

LOANHEAD & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Draft** Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2018 in Loanhead Library.

Pat Kenny welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**In attendance:** Pat Kenny, Charles Hamilton, Annabel Hamilton, Peter Frame, Daya Feldwick, Cllr Pauline Winchester, Norma Bews, Jack Aitchison, Gina Temple, Grant Stanley and PC Graham Black.

Gina Temple reported that there had been a phishing email sent from the LDCC16 account. She had contacted BT and has changed the password.

**Police Report:** PC Black reported that there were 57 recorded crimes in January, 21 solved, and 251 calls to the police. The full crime report is appended to these Minutes.

1. **Apologies:** Ben shore, John Thomson.
2. **Minutes of previous meeting** were approved – proposer Annabel Hamilton, seconder Peter Frame.
3. **Matters Arising**
  - **Mayburn House** and its grounds – Pauline Winchester reported that the Planning Department are still active on this case, but she had no information that could be made public at this time.
  - The letter to the Manager of the Link has been sent requesting an update for the April meeting.

**4. Planning: Applications:**

**18/00065/DPP** – We submitted an objection to this planned vehicle destruction yard at 17-29 Engine Road, Loanhead. An objection from a local resident was also noted.

**18/00067/DPP** 12 February 2018

Miss Dennis, McLagan Investments, ASDA House, Southbank, Great Wilson Street  
Erection of ancillary building at Asda, New Pentland, Loanhead, EH20 9NZ

*Ward: Midlothian West*

*Case Officer: Mhairi-Anne Cowie 0131 271 3308*

**18/00111/WTT** 14 February 2018

Mr Jonathan Smith, 5 Hoggan Way, Loanhead, EH20 9DG  
Pruning of trees protected by Tree Preservation Order 1 of 1999  
at Woodland To Rear Of 5 Hoggan Way, Loanhead

*Ward: Midlothian West*

*Case Officer: Ms Ellie Mills 0131 270 6763*

**18/00134/DPP** 27 February 2018

Sainsburys Supermarkets Ltd c/o WYG, The Cube, 45 Leith Street, Edinburgh  
Extension to building and erection of fence at Sainsburys Supermarket, Straiton Mains, Loanhead, EH20 9PW,

*Ward: Midlothian West*

*Case Officer: Mhairi-Anne Cowie 0131 271 3308*

**18/00060/MSC** 6 March 2018

BDW Trading Ltd, C/o EMA Architects  
Residential development (approval of matters specified in conditions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 of planning permission 15/00712/DPP)  
at Land At Paradykes Primary School, Mayburn Walk, Loanhead

*Ward: Midlothian West*

*Case Officer:*

**18/00138/DPP** 5 March 2018

Mrs Sara Pettigrew, 46 Polton Road, Loanhead, EH20 9BZ  
Extension to dwellinghouse at 46 Polton Road, Loanhead, EH20 9BZ

*Ward: Midlothian West*

*Case Officer: Ingrid Forteach 0131 271 3316*

**18/00156/PPP**

8 March 2018

Mrs Louise Whitehouse, Triple Properties, 14 Dovecot Park, Edinburgh, EH14 2LN  
Application for planning permission in principle for the erection of 3 dwellinghouses  
at 24 Hawthorn Gardens, Loanhead, EH20 9EG

*Ward: Midlothian West*

*Case Officer: Eplanning Officer*

Pat Kenny to get more information on the Asda application 18/00067/DPP, the Sainsbury's building 18/00134/DPP, and find out what the conditions were for 18/00060/MS the Paradykes Residential Site and try to get more information on the proposal for 3 dwelling houses at Hawthorn Gardens 18/00156/DPP.

