

Royal Burgh of Haddington and District Community Council

Minutes of meeting 13th February 2017 in Council Chambers

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Jan Wilson (Chair), John Hamilton (Treasurer), Paul Darling, Morgwn Davies, Betty Sommerville, Rab Moran, Fiona-France Adam

In attendance

Cllr Tom Trotter, Cllr Brian Small, Cameron Ritchie (Courier), Anna Faulkner (minutes' secretary).

2. Apologies: Ruth Moncrieff (Secretary), Robert Flood (KA), Fiona McEwan, Chris McEwan, PC Lynn Black

3. New Applicant: Rory MacDonald

Rory explained that he is a local business owner, having taken over Leisure Time in Market St from his father recently. He has been brought up in the town and now has family himself at the primary school. He feels that it is a time of expansion and growth in the town and wants to be able to take part in this and make Haddington the best it can be. Jan explained that we would be happy to have him on the CC and invited him to stay at this evenings' meeting.

4. Minutes of 9th January

Approval of the minutes was proposed by John Hamilton and seconded by Morgwn Davies

5. Matters arising

5.1 Item 16.1 Haddington 700 Charter: Jan received email which states that anything to be included should be sent to the archive department (Ruth Fyfe).

6. Treasurers Report – details already emailed to all members

Accounts totals for month

- CC BoS Account balance: £14,680.48 as of 16/1/2018 (pending Santa Sleigh cost of sweets)
- Events Groups TSB balance:£8,535.88 as of 26/1/2018 (pending £176.50 Xmas teas/coffee profit and pending £44.55 of cheque(s) to be cashed)
- Held in cash-box: £507.22 as of 26/1/2018
(CC cash = £41.02, Events cash = £466.20)
- Local Priorities **uncommitted** 2017 – 2018 (refer to Page 2):£3021.31as of 12/12/2017

Highlights

- Very quiet month!

CC BoS Account transaction highlights, since last report

- £50 paid to Anna for monthly secretarial fees.

Events Group TSB Account transaction highlights, since last report

- Hogmanay – £856 loss showing from event.

Local Priorities Account transaction highlights, since last report

- <nothing to highlight>

Cash transaction highlights, since last report (CC: from CC cash, EC: from Events Cash)

- <nothing to highlight>

- Page Break

Local Priorities summary

HADDINGTON	Budget	Activity	Committed	Spent	Remaining
(RLXH) 5144 carry over from 2016/17	£3,056.68	WW1 Commemoration	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£0.00
Hadd Trusts	£70.00	New Christmas lights 2017	£5,773.12	£5,773.12	£0.00

2017/18 budget	£11,270.00	Myreton Festival Week equipment	£669.50	£669.50	£0.00
Total Budget	£14,396.68	Corn Exchange fridge	£759.99	£759.99	£0.00
		Santa Sleigh Run	£275.76		£275.76
		Armistice Event	£327.00	£49.80	£277.20
		WW1	£890.00	£705.34	£184.66
		Erection of Christmas lights	£250.00	£250.00	£0.00
		Erection of Christmas lights 2	£250.00	£250.00	£0.00
		Myreton Christmas equipment	£180.00	£180.00	£0.00
Total Uncommitted	£3,021.31	Total Committed	£11,375.37	£10,637.75	£737.62

6.1 Update: John said that this was a very quiet month. The only thing to note was that the Hogmany event made a loss of £856 – Jan pointed out that given the total outlay for such an event, this loss was not too bad. It was agreed though that it was a fantastic and successful night but lessons will be learned for the next time.

6.2 Local Priorities: Jan pointed out that we have £3000 left to use. She gave some suggestions for the CC to be thinking about including:

- i) give some to the Events Group as this year will be a very busier year
- ii) Monica Poborska runs a childrens art group twice a week, catering for up to 12 children at each class. The kids are there for 2 hours each session and get everything provided, including snacks/drinks. They got their first 6 months rent free but are now having to pay and Jan suggested we could help with a donation to this
- iii) Haddington Garden Trust - although they have applied for Lottery Funding Jan suggested we consider a donation.

It was agreed that Jan send out more information on the above before decisions are made re donations. To be continued at next meeting.

