

**Minutes of the Loanhead & District Community Council Meeting  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7.000 pm, Loanhead Library.**

**In attendance:** Charles Hamilton, Pat Kenny, Ben Shore, Ruth Stephen, Norman Scott, Peter Frame, Adam Armit, David Temple, Daya Feldwick, Gina Temple, Jack Aitchison, Norma Bews, Dorothy Rigg, John Rigg, Councillor Pauline Winchester, Paul Mephram, PC Graham Black and Lynne Bruse (Scottish Fire & Rescue Service).

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PC Black gave the police report for December 83 recorded crimes, 34 solved and 245 calls to police. The full report is attached at the end of these minutes. However, he highlighted a “hate crime” which had taken place at MacDonalds restaurant at Straiton. Congestion on Fountain Place was discussed again, particularly the new illuminated sign that the dental partnership had erected at the end of the lane which is causing an obstruction for vehicles exiting the lane. This does not appear to have planning permission. PC Black said that as parking infringements had been decriminalised, police have no power to act. The consensus of opinion was that there would be a serious accident here if nothing is done about the inconsiderate parking on double yellow lines and pavements.

1. **Apologies** – John Thomson, Ben Shore and Annabel Hamilton.
2. **Minutes of previous meeting** were approved proposed by Charles Hamilton, seconded by Norman Scott.
3. **Matters Arising:**
  - The poster design was circulated and any corrections/omissions should be emailed to Gina to incorporate before this goes to print.
4. **Planning Applications**
  - Response from Planning re Mayburn House (19/00987/DPP) the commuted sum will be put towards costs of social housing e.g. the current housebuilding on the former Library HQ site. This may not necessarily go before the Planning Committee again, as the design has already been modified.

**19/00934/DPP** 2 December 2019

Mr Ross Brinson, Intrepidus Outdoors Ltd, 2 Commercial Street, Edinburgh EH6 6LF. Erection of replacement light industrial (class 4) building at Land at Unit 5, Eldin Industrial Estate, Loanhead,  
*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer: Graeme King 0131 271 3332*

**19/00997/DPP** 6 December 2019

Mr Gordon Crawford, Harderwijk Developments Ltd, Harderwijk House, 13 Edgefield Industrial Estate, Loanhead. Erection of ancillary storage building at Unit 13A, Edgefield Industrial Estate, Loanhead,  
*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer:*

**19/01003/DPP** 5 December 2019

Mr James Ewen, Ewen Property, 29 Stafford Street, Edinburgh, EH3 7BJ. Subdivision of existing dwellinghouse to form two flatted dwellings and associated extension and external alterations at 33 Mayburn Terrace, Loanhead, EH20 9EH,  
*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer:*

**19/01012/WTT**

9 December 2019

Mrs Rosemary Buchanan, 2 Braeside Road, Loanhead, EH20 9SF.

Felling of tree within Mavisbank conservation area at 2 Braeside Road, Loanhead,  
*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer:*

**19/01026/S42**

12 December 2019

Peel Land and Property Investments Plc, Peel Dome, The Trafford Centre, Manchester

Section 42 application to amend condition 7 of planning permission 05/00127/FUL as amended by condition 2 of planning permission 07/00575/FUL (to allow the sale of convenience goods from unit 13 Straiton Mains) at The Peel Centre, Straiton Road, Loanhead

*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer: Mhairi-Anne Cowie 0131 271 3308*

**19/01034/ADV** 18 December 2019

Mrs Sara Humphries, Greggs plc, B3 Mucklestone Business Centre, Eccleshall Road, Mucklestone  
Display of illuminated and non illuminated signage at Land South of 23 Straiton Mains, Loanhead, ,

*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer: Mhairi-Anne Cowie 0131 271 3308*

**19/01035/DPP** 18 December 2019

Mrs Sara Humphries, Greggs plc, B3 Mucklestone Business Centre, Eccleshall Road, Mucklestone  
Installation of two air conditioning units and two extract grills at Land South of 23 Straiton Mains, Loanhead, ,

*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer: Mhairi-Anne Cowie 0131 271 3308*

