

‘LOANHEAD AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL
’MINUTES MEETING HELD ON 12TH FEBRUARY 2013
7.30PM IN EX-SERVICEMEN’S CLUB

Opening

The Chair welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending tonight’s meeting

Present

P.Kenny (Chairman), H. Fisher (Treasurer), J. Peacock (Secretary), E. Veitch, C. Hamilton, A. Hamilton
J. Thomson, Sandra Castle (Asda) P C Lumley (Community Officer L&B Police), John Dryden (Community
Inspector Penicuik/Bonnyrigg/Loanhead), Campbell Hutcheson (Press), Bob Stewart, Peter Collins, (M.O.P),
Peter Frame (MYFC)

Apologies

Matt Danes

Police Report; A full detailed statistic report was made available.

Incidents of notes

- About 7pm on 14 January, 2 youths attempted to steal a Vespa scooter, which was parked outside Costa Coffee, Straiton Retail Park, Straiton.

- Between 4.50pm and 8.45pm on 16 January, a person has attempted to steal a motorcycle owned by an employee of IKEA, which was chained at the entrance to IKEA.

- Overnight 16 - 17 January, 150 litres of diesel were stolen from the fuel tank of a bus parked within the premises of Duddingston Private Hire, Eldin Industrial Estate, Loanhead.

- At 6am on 30 January a male was charged with driving a motor vehicle without valid insurance on Wadingburn Road and Linden Place, Loanhead. He was issued a fixed penalty ticket for same.

- About 6.30pm on 30 January, person(s) unknown have set light to the CCTV pole in Straiton Park & Ride.

- Between 11.45am and 1.45pm on 31 January a red and grey coloured Takauchi mini excavator and trailer used to transport it were stolen whilst left unattended on Old Pentland Road, Loanhead.

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.

PC 4574E Gillian Lumley

Community Officer Loanhead

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

Telephone Loanhead Police Station: 01314400506 or Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111

Chair asked if help and advice was given to the company getting diesel stolen; PC Lumley said all appropriate advice had been given

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th January 2013 having been distributed and read, were approved;

Proposed by; C.Hamilton **Seconded by;** P.Collins

Matters Arising From Previous Minutes

Memorial Park; No update on funding application. Hopefully have news soon	Ongoing 2007
Pony Statue; No change	June 2010
Overhanging Trees; Specific areas of concern to be noted and will be dealt with	Ongoing
New Development; @ <i>Straiton Retail Park</i> ; 'Kevin Keigher' will attend our next meeting, areas of concern were raised and will be sent to Kevin so he can have the relevant answers	Ongoing 2008
Football Pitches; (<i>all parks</i>); Peter Frame updated LDCC on work to the West End Park; M/C had worked on the drainage of the park and this has shown an improvement to the condition of the pitch.	November 2012
Dryden Terrace/Pentland Road; <i>Update by PC Gill Lumley</i> ; L&B Police have liaised with M/C and signage has now been corrected. Nearby residents and Employers will receive a letter explaining the road is for buses and lone motorcyclists only. The Police will educate motorists for a short time and thereafter introduce the appropriate penalties	September 2012
Relief Road; Tree felling has been taking place	Ongoing
Railway Walkway; Dog bins not being emptied enough	November 2012
19 Clerk Street; Enforcement notice remains on property	September 2009
2A George Drive; No Change	
Advertisements/Billboards; Only advertisement units and billboards on land owners site remain	May 2012
Ikea Vehicle access; Manager of Ikea to be contacted to see about improving access	Nov 2011
Loanhead Miners; Alan Turpie(license board) to be reminded about copy of application	
Sutherland House; Peter updated LDCC that a meeting had taken place and there was some progress but nothing to minute at present	Ongoing

Social Night; In abeyance	Dec 2012
Bayne Memorial; Chair offered to Chair a meeting. Peter informed LDCC that they were hoping to get parents and children together in the better weather to help tidy area help to MYFCC when they get parents and helpers to cle	December 2011
12/00819/ADV; Planning Application for 3 freestanding illuminated totem signs; no time for LDCC to make comment; application was granted 21 st January; application was received 17 th December; application was read until Januarys meeting and consent was granted 1 week later.	
Mavisbank Trust; Letter of support from LDCC was sent to Mavisbank Trust to help secure funding	
<u>Removal of planning conditions 4 and 5 of planning permission 08/00680/ful (permanent use of land for waste transfer station, change of use of agricultural land to industrial use and erection of ancillary buildings)(part retrospective) to allow operations to continue without the erection of the angled profiled metal canopy referred to in said conditions.</u> Eldin Industrial Estate Edgefield Road Loanhead Comment was made and read.	

Planning; Applications pertaining to our area were read out. There was no contentious issue.

A.O.C.B.

Loanhead Leisure Centre; Steam Room; The steam room at present is out of order, users have been told this will not be fixed until the next financial year and even then it may have to wait to be fixed. Cllr. Andrew Coventry will look into this

Asda; New Manager; Mark replace Andrew Midgley

Correspondence

Midlothian Council; Grant application

Midlothian Council; Annual Open Meeting; Midlothian Access;

Midlothian Council; Licensing; application Stewart Brewing LTD

Zurich; Insurance

ThankYou; From Loanhead Childrens Gala Day and Loanhead Primary School for the donation

The Chair informed LDCC on the sad news of the passing of Community Councillor Michael Harkness, a Minutes silence followed.