

North Berwick Coastal Area Partnership

Minutes of the North Berwick Coastal Area Partnership Meeting Tuesday 28th June 2016, 7-9pm at Hope Rooms, North Berwick

Meeting Chaired by:

Sue Northrop, Co Chair (SN)

Voting Members present:	Substitute members present
Lesley Kay, Co Chair (LK)	
Cllr. Jim Goodfellow, Elected Member (JG)	
Elma Danks, North Berwick Community Council (ED)	
Hilary Smith, North Berwick Community Council (HS)	David Kellock, North Berwick Community Council (DK)
Donald McDonald, Gullane Area Community Council (DM)	
Gordon Gray, Dunpender Community Council (GG)	
Tim Harding, Lime Grove TRA (TH)	
Irene Galloway, Law TRA (IG)	
Ian Watson, NB Area Children & Youth Network (IW)	
Graeme Armstrong, Community Sports Hub (GA)	
Nicky Fox, NB Community Centre Mgmt Committee (NF)	
Donald Hay, Aberlady Community Association (DH)	
June Gibberd, Support from the Start (JG)	

Others in attendance:

Ian Malcolm, Aberlady Conservation & History Society (IM)

Rachel Wood, EL Special Needs Playscheme (RW)

Mike Ellis, Cycleforth (ME)

Ken Reid, EL Access Panel (KR)

Sandra King, Area Manager, East Lothian Council (SK)

Carolyne Murray, Business Support Administrator, East Lothian Council (CM)

Apologies:

Sheila Sinclair, North Berwick Community Council (SS)

AGENDA ITEM	KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	ACTION/ DECISION
1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies		
	Apologies received were noted.	
2. Minutes		
	24 May 2016 – minutes were approved, proposed by DH and seconded by IG.	
3. Matters Arising/Outstanding Actions		
	SN reminded those present to provide details of their organisation's websites, social media pages/addresses etc to CM if they hadn't already.	ALL
	Quorum/Attendance – Following discussion it was agreed to amend the quorum from 50%+1 to 40%+1. A similar adjustment has already been made by Musselburgh and Preston Seton Gosford Area Partnerships. We discussed how to ensure representation for geographical areas with a lower quorum, and agreed that we will alert Partners in advance if decisions are to be made advance and we can also seek agreement via e mail. It was also suggested that a smaller quorum be set for small amounts of money. Partners will consider this option if situations arise. The list of voting members and their substitutes were read out and Partners asked to ensure the Partnership has up to date names as per the standing orders. Please can Partners send CM any changes/updates.	ALL