**20/00002/DPP** 8 January 2020

H.A. and Co Developments Ltd, Polton Hall Industrial Estate, Polton, EH18 1BW. Change of use from shop (class 1) to 3 dwellinghouses (class 9) and associated external alterations at 16 George Terrace, Loanhead, EH20 9JZ

*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer:*

### **Planning within the wider area – for information only**

**19/00961/DPP** 2 December 2019

Midlothian Council, Midlothian House, 40-46 Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith. Erection of building to provide additional primary school accommodation and formation of MUGA at Woodburn Primary School, 5 Cousland Road, Dalkeith, EH22 2PS,

*Ward: Dalkeith Case Officer: Ms Whitney Lindsay 0131 271 3315*

**19/01018/PPP** 11 December 2019

Mrs Susan Arbuckle, Midlothian Council, Please Refer to Agent,,  
Application for planning permission in principle for redevelopment of existing snowsports centre to include additional leisure facilities, tourist accommodation, hotel, function suite, ancillary retail and restaurant, formation of access road and car parking (this application is accompanied by an environmental impact assessment report submitted under the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment)(Scotland) Regulations 2017 at Midlothian Snow Sports Centre, Biggar Road, Edinburgh, EH10 7DU

*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer: Joyce Learmonth 0131 271 3311*

**19/01019/DPP** 11 December 2019

Mrs Pauline Mills, Taylor Wimpey/Hallam Land, 1 Masterton Park, South Castle Drive, Dunfermline

Erection of 31 dwellinghouses; formation of access roads and car parking and associated works at Land North of Seafield Road, Bilston, Roslin

*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer:*

**19/00932/DPP** 16 December 2019

Mr Andrew Stoddart, Yarrow Farmhouse, Stenton, EH42 1QT. Importation of top soil and regrading of land at Land At Loanhead Farm, Lasswade, ,

*Ward: Bonnyrigg Case Officer: Graeme King 0131 271 3332*

**19/00992/MSC** 3 January 2020

Shawfair LLP, Silvermills Court, 27 Henderson Place Lane, Edinburgh. Formation of access road, SUDS basin and associated works (approval of matters specified in conditions 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 of planning permission 17/00650/S42) at Shawfair Development Area, Land Bounded By The A720, The Wisp and Old Dalkeith Road, Millerhill, Dalkeith, ,

*Ward: Dalkeith Case Officer:*

**19/01016/DPP** 19 December 2019

Mr Darren Imrie, Midlothian Council, Midlothian House, 40-46 Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith  
Erection of 44 dwellings; formation of access roads, car parking and associated works at Former Site of Dalkeith High School, Newmills Road, Dalkeith, ,

*Ward: Dalkeith Case Officer: Duncan Robertson 0131 271 3317*

**19/01024/DPP** 19 December 2019

Mr Darren Imrie, Midlothian Council, Midlothian House, 40-46 Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith  
Erection of 40 extra care flatted dwellings and 8 extra care bungalows; formation of access road, car parking and associated works at Former Site of Dalkeith High School, Newmills Road, Dalkeith, ,

*Ward: Dalkeith Case Officer: Duncan Robertson 0131 271 3317*

**19/01039/PPP** 19 December 2019

Mrs Pauline Mills, Taylor Wimpey/Hallam Land, 1 Masterton Park, South Castle Drive, Dunfermline  
Application for planning permission in principle for residential access and associated works at Land North of Seafield Road, Bilston, Roslin,

*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer:*

**19/01044/DPP** 20 December 2019

Mr and Mrs M and J Denholm, 52 Rullion Road, Penicuik, EH26 9HX. Erection of two dwelling houses; 2 detached garages; formation of access and associated works at Land At Seafield House, Bilston, Roslin, ,

*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer:*

**19/01059/DPP** 24 December 2019

Mr Sandy MacLennan, Acrewood Nurseries, Seafield Cottage, Seafield Moor Road, Bilston

Extension to nursery at Seafield Cottage, Bilston, Roslin, EH25 9RQ,

*Ward: Midlothian West Case Officer:*

The Federation are holding a Planning information day on 25/2/20 from 1-4 pm Dalkeith Arts Centre which will look at the planning framework, Local Place Plans and the new RAMPs software for accessing planning applications, sign up via Eventbrite.

