

**LOANHEAD AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES MEETING HELD ON 10TH SEPTEMBER 2013
7.30PM IN EX-SERVICEMEN'S CLUB**

Opening

The Chair thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting.

P. Kenny (Chairman), J. Peacock (Secretary), C.Hamilton, A.Hamilton, E. Veitch, Peter Collins, Peter Frame, Matt Danes, J. Thomson, Cllr. Andrew Coventry (M/C), PC Lumley (Loanhead Community Officer L&B Police) M.O.P. x 5

Apologies

H. Fisher (Treasurer),

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

• Incidents of note

- In the early hours of 9 August, Boots The Chemist, Straiton Retail Park, was broken into and a large amount of property was stolen from a secure stock cage.
- Overnight 9-10 August, a blue coloured BMX Muddy Fox bike was stolen from a bike shed at a house in Dalum Grove, Loanhead
- Overnight 10-11 August an orange coloured BMX HARO ZX20 was stolen from the communal stairwell at flats in Clerk Street, Loanhead.
- Overnight 10-11 August, a garden hut in a back garden in Paradykes Avenue, Loanhead was broken into and a Flymo garden strimmer and grey GT Aggressor mountain bike were stolen.
- In the evening of 12 August, a house in Lang Loan, Loanhead was broken into and an HP Laptop was stolen.
- In the evening on 18 August, an 18-year-old female was assaulted in McNeill Terrace, Loanhead. A positive line of enquiry is being made by police into this incident
- On the afternoon of 18 August, two males were involved in a theft of cable from Watson and Lyall, Dryden Road, Bilston Glen Industrial Estate, Loanhead. One male has climbed over the perimeter fence of and stole a quantity of armoured cable from within the firm's yard. The cable was passed through the fence to another male who was involved before both males made off.
- Overnight 22-23 August, a bothy owned by Midlothian Council located in the grounds of Loanhead Cemetery, Church Street, Loanhead has been broken into and a petrol strimmer has been stolen.
- Overnight 28-29 August, person(s) unknown have stolen a quantity of insulation boards from the building site at the old Loanhead Hospital.
- A 21 year old male has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal for alleged drugs possession in McNeill Terrace, Loanhead on 29 August.
- A 46 year old male has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal for various alleged driving offences, including dangerous driving and drink driving, committed between Penicuik and Loanhead on 31 August.

Dryden Terrace/Pentland Road; Comment was made to P.C Lumley about vehicles continuing to use this road. Chair added that Cllrs. should be asking all residents in Loanhead if they want the road open or closed.

Burghlee Park; Question was asked about cars parking at an area next to football field. P.C. Lumley said as long as cars were not parked on the grass it was not an offence.

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 4574 Gillian Lumley Community Officer Loanhead E-mail:

LothianScotBordersPenicuikCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk Telephone Loanhead Police Station: 01314400506 or Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 13^h August 2013 having been distributed and read, were approved;

Proposed by; C.Hamilton Seconded by; E. Veitch

Matters Arising From Previous Minutes

Memorial Park; Works to start Spring 2014;	Ongoing 2007
Pony Statue; Area has been discussed with Cllr.Thompson	June 2010
Overhanging Trees; Contact M/C with specific areas of concern to be noted and will be dealt with	Ongoing
New Development; E-mail was sent to Kevin Keigher (property manager Peel Holdings) asking for an update with his assessment of future progress and development? No reply has been received.	Ongoing 2008
Football Pitches; Burghlee and King George Parks both had top soil treated- parks should be ready for the season.	November 2012
Dryden Terrace/Pentland Road; Proper debate needs to be done. Decision should be made to open or close the road to all traffic. Patrolling is difficult for the police as they cannot monitor it 24/7. Cllr. Coventry will raise this again	September 2012
Relief Road; Works have started on the road	Ongoing
19 Clerk Street; Enforcement notice remains on property; L.D.C.C. not happy that nothing has been done to rectify windows. Cllr. Thompson has been asked to make enquiries; No update from Cllr. Thompson	September 2009
Ikea Vehicle access; No further update on changes to the access.	March 2013
Loanhead Miners; No update from Cllr. Thompson appointment with Alan Turpie to be made to discuss license application	September 2012
Sutherland House; No further update; stalemate	Ongoing 2012
Social Night; In abeyance	Dec 2012
Loanhead Leisure Steam room, open; Jacuzzi broken	March 2013
Speed Limit - Knivensknowe/Bilston, /Bilston Glen/Bilston 40mph. suggested change to 30mph; This has been discussed with Cllr Thompson. Roads to be contacted. No further update	March 2012
Caleco; E-mail from Erika read. Fence requires some alteration as it is not approved, part of the fence is too close to the mulit user path and needs to be located.An appointment to view the site would have to be obtained from Caleco.	May 2013
Clerk Street; Problem of parking in Clerk St. was discussed with Cllr. Thompson, no further update	March 2013
Asda; Sandra offered facilities at Asda for our meetings. Chair will visit facilities	March 2013
13/00508/DPP; 33 Mayburn Terr; Sub division of dwellinghouse to form 3 flatted dwellings; commented was made; application has been refused	
Mayburn House; E-mail from L.D.C.C. to M/C was read. Reply from Cllr. Thompson was read .Neighbours are still concerned at the extensive works being carried out and hope the Council are monitoring the situation very closely. A copping stone on a pillar near the car park is causing concern as it is very unstable. Dogs are also being allowed to foul and run free. C.C. will e-mail M/C Planning dept. Cllr. Coventry will also make enquiries	August 2013
School Coaches; E-mail from C.C. to M/C was read, no reply has been received. M.O.P. had received a reply from Cllr. Imrie/John Blair; stating everything had been done according to EU Directives. Reply to be chased up.	August 2013

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

13/00564/DPP; Erection of retail building and formation of associated car parking and service yard; land 90m south west of asda petrol filling station; Mat will update on this proposal.

Correspondence;

Mavisbank Community Meeting; E-mail from Chris Lewis inviting L.D.C.C. to attend a meeting on 25th September to discuss setting up 'Mavisbank Community Forum'

Elected Members; Invited to meet and discuss C.C business; Owen and Andrew replied but no response from Cllr. Imrie; another meeting to be organised

Loanhead Miners Welfare; Confirmation from planning; proposed doors will lead onto 'beer garden'

MELDAP; September 2013 Newsletter

Midlothian Council; Review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils(1976); comments can be made by any interested person or body by ; writing to the Chief Executive. M/C; via e-mail

chief.exec@midlothian.gov.uk or via Survey Monkey

www.surveymonkey.com/s/NoticeofreviewCommCouncilSchemeMidlothian

Consultation closes 12noon 29th November 2013

Midlothian Council; Green Dog Walkers Launch; Dalkeith Arts Centre, Thursday 19th Sept 2013 7pm

L.C.D.A.; Letter asking for a donation towards this year's community firework display. £100 was agreed by the C.C.

AMS ASS LTD; Notification of field drainage works

Loanhead Childrens Gala Day Ass. A.G.M. 26TH September 2013 7.30pm;

A.O.C.B.

Loanhead Community Development Association; Street Fair Saturday 17th August 10am-1pm

Loanhead Twinning Association;

- New members Welcome

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Next meeting; 8th October 2013