

## **Haddington and District Community Council**

Meeting held online 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021 @7pm

### Apologies & Attendance

Attendance - Chris McEwan (chairperson), Pat Lemmon (vice chair), John Hamilton (treasurer), Fiona McEwan (Secretary), Graham Samuel, Jim Graham , Erica Muirhead, Therese Laing, Morgwn Davies, Rab Moran , Falko Burkert, Stuart Pe-win, David Barrett, Robert Flood (Knox Academy), Katie Moore (Knox Academy) , Tom Riddell (Knox Academy),  
Councillors: Shamin Akhtar, Tom Trotter, John McMillan, Cameron Ritchie (Courier), Diann Govenlock (ELC)

Apologies – Karla Green, Craig Hoy, Jack Worden.

### Adoption of Minutes

The adoption of September minutes were approved by Pat Lemmon and Seconded by Graham Samuel

### Matters Arising

Work to riverbank is still ongoing. The willow trees have been cleared so far and Tom Reid is now waiting on further clarification as to what the next steps will be. John McMillan to chase him up.

The road at Meadowpark is very busy and quite dangerous at times , especially during school drop off and pick up times. John McMillan will speak to the traffic wardens regarding this.

With our lack of a minute Secretary now is the time to look at that role and combine it with others. Looking to hire a person on a consulting basis for roughly 5-10hrs per week to cover Minute Secretary role along with other time-consuming roles ie: fundraising, admin work. We will advertise locally. Proposed by Erica and Seconded by Therese

Armistice will be on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November. Fiona McEwan in process of arranging this with ELC and the relevant groups, so far only Pipe Band and ourselves to March so we may just forget the March and meet at war memorial and Lay wreaths if no other groups will March

An extra wreath to be ordered for Athelstaneford and Pat Lemmon and Steven Spence will meet and lay it.

Malcolm missed out on Nominations re apply but have to wait 21 days. we will advertise and accept nominations from Ward 2 at the next meeting.

### Community Reports

#### **Knox Academy**

A virtual award ceremony was held again this year, its available to watch on the school website. Extra curriculars are now almost back to normal .

The poppies have been organised for this year and will be on sale for 2 weekends inside Tesco .

## Area Partnership

The meeting agenda will be out soon. Meeting will be online on 28<sup>th</sup> October @7am. They are hoping to restart the Health and Well-being group on 27<sup>th</sup> October and the Child and Youth Network in November.

## Blooming Haddington

They were awarded the Gold award this year. They thanked everyone for all their support. Currently tidying up the planters at Ideal Garage and planting crocuses at the rugby club. Their AGM is on 27<sup>th</sup> October

## Haddington Business

Paul Kinnoch looking to run the Festive Cabins this year again. It was stated that it was vital that there was no duplicate stalls for conflict of interest . So far the interest is from local businesses on the high street.

## Tenants and Residents

No updates at moment

## Correspondence

We had been contacted about a rumour regarding the Land Sale south of Dovecote – John Mcmillan said this was not on the development plan and would be surprised if anyone was buying land not on a plan as it's a risky investment.

Cemetery Access- Complaints about cemetery access have been address with a trial of Temp barriers for Haddington Athletic to use. ELC provided the barriers and HDCC produced signage for them.

## Councillors Corner

Shamin to check on status of the area on A199 , old entrance to Oaktree as it's being used as a dumping ground and looks unsightly

Shamin to check on the overgrown bushes at Athelstaneford park as you cannot use the path as they are so overgrown.

John McMillan will look at the removal of the old parking lines at Indian Restaurant as they are causing problems as have started to show through after being removed .

## Treasurer's Report

### Account balance for month

- CC BoS Account balance: £25,086.42 as of 5/10/2021 (£20,786 net, incl CC £4,300 ring fenced pending payments)
- Events Group TSB balance: £369.68 as of 26/5/2021 (No cheque(s) pending.)

- Held in cash-box: £96.34 as of 7/10/2021 (CC cash = £41.01, Events cash = £55.33)

### Highlights

- £3144.60 paid to Festive Lighting for new Xmas string lights.

CC BoS Account transaction highlights, since last report. £22,131 net total after pending deductions, not incl CC cash box.

- £190 paid out for gifts to 2 members who are leaving the CC and another to a CC member recently out of hospital.
- CC account used to transfer £3000 from EL Council to Dr Wight, so £3000 paid to us by EL Council, then within a day paid this to Dr Wight.
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- Last monthly £6 payment for COVID phone made, as now converted to PAYG.

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- <No transactions>

Ring fenced monies: £4300

- £4000 for Xmas lights refurbishment,
- £300 for Events licence

### Licencing & Planning

Planning Application 21/01248/PCL - Meadowpark Knox Academy Victoria Road Haddington.

Comments made about this not being in keeping with area.

David and Morgwn our new planning liaisons will prepare a reply to be circulated and submitted.

Webcasts of planning meetings online.

### Community Council Subgroups

- Events Group
  - Christmas Lights start soon.
- Haddington Tourism Development Group. See the report below and feedback any comments to Jack Worden



Report V3.pdf

### Any Other Business

New CC members to provide Chris with Bio and Photo for CC Website.

Outstanding items