**Meeting of the Haddington & Lammermuir Area Partnership**

**7th March 2016, 7-9pm,**

**Chambers, Town House, Haddington**

**Quorum:-**

11 members

**Meeting Chaired by**:

Craig McLachlan, Chair (CM)

**Members (and substitute members) present:**

Cllr Tom Trotter, Elected Member (TT)

Phillip White, Garvald & Morham Community Council (PW)

Penny Short, Garvald & Morham Community Council (PS)

Rosemary Greenhill, Humbie, E&W Saltoun & Bolton Community Council (RG)

Alan Dunton, Haddington East Tenants & Residents Associations (AD)

David Roberts, Bolton Steading Tenants & Residents Associations (DR)

Louise Elder, Knox Parent Council, Chair (LE)

Judith Warren, Haddington Business Association (JW)

Brian East, Haddington Community Sports Hub (BE)

Ron Pearman, Haddington Community Sports Hub (RP)

Gill Colston, East Lothian Health Network (GC)

Ann McCarthy, East Lothian Health Network (AMcC)

Loreen Pardoe, Support from the Start (LP)

Douglas Proudfoot, Head of Service (Development) (DP)

**Others in attendance**

Stuart Gibb, Area Manager, ELC (SG)

Lorna Maclennan, Business Support Administrator, ELC (LMAC)

**Apologies received**

Cllr Ludovic Broun-Lindsay, Elected Member (LL)

Cllr John McMillan Elected Member, ELC (JM)

Nick Morgan, Gifford Community Council (NM)

JoAllan, Gifford Community Council (JA)

Paul Darling, Haddington & District Community Council (PD)

Al Beck, Humbie, E&W Saltoun & Bolton Community Council (AB)

Paul Sales, Bolton Steading Tenants & Residents Associations (PSa)

Gordon Crawford, Yester Parents Council (GC)

Frances Wright, Haddington Community Development Trust (FW)

Karen Stevenson, Haddington Community Development Trust (KS)

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| **1** | **Welcome** | Everyone was welcomed to the meeting by the Chair |  |
| **2** | **Apologies** | Apologies were noted |  |
| **3** | **Approval of minutes** | The minutes were approved with 2 people being added to the attendance for the last meeting |  |
| **4** | **Matters arising** | Area plan project YP15 (Homework Club) - Alan Dunton would like to be involved. There is problems with access to the Nungate Centre and the Haddington Football Club had offered its premises for use as ‘Homework Club’ – There was no additional information at this time. Alan will be invited to the next meeting when this is being discussed. It is hoped that the Homework Club will start in August. | SG |
| **5** | **Budget Report** | **2015/16 Budget**  **Amenity Services Budget** – This budget has been spent and so there is no carry over into the 16/17 financial year. An additional £21,430 of work has been carried out on the Haddington Skatepark and this has been allocated from this budget  **Roads Budget** – this budget has been spent.  **General Budget** – There is a projected underspend at 31/03/16 of £35,797.62. This balance will be carried forward into 16/17.  **2016/17 Budget**  **Roads Budget** - £50k  **Amenities Budget** -£100k  **General Budget** - £50k plus any underspend carried forward from 15/16.  **Education/Attainment Budget** - £100k – clarity on what the criteria for this money are still too be defined. |  |
| **6** | **Funding Proposals** | **Garvald Burn** – A funding proposal was submitted by Garvald and Morham Community Council requesting that the Area Partnership provide funding to build up the banking of the Garvald Burn. ELC has estimated that these works will cost approxiamtately £5,775. After discussion it was agreed to fund this amount in full from the Amenities Services Budget for 2016/17.  There was a discussion around the Amenity Services budget for 2016/17 and how the Area Partnership can influence the spend on this budget and how Amenity Services can be accountable for what they spend the money on. SG stated that most of the ‘extra‘ projects carried out during 15/16 have been accommodated in the operating budget along with the usual works.  **Scott Marnoch, Knox Academy** – An updated application form for reduced funding for the Knox Academy Cycle Academy project was submitted. The revised funding request is now £5,364.12. This proposal was approved by the Area Partnership with funding coming from the General budget for 15/16..  A funding proposal submitted by Crew 2000 that was approved under delegated powers was submitted to the Area Partnership noting. Crew 2000 had requested £475 to provide educational talks to children at Knox Academy on alcohol and drug misuse and offer non-judgemental support to those who seek it out. Due to the timescales involved this proposal had been approved by CM (Chair), PSa (Vice Chair), PS (Children and Young People Champion) and will be taken from the 15/16 budget. |  |
| **7** | **Area Plan / Champions update** | CM and SG have been meeting with the Area Plan Champions to review their individual sections of the Plan and to discuss/ agree how to proceed.  CM thanked all the Champions for their input.  It is hoped KS (HCDT) will become the Champion for the Town Centre & Local Economy section. Work is currently ongoing to progress this  GC has agreed to represent all Parent Council’s on the Area Partnership.  PS updated the meeting on the current status of her work as champion for Children and Young People. She stated that the C&YP section will be more community focused and will strengthen the whole community links.  SG updated the meeting on progress with Superfast Broadband and advised that this has been slow. JM, SG and other ELC colleagues met with the Community Broadband Scotland on 1st March 2016. The meeting was very constructive and agreement on the way forward was reached. Discussion also took place on the post code areas potentially in scope with this project and also on the next steps as regards consultation and procurement. SG advised that he would continue to update the Area Partnership as the project develops. | SG |
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| **8** | **AOCB** | **East Lothian Community Hospital** :GC advised that there was to be a stakeholder meeting for the new hospital on the 22nd March 2016. Details of the event will be issued shortly  **Blooming Haddington** : RP advised that Blooming Haddington would like to develop a project in re hoping to Court Street, Haddington and may ask for part funding from the Area Partnership There was a subsequent discussion about some of Blooming Haddington’s other projects and it was also noted that the work carried out in the Oriental garden by the River Tyne had been well received.  The Area Plan Champions were confirmed as follow:  Karen Stevenson – **Town Centre & Local Economy**  **Cllr John McMillan – Superfast Broadband**  Paul Sales – **Community Safety**  Alan Dunton – **Nungate homework club**  Nick Morgan – **Sustainable Travel**  Penny Short – Children and **Young People** Gill Colston – **Health and Wellbeing**  Paul Darling – **Community Facilities** Rosemary Greenhill – **Inclusive Communities**  Support from the Start are show casing how young children develop with early stage play, this development of excellent play opportunities throughout East Lothian highlights this through the Play Tour. The settings in Musselburgh, Prestonpans and North Berwick have developed specific experiences in settings which focus on the rich and diverse learning as well as the children’s well-being socially and emotionally. Currently we have nothing comparable in the Haddington and Lammermuir area, however the Play Tour was to provide information, inspiration and introduction to the critical role of play in every child’s life in school settings and more. |  |
| **9** | **Date of Next Meeting** | Meeting dates for the year are as follows:-  Tuesday 3rd May 2016 – Chambers, Town House Haddington  Thursday 4th August 2016 – Chambers, Town House Haddington,  Thursday 22nd September 2016 (Annual Meeting)  Monday 21st November 2016 – Saltire Room, John Muir House, Haddington |  |

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