Dunbar and East Linton Area Partnership meeting 7th October 2019, 7.00pm – 9.00pm in Gibb Room 1&2, Bleachingfield Centre, Dunbar

Meeting Chaired by:

George Robertson, Chair of the Dunbar and East Linton Area Partnership (GR)

Members (and substitute members) present

Anne Lyall, East Lammermuir Community Council (AL) Barry Craighead, Vice Chair AP, Dunpender Community Council (BC) Mike Shaw, Dunbar Shore & Harbour Neighbourhood Group (MS) Cllr Sue Kempson, ELC Elected Member (SK) Pippa Swan, Dunbar Community Council (PS) Jim Herron, Monksmuir TRA (JH) Jacquie Bell, Vice Chair AP, Dunbar Community Council (JB) Tim Greene, Sustaining Dunbar (TG) Stephen Bunyan, Dunbar Community Council (SB) Daniel Wight, Dunpender Community Council (DW) Ola Wojtkiewics, West Barns Hall, voting for the West Barns Community Council (OW) Margaret Cole, The Ridge, (MC)



Others in attendance

Doug Haig, Acting Manager (DH) Lorna Maclennan Business Support Administration, ELC (LMac) Helen Harper, CLD (HH) Sheila Robertson, Children and Young Peoples Sub Group (SR) Scott Marnoch, Active Schools (SM) Gareth Hill, Active Schools (GH) Marilyn McNeil, IJB (MM)

Apologies received

Lyn Simpson, Small Schools Parent Council Rep (LS) Graham Turnill, West Barns Village Hall (GT) Gill Wilson, East Lothian Association of Day Centres (GW) Kate Darrah, The Ridge, also representing Dunbar Trades Association (KD) Terry Prior, Hallhill Tenants and Residents Association (TP) H Hamilton, Andrew Meikle Grove TRA, (HHa)

| | Agenda Item | Key discussion points | Action |
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| 1. | Introduction | GR welcomed everyone to the meeting. He introduced MC as this was her first meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves round the table. | |
| | | LM stated that the meeting was quorate. | |
| 2. | Apologies | Apologies were noted as above. | |
| 3. | Notifications of declaration of interest | This gives members the opportunity to state a conflict of interest on any subject matter that is on the agenda. Declarations would be declared at the item. | |
| 4. | Approval of Minutes | Minutes of the last meeting were approved. Proposed by PS, seconded by MS. | |
| 5. | Matters Arising | a) Public consultation on the Area Plan – GR reminded everyone that this is still live on the ELC web site. He asked for people to please promote this so the Partnership can get an idea of what the people of Dunbar & East Linton Area would want to see in their plan. This is open until the 25th October 2019 at https://eastlothianconsultations.co.uk/policy-partnerships/dunbar-east-linton-area-partnership-a-voice-for-yo/ b) The monies have been transferred to the Christmas Lights team for the upgrade of the Corn Exchange. ELC had wanted to do a survey before the monies were released. c) Hallhill TRA are happy the speed reactive sign has been moved and it seems to be having a positive affect within the area. d) St Anne's peace garden – the Area Partnership have received a letter for them thanking the Partnership for the monies to complete this. | ALL |
| 6. | Budget | for them thanking the Partnership for the monies to complete this project. GR went through the budget sheet displaying the spend so far. | |
| | Update | The Roads budget is now fully committed. It will be utilised to extend the path along the Back Roads to the Golf Course entrance. Education Budget has £40,143 General Budget had £5,438 Amenities Budget is ever decreasing and only in principle. Efforts earlier in the year to try and get work carried out in area of Dunbar had proved difficult due to the ever decreasing budgets within Amenity Services. | |
| 7. | Applications for funding | Education Budget 1) Dunbar Grammar School Cluster Worker £22,000 This application was discussed by the Young Peoples Sub Group where a number of questions were raised and subsequently sent to the Head Teacher of Dunbar Grammar school. Yesterday DH had received an email to say that the application had been withdrawn as it was felt that there would not be enough time for any positive impact to be felt within the school. GR stated that the Partnership had always had concerns with funding salaried post. The project appeared to be worthy but needed to be funded from a different source. General Budget 1) Dementia Friendly Training £500.00 This application is to train 10 pupils from DGS and equip them with knowledge and skills that will assist them when they are working with | |
| | | knowledge and skills that will assist them when they are working with the project that runs on a Wednesday at the school. It is an | DH |

