

'LOANHEAD AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL'

MINUTES

MEETING HELD ON 12th July 2011, 7.30pm
IN LOANHEAD EX-SERVICEMEN'S CLUB

1. Present

P. Kenny (Chair), H. Fisher (Treasurer), J. Peacock (Secretary), A. Hamilton, C. Hamilton, E. Veitch, J. Bee (Press), Gillian Taylor (Community Officer L&B Police),

2. Apologies

J. Thomson, Michael Harkness

3. PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th June 2011 having been distributed, read, and were approved

Proposed by; C. Hamilton Seconded by; P. Kenny

The Chair opened the meeting by thanking everyone for attending

4. POLICE REPORT; A full detailed statistic report was made available.

- Overnight 6 -7 June, a container was broken into at Mike Stone Lighting, Dryden Glen Ind Est. Two generators and a Yamaha motor cycle were stolen. The motor cycle was recovered a few days later on the old bing area to the rear of the Industrial Estate.
- On 9 June, a 27 year old male and 42 year old female were seen acting suspiciously at Straiton Park & Ride. On officers attending, it transpired they were in possession of various Class A and B drugs and they were reported accordingly. The two had been on their way to a festival and were awaiting a lift at the time. They did not reside in this area.
- On 10 June, a 25 year old male was caught tendering counterfeit currency at Comet, Straiton. After lengthy investigations, a 31 year old male was identified as having supplied the currency and a 27 year old female was also charged in relation to this for having counterfeit currency in her possession. £1,600 was recovered in counterfeit currency.
- Late evening of 15 June, a break in was attempted to a garage in Park Avenue and a shed at Burghlee Terrace. Two male youths were seen running from both, however they were not identified. Nothing was stolen.
- Between 21 - 22 June, four houses in the Burghlee area had lead flashing from their windows either stolen or tampered with.
- Between 22 - 27 June, three lorry batteries were stolen from vehicles in Clippens Yard, Straiton, and two from a yard in the Nivensknowe area.
- Early in the morning of 25 June, a 16 year old male stole a copper water tank from a garden in the Mayburn area before hiding it in nearby woods. The male has been charged and reported and the tank recovered.

If any person has any information about the incident(s) listed above or indeed any other issue please contact your Community Officer or Loanhead Police Station. : 01314400506 or Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111PC 4574E Gillian Lumley

Community Officer Loanhead

E-mail: EDivCBOPKGroup@lbp.pnn.police.uk

P.C Taylor was asked for advice on how people deal with Unsociable neighbours, P.C Taylor advised that it depended on the complaint, but phoning Loanhead Police Station and speaking with your community officer could help.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

MEMORIAL PARK	<u>No Change</u>	Ongoing- 2007
No Change		
PONY STATUE	<u>No Change</u>	June 2010
C.C. and local Cllr.s. need to get area tidied up and lighting as promised. Action; Will speak to Cllrs.		
RELIEF ROAD	<u>Change</u>	
Planning application has been received from developers changing an area of land from industrial to residential development. Hopefully this will speed up work on the 'relief road'		
OVERHANGING TREES OVER ROAD SIGNS;	<u>No Change</u>	Sept 2010
Chair and Secretary still to have a walkabout will be done this month.		
LEAKING SEWER	<u>No Change</u>	
Scottish Water No Update		
NEW DEVELOPMENT at Straiton Park etc...	<u>Change</u>	Ongoing- 2008
No communications from Asda. Chair added Asda were supposed to come 3-4mths ago to our meeting, no-one from Asda has attended any of our meetings. How do you get a job, application form? No-one knows, Building will be open before someone knows anything. Unless you are in the area of the recruitment you would not know about it. Very disappointed no-one has made an appearance. Three of the buildings at Straiton Retail Park had had a face-lift, this is a very welcoming		
Fire Hydrants Letter sent but had been bounced back. Chair will check details		
John Chant Centre		August 2010
Back seat until we see how things pan out		
School Lets		April 2011
No further update		
ROAD GULLEY'S		
Many blocked; Water still ponding outside 5 Hawthornden Gardens, Chair added this has to be addressed, Contact to be made to Ricky Moffat		

Clerk Street

Buckets;

Community Council member asked if the buckets which are situated in Clerk Street at the bus stops could be fastened to the ground as they are being removed daily and thrown onto the road.

Short Cut; George V Park

Areas are dangerous and it is likely someone could get hurt. 2a George Drive, Site visit with Councillors to be arranged as site being used as short cut to King

WALL AT REAR OF ST MARGARET'S CHAPEL

No Change

Ongoing- 2008

No update from Cllr. Thompson; C.C will try to make contact with Y.T.S.

19 Clerk St

No Change

Sept 2009

Matter is being dealt with, take time.

Double Yellow Lines

Feb 2011

No works carried out.

E-mail reminder to Ricky Moffat

PLANNING; Applications pertaining to our area were read out there was no contentious issue.

11/00459/DPP; 1A Straiton Mains Loanhead; Formation of window openings and installation of shop window

11/00460/ADV; 1A Straiton Mains Loanhead; Display of internally illuminated internal window signage and window graphics

11/00461/ADV; Unit 2B 13 Straiton Mains, Loanhead; Express Advertisemnet Consent

Application documents to be checked on these applications

CORRESPONDENCE;

Midlothian Council; June Minutes

Midlothian Council; Midlothian News

Midlothian Council; Letter to Chair referring to letter from community Council objection to Application for variation of premises licence; Gaffers 93 Clerk St; and details of time and date application will be considered so as Chair or representative could attend.

Chair did not attend this as he felt the letter was suffice.

Midlothian Council; Application for provisional premises licence; Asda store former Dansco Dairy Loanhead

Spokes; Bulletin 110 Summer 2011

Nature Of Scotland;

A.O.C.B

Memorial ; Chair to check with Ross that commemorative memorial is properly fixed to plinth. If work is needed the C.C offered to pay for this.

Mayburn House; Concern was raised about the dis-repair of Mayburn House, Chair added it had been lying empty for a long time and had been targeted by vandals and thieves. Harry suggested the C.C contact, the Church of Scotland to find out it's plans.

Loanhead Twinning Association;

- New members Welcome

Next meeting; 9th August 2011 at 7.30pm Loanhead Ex-Serviceman's Club