## **5. Correspondence**

- Pat Kenny introduced Lynne Bruce, from Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, based at Dalkeith Fire Station. Her remit is to encourage fire prevention, e.g. smoke alarms, visits by fire service to vulnerable homes to ensure they have working smoke alarms and they are in the correct positions. They also aim to go into schools to educate young people on the dangers of setting fires and will target areas of fire related anti-social behaviour working closely with the police and other agencies.
- Poppy Scotland “bus” pass information to Gala Committee who might be interested in having this along on Children’s Day.

## **6. Any other competent business**

- The National Lottery drop in funding surgery at the Link on Saturday 15 February was noted,
- Daya raised the “Declaration of Kinlochart” and asked if this Community Council would sign up to it. As we have not received the document yet, it will be discussed at the February meeting first.
- There has been no further update on street names for the new estates.
- Pat suggested that we need a smaller group of the committee to look at planning matters and to attend the various planning training – no volunteers.
- Jack suggested arranging a visit to the Police Communication Centre in Bilston.
- The Gala Committee have decided to cut the fancy dress parade from the programme due to lack of support to assist with organisation. Pat said that most local organisations in Loanhead are struggling for volunteers, or existing members were getting older and we will write to the committee to ask if the Community Council could help in any way.

## **7. Date of next Meeting: 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 7.00 pm in Loanhead Library.**



## Criminal Activity November 2019



### Incidents of Note

During the month of December 2019 in the beat areas of Loanhead & District there were 83 recorded crimes reported, of which 34 were solved. During this time period there were 245 calls to police.

- About 9pm on 1/12/19 a male was seen to be acting suspiciously within a garden at Paradykes Avenue. Police attended however were unable to trace the male and no crimes were reported.
- Between 9.30pm on the 1/12/19 and 5.45am on the 2/12/19 a shed at Burnbank Grove was broken into and a pedal cycle stolen from within. Police enquiries are currently ongoing.
- Between 10pm on the 1/12/19 and 7am on the 2/12/19 a lorry parked overnight at Dryden Terrace had fuel stolen from within. Police enquiries have been met with a negative result.
- About 8.20pm on the 3/12/19 an 18 year old female was issued with a Recorded Police Warning at Straiton Retail Park for being in possession of a controlled substance.
- On the 4/12/19 between 1030 and 1150am a property at The Loan was broken into. Police enquiries are ongoing.
- On the 6/12/19 at McKinley Terrace about 6pm a fight was reported to Police. Two males were thereafter traced and issued with Fixed Penalty Tickets.
- On the 13/12/19 about 1.45am at Straiton Retail Park, a 30 year old male was arrested and held for court following drug driving.
- About 9.45pm on the 13/12/19 at Ashgrove Gardens, a 39 year old male was arrested and held for court having been drug driving and being in possession of offensive weapons.
- On the 14/12/19 about 8.45pm at Sainsburys, Straiton Retail Park, a 25 year old male was arrested and charged for committing a hate crime.
- About 10.30pm on the 19/12/19 at Academy Lane, a male in a silver Ford Fiesta was seen to smash the windows of a parked red Nissan Micra. Police enquiries are ongoing.
- On the 23/12/19 about 5pm at Straiton Retail Park, a female was hit by a passing vehicle. Police enquiries are ongoing.
- On the 24/12/19 at Straiton Retail Park a vehicle collided with 7 parked vehicles. Police enquiries are ongoing.
- Sometime between 2pm on the 24/12/19 and 2.30pm on the 28/12/19 a property at Mayflower Gardens was broken into. This was followed by a report of an attempted break in to another property in the area on the 26/12/19. Police enquiries are ongoing.
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**If any person has any information about the incident(s) listed above, or indeed any other crime, please contact your Community Police Officer's PC Graham Black and Alan Forbes via 101 or email:**  
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