented that it would be sad if bus pass system removed because of the behaviour of a few. Needs to be consequences for behaviour. How can we support the police?



13. Village Reports

13.1 Gullane

Comments from floor about how traffic money will be spent, e.g. Hummell Road resurfacing and road lighting in Dirleton. Much reduced budget, down by £15 million. Question: Where do these come from? AF-On the Move Group. Comment that no proper consultation. Report of tow benches in bad state of repair beside Old Smiddy. Councillors recommended contacting John Stevens at ELC.

13.2 Aberlady

Grass between Church and school requires cutting. White lines across Golf Court exit need repainting. **ACTION: LA/JF to look into**

FN reported ESS looking into sewage issue

New crossing completing in Aberlady-took a very long time to complete. **ACTION:MD to discuss with Tom Reid at ELC.**

13.3 Drem and West Fenton

No updates

13.4 Dirleton

SPB reported school wants more integration with local community.

Historic re-enactment of siege of Dirleton Castle-7&8 September. 6/7 re-enactment groups at Yellowcraigs-tickets being sold on FB page 'Besieged-The Siege of Dirleton Castle' or can be bought at gate. ZT will circulate link. Limited to 500 people per day.

Fly tipping issue at Dirleton-layby-is this the best solution? **ACTION: MD will discuss with Tom Reid at ELC**

14. Website and Comms

MD thanked ZT for taking over

15. Planning

15.1 General. MW absent, report at August meeting

15.2 Local Place Plans

Gullane-has been submitted to ELC. Some feedback, ELC planning officer not totally happy with stipulations for registration of LPP e.g. active travel, core path, upgrade of waste water treatments prior to any new building. Consultation with residents had been held in meeting. **ACTION: ZT will put all LPP on GADDABOUT website.** MD keen not to track back on all the work that has already been done on all the LPPs.

Dirleton-draft plan also submitted. Similar response from planning officer. DH not happy with ELC response. At recent NBCAP DH commented that East Lothian had submitted more LPP than rest of country. ZT trying to unpick lengthy feedback, has been very challenging.



Aberlady-We are currently undertaking a "second phase" community consultation on some of the priorities and suggestions which emerged from the initial community survey. The intention has always been to have a "sense check" before the draft LPP is composed as there needs to be some consensus about the land use suggestions. Once the plan is written it will of course be shared with GACC and other relevant parties.

MD commented that good that villages had raised similar issues after draft submissions. ? Catch up on submissions at next meeting 29 August.

RH commented that process and requirements have changed dramatically since process started.

ACTION: Councillors will raise with planning department.

16. NBCAP

AF and FN had attended last meeting.

Issues raised around Abbey Care Home closure and MRT rejected funding application. Application will be re-presented, lot more info requested.

Other discussions around Local Area partnership and issue with quorum. Gullane has 2 votes.

17. On the Move Group

Already covered

18. AELCC

ACTION: MD will add minutes. Formation of new entity in progress to distribute funds from renewable energy developments around the county, not just in area of building. 2030 before entity operative. Members from CC-MD and RH. Complaints procedure in new entity to be developed.

19. AOB

Issue of pavement parking raised from floor, national law. ACTION:MD looking into. AF queried Health and Safety Assessment.

20. Next meeting

29 August at 7pm Aberlady Kirk Stables