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<p data-bbox="130 174 518 206">4. Priorities from Sub Groups</p> <div data-bbox="363 210 754 241"> <p>NBA Children & Youth Network</p> </div> <p data-bbox="363 244 1254 309">IW reported that the main action's agreed by the network to push forward were</p> <ul data-bbox="363 315 1254 884" style="list-style-type: none"> - Attract backing for Support from the Start (SftS) network – JG added that SftS were exploring the role of a family worker to engage with parents to increase the parent's awareness of their impact on their child's attainment. - Support development of mental wellbeing pathway – LK added that a proposal re guided self help in the high school (had been piloted successfully in Midlothian) had been presented to head teachers in May who had given their full support. Endorsement from the Area Partnership is all that is needed for this to progress. NF noted that the current waiting time in East Lothian for children to see a professional is 50 weeks. LK stressed that this proposal is not a medicalised one but instead based on early prevention. - Set up steering group to attract funding for a youth centre and youth shelter. - To increase access to employability, life skills and opportunities for all young people to enhance their skills and experience. <div data-bbox="363 920 665 952"> <p>On the Move Sub Group</p> </div> <p data-bbox="363 956 1193 987">LK reported that the top 4 priorities identified by the sub group were</p> <ul data-bbox="363 992 1254 1167" style="list-style-type: none"> - Clear signage to car parks at entrances to North Berwick - Conduct feasibility study re pedestrianisation of North Berwick High Street at peak times - Wander bus - New path/cycle path for Ballencrieff/Aberlady <p data-bbox="363 1171 1254 1236">The first 3 priorities had been agreed as shared priorities at the recent joint OPN and OTM meeting.</p> <div data-bbox="363 1279 662 1310"> <p>Older People's Network</p> </div> <p data-bbox="363 1314 1157 1346">SN reported that 3 main priorities had been identified by the OPN</p> <ul data-bbox="411 1350 1254 1597" style="list-style-type: none"> - Transport eg rebalancing the relationship between people and cars on North Berwick High Street (linked to the Upstream Project) - Day Centres, working with ED and Eric March re local activities, supporting volunteers, introducing new technology - Community support - tackling social isolation, promoting multi generational working and community services <div data-bbox="363 1637 654 1668"> <p>Community Sports Hub</p> </div> <p data-bbox="363 1673 1254 1917">GA reported that the support was sought from the area partnership to help raise the profile of local sports clubs. A draft leaflet advertising local sports clubs was circulated for comment and the members were advised that help to fund the cost of this leaflet would be beneficial also. The community sports hub is also looking for advice on how to spread the word of clubs and one initial idea has been banners at the Recreation Park highlighting what clubs use the space and how to contact them.</p> <p data-bbox="363 1921 1254 1986">It was agreed that the area partnership would support the hub and would fund the leaflet. GA to provide costing details to CM.</p>		

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	<p>Communications Sub Group</p> <p>SN reported that the Communications sub group decided that it was best for websites to be considered consistently across the APs. ELC will prepare drafts for us to consider. The group is focusing on how we support Partners to communicate about the AP in the community and a range of options are being considered. The group will report back fully to the next meeting in August. Anyone who has any ideas or wants to be part of the group is very welcome to attend.</p>	
5. Agreeing Short Term Priorities		
	<p>Priorities identified by the sub groups were reviewed and voted for in order of importance. IM asked how to suggest additional items. SN confirmed this could be done in the second half of the meeting when we would be looking at areas not covered by working groups.</p> <p>Following the groups discussions SN asked for any thoughts, reflections or comments. NF asked that mental wellbeing be imbedded into the area plan as a core value as outcomes need to be all inclusive. This was agreed. SK commented that the Communications sub group can take it forward as part of their work.</p> <p>IW raised concerns regarding the Lime Grove yard currently being prepared for sale to the highest bidder and stated that there was a need to influence retention of premises for community space and could the area partnership ask ELC to reconsider. SK suggested we consider mapping all the community assets which would be a useful exercise and an aid to future planning. SN and LK agreed to invite the Community Development Trust to an area partnership meeting. They will also write to A Leitch expressing the community's concerns and to ask for a meeting to discuss the way forward. HS asked that other community councils add this topic to their agendas for further discussion also.</p> <p>NF commented that Community Learning and Development (CLD) are critical to supporting the work of the AP. It was agreed that the profile of the CLD needs to be raised locally and the area partnership would do what it could to support.</p> <p>SN thanked everyone for their input this evening and noted that SK would now review the comments/votes, discuss with Roads and Amenity Services and would report back to Partners at the next meeting in August.</p>	<p>SK/ Comms SG</p> <p>SN/LK/ CM to draft</p> <p>SK</p>
6. Disabled Go		
	<p>Following discussion of the funding request and the review report provided the area partnership agreed to refuse the request. SK to feedback to R Spillane, Policy Officer, ELC.</p>	SK
7. AOCB		
	<p>DMcD requested that an updated member list be distributed.</p>	CM
8. Date of Next Meeting		
	<p>The next area partnership meeting is on Tuesday, 30th August 2016 in the Hope Rooms, North Berwick.</p>	<p>Apologies to nbc- ap@eastlothian.gov.uk</p>