Action Jan

7. Local Priorities (see above)

8. Honoraria

8.1 This has been deferred for a couple of months now so after discussion by all present the decision to award honoraria was made as follows:

Chair: £250

Treasurer: £350

Secretary: £150

9. Councillors Corner

9.1 Wynd by Leisure Time: Rab witnessed a car driving down the lane from Market St to High Street. It has always been assumed everyone knew that this is not a through road so perhaps a notice should be in place indicating this.

9.2 Nungate Bridge area: Betty said that the road outside the entrance to the Bistro car park is in a bad state of repair.

9.3 Lights at end of West Road: Jan said that lights are out in the area. All the lights are out as they are being replaced with new ones.

9.4 Town Centre - road repairs/closures: major repairs are planned over the next few weeks which will require some roads to be closed off for a period in the town centre. A free shuttle bus will be provided during this time. Tom said it was unfortunate it was all being done at the same time but the work needs to be done if we want better road conditions.

9.5 Mill Wynd – new nursing home site: Rab suggested that if the tree stump at the very corner were removed this would allow the road to be wider at the corner. Tom will check on this.

Action Tom

10. Police Questions (as Lynn not at meeting pls email any items direct to her)

10.1 CAPP meeting:

CAPP priorities identified

1. Dangerous parking near to Waterloo Bridge, Haddington

2. Pro laser speed checks at East Saltoun, Bolton, Athelstaneford and Gifford

The next CAPP meeting will be held on Monday 12th March 2018 at 6.00pm in the Town House, Haddington

11. Knox Academy News - no update available

12. Planning Applications

12.1 Harperdean: Paul said that this was still at the rumours stage but an application may be presented at some point.

12.2 Anaerobic digester: this has been passed but will go to the Scottish Office on appeal so we will wait and see the outcome.

12.3 Court Street (small building next to bank): Paul also said that an application to alter this building to a shop of some sort has been lodged. He did not think there was anything to discuss with this proposal.

13. Correspondence – all been sent out to CC members

13.1 Town Centre Regeneration: parking surveys have been completed and a report generated – Jan will send out to members. A transport strategy will be available later in the year. She said that it is not just parking issues that are being looked at but the whole look and feel of the town centre. Whilst doing so we are aware that local businesses are concerned about the potential loss of parking in the centre of the town. Jan said that public meetings and consultation will be held so all should make sure they go along and have their say. *Action Jan*

14. Haddington Community Development Trust - no update available

15. Events Group meeting -no update available

16. Blooming Haddington

16.1 Update:

1. Rab reported that Jo and Laura have arranged a meeting with the PearTree Nursery and Knox Academy in March.
2. BH continue with general litter picking around the town as well as planting of bulbs.

17. Area Partnership (AP)

17.1 Sub groups: Paul reported that they are in the process of forming sub groups, which include areas as follows i) Young People, ii) Hospital Sub Group and iii) Health & Wellbeing.

17.2 Budgets: the council budget was announced today and part of this stated that service users, adults services, carers etc will be charged. A meeting being held on 14th Feb to discuss. Jan said it was sad times that this is the case with councils being in the grip of cash flow problems.

18. AOCB - none

Date of next Meeting: Tuesday 13th March 2018 in **Council Chambers, Town House** at 7.00pm.

Outstanding Matters Arising from previous minutes

2017

- 14/2** Roads issues: pole in pavement, Pencaitland Rd, diversion signs, dumped cones etc
Athelstaneford: speeding signs, signage at cemetery
- 11/4** Lights out on Nungate Bridge
- 13/6** Ball Alley – pole sticking up
Tyne Walkway – flooding(behind St Mary’s)
- 10/10** Curfew Bells
Traders licence – concession available
- 12/12** Station Court – disrepair of the road

2018

- Feb** Wynd by Leisure Time - ?signage
Road by car park – Nungate Bridge
Mill Wynd – tree stump at corner -? removal

Transportation Dept. -Pot Holes and Broken Slabs throughout the Town & Athelstaneford

Pot Holes: Ideal Garage junction, Stevenson, West Road surfaces, Whittingham Drive

Uneven Pavements: High Street, Market Street, Court Street. St. Anne’s Place, Mitchells Close (11/1/11)