## **5. Correspondence**

- Scottish Water is running a six month long consultation on how to shape services and spending priorities over the next 25 years. As key stakeholders we are asked to consider three key ambitions which they propose will underpin Scottish Water's activities.
  - a. Delivering a consistently leading customer experience.
  - b. Keeping customer prices low by driving further innovation and efficiency through smart investment choices.
  - c. Increase the reliability, resilience and sustainability of services to new and emerging challenges. Full details are set out in the publication – Shaping the Future' which highlights how Scottish Water aims to focus on delivering high quality, great tasting drinking water, manage and treat waste water, reduce rainwater entering sewers and protect the environment. The consultation can be completed online at [www.yourwater.scot](http://www.yourwater.scot) up until August.
- Sustrans Community Links Grant Funding programme are inviting applications for communities to improve cycling and walking infrastructure in their areas from small scale interventions to multi million pounds projects. Applications can be made through the Sustrans application portal.
- Email from Malcolm Spaven re two planning applications **18/00139/S50** 28 February 2018 Albert Muckley, Ironside Farrar Limited, 111 McDonald Road, Edinburgh, EH7 4NW  
Proposal of application notice for residential development with associated access, open space and associated works at Land North West Of Moat View, Roslin This is site Hs19 in the MLDP. Since it's a Proposal of Application Notice they don't appear to have put the details up on the planning website yet. The MLDP says it will deliver 75 houses up to 2024 and another 185 after that.  
**18/00144/SCR** 28 February 2018 Jacqueline Forbes, Jacqueline Forbes Consulting, 36 Brackenbrae Avenue, Bishopbriggs, Glasgow EIA Screening Opinion for residential development of approximately 65 residential units at Land South East Of Tynewater Primary School, Crichton Road, Pathhead This is site h59 in the MLDP. It's a site that was allocated in the 2008 Local Plan for 35 houses but here they are already talking about 65.
- Email Planning Aid Scotland (PAS) offer services to Community Councils: free and impartial planning advice service, free information sheets about the Scottish planning system, aimed at members of the public and community groups, Community Council training on a local authority basis, one-off talks to Community Councils and assistance with community led plans.
- Email from Lynn Sharp, Community Councils Scotland, re the Scottish Parliament's Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee to share information about their inquiry into the impact of bank closures. The Committee wants to hear from as many people as possible (both as members of a community council, as a business owner or as an individual). They are keen to find out how branch closures have impacted communities at a local level. The questionnaire is available at <http://parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/currentcommittees/107960.aspx>. The community councils web site is [www.communitycouncils.scot](http://www.communitycouncils.scot) and has up to date information on news, events, guidance and grants related to community councils.

- Email from Emma Hay, Planning Officer, Education, Communities and Economy Midlothian which is available on the Council's web site [https://www.midlothian.gov.uk/info/205/planning\\_policy/536/draft\\_green\\_network\\_supplementary\\_guidance](https://www.midlothian.gov.uk/info/205/planning_policy/536/draft_green_network_supplementary_guidance), in hard copy at Fairfield House reception and in all Midlothian libraries. The six week consultation period started 19<sup>th</sup> February and will finish on 3<sup>rd</sup> April.
  - Cala Homes are advertising 2018 Cala Community Bursary - poster to go in the noticeboard.
- 6. Any other competent business**
- Jack Aitchison is conducting a survey for the Health Board on the number of defibrillators in the area. So far he has found there are 2 in the Leisure Centre, 1 in Scotmid store, 1 in Feet & Co, 1 in the Miner's Welfare Club. He is looking for any other locations within the town. It was suggested he put an advert in the Advertiser.
  - Social Housing – Pauline Winchester reported that there is plenty of money in the Council budget to build social housing and it plans to build 750 new houses per year in Midlothian.
  - Bus Shelter at Muirfield Gardens needs to be cleaned and the waste bin put outside the shelter. PW
  - Water leak at top of Herd Terrace needs to be reported. PW
  - A number of street l lights are out in Fountain Place/Clerk Street. GT
  - The janitor of Paradykes School had done a great job of clearing the snow for the school reopening.
  - There is another container at the rear of the Old Library HQ site, Pat Kenny to investigate. PK
- 7. Date of next meeting** 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018.