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| | intergenerational project where older people meet and the young people learn cooking skills and serve the older people with a meal. GR had visited this project and thought it was very worthwhile. The vote to be taken would be in principle as GR would like the monies to come from the education Budget but this would have to be run by education. The vote was taken to support this project with all 11 members voting. DH will send this application to Education for their consideration. 2) Seasons of Growth £600 GR went through the application. This is to support parents and children who are experiencing challenges due to bereavement. The adults need to be supported so they can move on and the positive effect be carried to the youngsters. There was a discussion and then a vote. The vote was carried. All members agreeing to support this project. GR also thought the monies for this project could come from the educational budget. DH will send this application to education for their to read over and give their views. The vote was carried 11 for this project. 3) Radio Station £3,000 GR went through the application. JB declared a declaration of interest. | DH |
| | GR went through the application. JB declared a declaration of interest. At the moment the radio station is only available on the internet. They have a promise of premises and the application is for equipment for the studio which they are hoping to acquire. There was long discussion about the radio station and the others within East Lothian. Members wondered if they could go together with another station rather than starting a new one. There is no independent radio station within this area. Members wanted to see more details and wondered what the interest of a local radio station would have. After another lengthy debate and vote was taken. The voting was 8 against; 2 for; 1 declaration of interest. This was not carried forwarded. DH would compose an email and sent to the radio station saying sorry. 4) West Barns Halls - Chairs £2314.20 GR went through the application. OW talked to the application. West Barns Hall had chairs which were now not fit for purpose, there was a need for light stackable chairs. After being sent lots of sample chairs, it was decided to go with the supplier who gave the quote for this application. There was discussion about the fact that ELC could buy the chairs and there would be less to pay. LM stated that that service was not available at the moment in time. After further discussion | DH |
| 8. Active Schools | there was a vote which there were 10 for a 1 declaration of interest. Active School were asked to supply an update on the DCAAF fund, which they will supply at the next meeting. There are children in the community | SM |
| update 9. Young Person Sub Group | who are benefitting from having funding. At the last meeting the Dunbar Grammar support worker was discussed as previously mentioned. GR was not going to set another meeting until there are further applications sent into the partnership. SK will ask at the next DGS Parent Council meeting if it would be possible to have representation from Dunbar grammar School either the Young Persons Group and/or at the full Area Partnership meeting. PS asked about the priorities that the young people had asked for a few years ago. It seemed that we had not progressed on any of these and would we be able too. This would be looked at during the consultation and when items were being collated. | SK |
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| | HH was our link with the Grammar School. HH and The Ridge were | |
| | engaging with the school and pupils getting together funding streams | |
| | which might be able to progress with some idea. | |
| 10 Health & | The last meeting was on 2 nd October. This was a busy meeting with lots of | |
| Wellbeing | items covered. JB stated that Jane Ogden Smith had not attended. The | |
| Sub Group | group was hoping for an update on the provision of Belhaven Hospital. | |
| | There had been a newsletter in August but nothing else had happened. | |
| | They had made contact with the new Community Hospital (formally | |
| | Roodlands) but the people involved with this project are also involved with | |
| | the Sick Kids hospital in Edinburgh. There had been information on a | |
| | different way GP's would be working, with link workers starting. There | |
| | was a briefing in Bleachingfield on the 8/9/19 from 10-12. There was | |
| | concerns with Cross Reach leaving the area that Changes in Musselburgh | |
| | are where people are being asked to go. Many people face challenges getting to Musselburgh. JB had contacted the group and asked about | |
| | them coming to Dunbar, this was dependant on numbers. Isolation | |
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| | especially in the housing schemes was talked about with the group. In some parts of the new housing scheme there is no service bus, issues at | |
| | school with pupils not engaging with each other, and people in generally | |
| | feeling isolated and nowhere to turn. The next meeting of the group is the | |
| | 20^{th} November in Bleachingfield at 4pm. | |
| 11 Area | There has been an arranged on the 12 th November 2019 from 7pm – 9pm | |
| Partnership | in the Town House Haddington. Please email | ALL |
| Training | <pre>cldmusselburgh@eastlothian.gov.uk. to a book place.</pre> | ALL |
| Dates | | |
| 12 AOCB | These projects came in after the papers had been circulated. | |
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| | a) Fairbairns Land – The Ridge - £4.500.00 | |
| | This project is for a feasibility study on Fairbairn's Land. This would | |
| | initially be set up as a Training School for Building as there is much | |
| | work to be done. MC stated that the land at present did not belong to | |
| | the Ridge but there was a survey being carried out on the land, with a view to the Ridge hopefully purchasing it. No current indication of | |
| | how much land they would be able to purchase and utilise as that | |
| | would be down to the owners. The feasibility study would help to tap | |
| | into further funding and also show the extent of the project. The | |
| | Ridge are asking for £4,500 for this project with the rest of the monies | |
| | coming from other sources. After further discussions a vote was taken | |
| | 1 declaration of interest and 10 for the project. | |
| | b) West Barns Disabled Parking | |
| | The Hall committee has been looking for disabled parking for years and | |
| | have had confirmation from Roads that the land will be adopted after | |
| | the parking is created. The application tabled is for disabled | |
| | parking/parking at the side of the West Barns Hall. ELC Roads have | |
| | sent a plan of what this could look like. This was circulated round the | |
| | table. There was a long discussion around the parking as there are | |
| | people who park in that area at the moment, and how best to keep the | |
| | at least 2 spaces for West Barns Hall use only. Although this project is | |
| | for parking it would help people with limited abilities or wheelchair | |
| | bound. The money for this project would have to come from the Roads | JM/DH |
| | budget next year, as this year's budget is fully allocated. After further | |
| | discussion there was a vote. Members stipulated that they would like | |
| | to see a minimum of 2 disabled spaces for the Hall and any further | |
| | would be a bonus. The vote was taken with 1 declaration of interest; 1 | |
| | no and 9 for this project in principle after Jo McNamara and DH speak to ELC Roads with the proposals | |
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| | Barry's BenchesBC gave an update on the project he had applied for finance for. At present he has installed 10 benches and 9 seats and has the materials in stock for a further 3 benches. Everyone thanked BC for all the work he has done both installing the benches and repairing others. Fantastic work. | |
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| | AOB GR stated to the table that he wanted to thank LM for all her hard work. GR stated that he never had to worry about anything it was always done for him. He also stated that she has more than one Partnership and always services D&EL AP without complaint and admired her commitment. He also stated that DH also give great support and the GR never needs to go to an ELC Department as this is done for him. | |
| | The consultation on the Plan will run until the 25 th October and please can everyone encourage people to put their views forward. | |
| | JB advised that Sandie Baptie, Emergency Planning & Risk Manager is holding a Community Resilience on 25 th October 2019 in the Brunton Hall Musselburgh – how the communities respond in terms of tomes of emergency. | |
| | PS and St Anne's are wondering if anyone would be interested in helping out the Harbour Lights group with youngsters on a Friday between 2- 3.30pm anyone with an interest in helping out should contact Dianne Hall, Rector of St Anne's, 01368 865711 | |
| 13 Date of Next | Monday 25th November 2019 Monday 27th January 2020 | |
| Meetings | Monday 27th January 2020 Monday 9th March 2020 | |
| | Monday 11th May 2020 | |
| | Monday 22nd June 2020 | |
| | Monday 31st August 2020 | |
| | Monday 5th October 2020 | |
| | Monday 23rd November 2020 | |

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