

# 'LOANHEAD AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL'

## MINUTES

### MEETING HELD ON 12<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2012, 7.30pm IN LOANHEAD EX-SERVICEMEN'S CLUB

**1. Present** P. Kenny (Chair), B. Hogg (Vice Chair), H. Fisher (Treasurer), J. Peacock (Secretary), C. Baxter, E. Veitch, A. Hamilton, C. Hamilton, Cllr. Russell Imrie (M/C), Cllr. Owen Thompson (M/C), Cllr. Andrew Coventry (M/C), PC Gill Lumley (Community Officer L&B Police), B. Stewart, Stuart Macdonald (M.O.P.) Campbell Hutcheson (press)

**2. Apologies** J. Thomson, Matt Davies, Mr. Dunlop (co-opted),

**3. Welcome** Chair welcomed everyone and introduced Campbell Hutcheson, a reporter for Midlothian Advertiser who is covering for Janet while she is covering East Lothian. The Chair commented on the full complement of Councillors

#### **4. PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2012 having been distributed, read, and were approved after the following amendments; Cllr Imrie was present. A.O.C.B. FIRE; last sentence should read it is illegal for companies to burn rubbish.

**Proposed by;** B. Hogg      **Seconded by;** H. Fisher

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

Incidents of note

- Overnight between the 6 and 7 May, attempts were made to force entry to One Store shop premises at Mayburn Avenue and Loanhead Mini Market in George Terrace. No entry was gained.
- Sometime between 7 - 17 May, a garage in Polton Road, Loanhead was broken into and a petrol strimmer and air compressor were stolen from within, further enquiries to be carried out.
- On the afternoon of 10 May, an 18 year old female stole a vehicle exhaust silencer which was left unattended in the yard of Leyland DAF, Pentland Ind Est, the female has been traced and charged with the offence.
- On the evening of 29 May, a 43 year old male stole £75 cash from behind the bar of the The Pentland Roadhouse, this male has been identified and charged with the offence.
- Overnight between 31 May and 1 June, 3 motor vehicles were vandalised by having an off-side window smashed, these vehicles were parked in Clerk Street, High Street and Polton Road. Due to the circumstances it is likely these were committed from a passing moving vehicle.  
PC 4574E Gillian Lumley

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

PC Lumley informed the CC that officers had been in touch with the owners of Ashgrove and that the property had been boarded up.

## **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

<b>MEMORIAL PARK</b>	<b><u>No Change</u></b>	<b>Ongoing- 2007</b>
No update		
<b>PONY STATUE</b>	<b><u>No Change</u></b>	<b>June 2010</b>
Rededication to be discussed with Cllrs.		
<b>RELIEF ROAD</b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>	
Cllr. Imrie had e-mailed an update to the C.C. which was read.		
<b><u>OVERHANGING TREES OVER ROAD SIGNS;</u></b>	<b><u>No Change</u></b>	<b><u>Sept 2010</u></b>
Locations have to be given		
<b>LEAKING SEWER</b>	<b><u>No Change</u></b>	
<b>Scottish Water</b> Recommendations seem to have worked		
<b>NEW DEVELOPMENT at Straiton Park etc...</b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>	<b>Ongoing- 2008</b>
Units are being refurbished. Some are being spilt into two as larger units are difficult to let. <b>Action</b> ; Cllrs. were asked to check the state of the car park and get an update on the site.		

### **First Buses**

Service will change at the end of the month; there will be no break in the service.

### **Dryden Terrace/Pentland Road**

Chair proposed, with the help of the advertiser; a survey to find out local views on opening this road.

### **Garage Clerk St.**

**Feb 2012**

There is still concern in the community about the state of this building especially with the recent stormy Cllr Cllr. Imrie had received a reply to his enquiry from Peter Arnsdorf which was read. A building warrant is required by the owners in order to demolish the building.

### **ParkView/Burghlee/**

### **Dryden Terrace/ Mckinlay Terrace;**

**May 2012**

Condition of roads and pavements to be highlighted.

<b>2AGeorge Drive; short cut; planning application</b>		
The Chair is to discuss other issues with planning officer Kingsley Drinkwater		
<b>Street Lights</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Feb 2012</b>
Fault seems to have been fixed.		
<b>19 Clerk St</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Sept 2009</b>
Matter is being dealt with, take time.		
<b>Railway Walkway</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Feb 2012</b>
Cllr Thompson had walked along railway walkway and commented that certain issues will be raised.		
<b>Bayne Memorial Grounds</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Dec 2011</b>
Cllrs. Updated the C.C. that there seemed to have been a breakdown in communications between the council and the club. Cllr. Thompson will deal with this issue		

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<b>Advertisements/Billboards</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>May 2012</b>
Letter had been sent to planning asking if permission was needed or if these advertising boards had been part of the larger plan. A reply was received from planning which was read. Enforcement officer involved		

<b>Ikea Vehicle access</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Nov 2011</b>
Signage is very misleading, it was suggested the area be looked at.		

**PLANNING;** Applications pertaining to our area were read out there was one contentious issues.

**Nivenknowe Caravan Park; 12/00311/PAC;** proposal of application notice for the deletion of conditions 1,2,and 3 of planning permission 11/00816/DPP. Chair inquired about conditions and asked Cllrs. for more info. on this. **Action;** Cllr Imrie will make enquiries

**CORRESPONDENCE;**

**Consultation on Community Empowerment Bill;** Cllr Thompson had forwarded this info which may be of interest to the C.C.

**Nature of Scotland;** Spring/Summer 2012

**Spokes;** Newsletter

**Midlothian News**

**Midlothian Council;** Application for variation of premises Licence Asda Store;

**Gala Day;** Programme and letter of thanks; fee paid for advert

## A.O.C.B

Loanhead Music Festival ; Chair gave thanks to Bruce for another successful Music Festival despite the heavy rain. The event is great for the community. Bruce did comment that the cost of the temporary campsite at the leisure Centre wasn't helping to encourage visitors. The council was charging 7.50 per person per night, this added up over the weekend. The Music Festival was also subsidizing this facility. The Chair suggested a meeting with Cllrs. to discuss this and the problem there was with license for Ex-Servicemen's. **Action**; Issues to be added to agenda with Cllrs.

Olympic Torch; Cllrs. were asked the cost of this event. The entourage will pass through Loanhead at 9.34 precisely and proceed up the Loan. Question was asked if anything had been organized for this event on the stage etc; Cllr. Thompson replied there had been no time.

## **Loanhead Twinning Association;**

- New members Welcome

## Loanhead Childrens Gala Day

- New members Welcome

Next meeting; 10<sup>th</sup> July 2012 at 7.30pm Loanhead Ex-Serviceman's Club