**CRIMINAL ACTIVITY FEBRUARY 2017**  
**BEAT AREAS MW01 AND MW03 – LOANHEAD &**  
**DISTRICT**



During the month of February in the beat areas of Loanhead & District there were 57 recorded crimes reported, of which 21 were solved. During this time period there were 251 calls to police.

**Incidents of Note**

- About 4.05pm on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February a male and female were stopped by police on Inveravon Road, Loanhead and searched under the Misuse of Drugs act. A 27 year old female and a 48 year old male were both found in possession of cannabis.
- About 1pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February a male was within the car park at Costco, Loanhead trying to sell televisions from a motor vehicle.
- About 5.15pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February a 14 year old female was found at Straiton Retail Park under the influence of alcohol. She was conveyed home by police and left in the care of her parents.
- About 10.45pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February police were informed that a number of cars were within IKEA car park and performing skids on the icy conditions. Police attended and no trace of any offending vehicles.
- About 6.20pm on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February a large group of youths were reported to be causing annoyance at the shop on McNeill Avenue, Loanhead. The youths had made off prior to police arrival.
- About 3am on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February police stopped a car on the Loan, Loanhead due to its manner of driving. A 27 year old male was subsequently arrested for drink driving. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.
- About 4.40pm on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February a report was made to police regarding a large group of youths congregating on Muirfield Gardens and causing a nuisance. Police attended with no trace of the youths.

- About 7.15pm on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February a group of youths were seen to throw a glass bottle at the fire exit door at Nandos Restaurant, Loanhead before making off on foot.
- About 11.30am on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February it was discovered that 2 number plates had been stolen overnight from a van parked on Harnes Court, Loanhead.
- About 2.20pm on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February it was reported that a garden shed on McNeill Avenue, Loanhead, had its roof damaged.
- About 7.30pm on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February a window at a property on George Drive, Loanhead was broken by a group of youths.
- About 4.15am on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February 3 industrial bins were deliberately set on fire whilst at the rear of Matalan, Straiton Retail Park, Loanhead.
- About 3pm on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February a report was made to police regarding two off road motorcycles being driven on Hawthorn Gardens, Loanhead. Both culprits were described as male wearing white helmets with no number plates on either motorcycle.
- Overnight on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February a business premises under construction at Straiton Retail Park, Loanhead, was broken into and a quantity of items stolen from within.
- About 1.50am on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February police stopped a car at McDonalds, Straiton, Loanhead where the driver was found to have no driving licence and no insurance. A 20 year old male was cautioned and charged with a number of driving offences and will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal.
- About 12.30pm on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February police conducted a vehicle stop check on The Loan, Loanhead where a number of motorists were issued with tickets including not wearing a seatbelt, personal possession of cannabis and 2 tickets for not obeying a no entry sign.
- About 3.15pm on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February a report was made to police regarding youths fighting at Memorial Park, Loanhead. There was no trace of youths on police arrival.
- About 4pm on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February a report was made to police regarding youths congregating at the Viaduct, Loanhead and allegedly consuming alcohol. Police attended and traced 4 youths with no alcohol found.
- About 5.15pm on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February it was reported to police that a group of youths were seen to run over a number of cars on Mayburn Avenue, Loanhead. Police attended with no trace of any youths on the street and no damage to cars found.
- About 6.30pm on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February a report was made regarding youths vandalising a bus stop on the Loan, Loanhead. Police attended with no trace of the youths and no damage caused to the bus stop.
- About 8.55pm on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February a quantity of stones were thrown at a property on Mayburn Avenue, Loanhead.
- About 9am on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February it was discovered that a bus windscreen at Hunters Coaches, Loanhead had been smashed.
- About 7.25pm on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February a group of youths were seen attempting to set fire to a fence on McKinlay Terrace, Loanhead. Police attended with no trace of the youths.

**If any person has any information about the incident(s) listed above, or indeed any other crime, please contact your Community Policing Officer PC Graham Black via 101 or email:  
LothianScotBordersPenicuikCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk**