Haddington & Lammermuir Area Partnership

Meeting of the Haddington & Lammermuir Area Partnership 6th December 2018, 7-9pm,

Saltire Room 1 & 2, John Muir House, Haddington

Meeting Chaired by:

Craig McLachlan, Chair (CM)

Members (and substitute members) present:

Frances Wright, Vice Chair (FW) Cllr Shamin Akhtar, elected Member, ELC (SA) Malcolm Collins, Haddington Rotary Club (MC) Louise Begbie, Haddington Rotary Club (LB) Penny Short, Garvald & Morham Community Council (PS) Nick Morgan, Gifford Community Council (NM) Rosemary Greenhill, Humbie, E&W Saltoun and Bolton Community Council (RG) Margo Hodge, Humbie, E&W Saltoun and Bolton Community Council (MH) David Barrie, Haddington East TRA (DB) Alan Dunton, Haddington East TRA (AD) Jemiel Benison, Haddington CAB (JB) Phillip Ross, Knox Academy PC (AB) Loreen Pardoe, Support from the Start, Haddington (LP) Beverly Roberts, Yester Primary School Parent Council (BR)

Others in attendance

Lorna Maclennan, Business Support Administrator, ELC (LMAC) Doug Haig, Community Development Officer (DH) Marilyn McNeill, IJB Member (MM)

Apologies received

Cllr John McMillan Elected Member, ELC (JM) Phillip White, Garvald & Morham Community Council (PW) Cllr Brian Small Elected Member, ELC (BS) Cllr Tom Trotter, Elected Member ELC (TT) Paul Darling, Haddington & District Community Council (PD) Andy McBain, Knox Academy PC (AB) Jane Hobbs, Haddington Infants School Parent Council (JH) Stuart Gibb, Area Manager, ELC (SG)



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1	Welcome	CM welcomed everyone to the meeting.								
		LM stated the meeting was quorate, as the new standing order state that								
		quorate is 40% of the membership plus 1.								
2	Apologies	Apologies were noted.								
3	Declarations	All declaration of Interest were declared with a discussion about why it had								
	of Interest	been added to the agenda. LM stated that this is a standing item which is								
		now in all Area Partnerships Agenda's. CM stated that everyone should								
		leave their 'hats' at the door and look at everything from an Area								
		Partnership perspective.								
3	Approval of	The minutes of the last meeting were approved.								
	minutes									
4	Matters	The new Area Plan went to East Lothian Partnership Governance Group								
	Arising	(ELPGC) on 27 th November 2019 where it was approved. The Plan was praised by ELP as a model for the other Area Partnerships. The plan is now								
		up on East Lothian Council web site.								
		https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/downloads/download/12861/area_partner								
		ship_area_plan								
5	Children &	a. Update from meeting 29 th November 2018								
	Young	The Children & Young People Sub Group meeting on Thursday 29 th								
	People Sub -	November was again very well attended and a useful discussion took								
	group	place within the group regarding the achievements so far, the group's								
		forthcoming goals and any perceived obstacles to these goals.								
		b. Knox Meadowpark – Art Therapy								
		The Sb Group fully supported this application but the amount requested had since changed and it was felt that the application wasn't as clear as it could be and the decision was taken to ask Knox Meadowpark to clarify the amount requested. The Depute Head has confirmed they were now requesting £12,000. This was to provide a session for Meadowpark and sessions for Knox Academy pupils. This is significantly higher that the £3,600 detailed on the first application. This is due to higher counselling service costs from Crossreach who have increased increasing their charges for the next year. As the sub group did not have this information we were unable to make a recommendation. This was discussed and LM was to approach Meadowpark and ask them to clarify what they are requiring and the costs.	LM							
		what they are requiring and the costs.c. Yester Primary – Rural Transport Pilot								
		This application is from the HAL AP C&YP Sub Group to fund a pilot scheme to reduce transport deprivation with the Area. Gifford and Garvald areas are the most access deprived in East Lothian and are in the top 3% of access deprived areas in Scotland. In simple terms the children of Yester Primary and the other rural schools are not able to access the same opportunities as those children in schools in Haddington. The rural schools in our ward: Humbie, Saltoun & Yester, all suffer from this disparity but as Yester is the biggest school with around 180 pupils (Humbie has 24, Saltoun has 46 on school roll) it was felt that the pilot would be better running in Yester as it would be able to provide a better picture due to the amount of pupils. The pilot will of course illustrate what one rural school is missing out on and so the results will hopefully bring about measures that will benefit all three of the rural schools in the ward. Members will have read the application form and the information given in that which explains exactly how								

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	important this pilot is. PS briefly explained where the disparity lies by detailing the excursions that took place in 2017/2018 by the Haddington schools and by Yester Primary.							
	School What trips covers							
	Haddington Infants	Nursery & P1-P3	 Library and the John Gray Centre Regular visits to the Sports Centre Tesco (as part of the Far to Fork initiative) Carol Singing at Hilton Lodge Nursing Home & Tesco Visits to the Corn Exchange for various events Autumn walks in the Park 					
	King's Meadow	P4-P7	36 Excursions 11 Within Haddington					
	St Mary's RC	P1-P7 & Nursery	17 Excursions 10 session at the Sports Centre 11 within Haddington They also access the library/John Gray Centre for library activities and resources regularly but did not record data for this					
	Yester	P1-P7	12 excursions 1 visit for P6 to the Corn Exchange					
	cost £150.The schools in Haddington can afford to make more trips out with the Haddington area because they don't need to pay for any of the visits to events with Haddington. Yester are unable to organise many trips both within Haddington and out with because the cost of transport hire is just too much.Arguably the most important aspect that Yester School misses out on is the P7 transition visits to Knox Academy in Haddington. It means they don't get a chance to see the school or meet the children that will be in their classes which can cause many issues when they begin High School.The Pilot scheme will gather data and evidence to illustrate clearly to the Council that there is a problem. This will benefit the wider community and although the problems goes beyond Yester School in Gifford but there had to be a start somewhere. The Pilot would run from January to December 2019. £10,000 sounds sound a lot of money but it would cost three to four thousand just for Yester to access the Active Schools programme running in Haddington. The sub group would recommend that this funding be from the General Budget – the AP Manager felt this							

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	Agenua item	was more appropriate as sustainable travel is the main point of the	
		Action – which has been agreed by the Area Partnership.	
		After discussion the project was approved although some members thought that the monies should have come from the Education Attainment Initiative Budget. The amount of £10,000 was agreed from the General Budget to be given to Yester Primary School Gifford and the AP look forward to the result of the Pilot Scheme.	LM
		 d. Art Point – The Language of Art The Language of Art – as a pilot project in Haddington Day Centre. The Area & Craft workshops would run for adults and children to bring the generations together using art and by using different languages. The application details the benefits behind this approach which you will all have read. The funding applied for was £700 which was to cover art materials, facilitators and insurance. Edinburgh University will measure the success of this pilot. The application addresses a number of inequalities, not just for the children & Young People sub group. The sub group approves this application. After discussion this application was approved from the General budget for the sum of £700.00. 	LM
6	Funding Proposals	 A. Knox Academy Parent Council – Marketing & Promotion The application is for promotional materials to encourage parental engagement with both pupils and the school. The ELC print unit will benefit from the purchase. There was concern re setting a precedence by funding this application but it was felt that materials were being used to encourage parents as it has been proven that parental involvement within the school raised pupil attainment. After further discussions it was agreed to fund this application for £562.00 from the general budget. B. Gifford Community Council – Bleachingfield Park NM talked through the applications which it was hoped that everyone had read before the meeting. It was agreed to fund this project as it was also being funded from the ELC Amenities Services budget. The AP's funding would help with the material costs. After discussions it was agreed to fund this project to the sum of £1,305.00 from the General Budget. C. Haddington Rotary – Curling Pond Works There was concerns that this application was for consultation fee but LB stated that the Contractor was recommended by ELC Countryside Rangers and would restore the Curling Pond. After discussions it was agreed to fund the project to the sum of £3,420.00 which included VAT. D. Blooming Haddington – Disabled Access This project was to give disabled access to the Lady Kitty's Garden in Haddington near the river. As this addresses a number of inequalities such as improving access. It was agreed to fund this project to the sum of £1,000 from the General Budget.	
7	Annual Public Meeting	There has been as stated in the last minutes. This will be followed up in the New Year to look at the date and pull everything together. The group consists of FW, BE, CM & LM. The meeting will be held on a Saturday morning at Haddington Bowling Club, hopefully on a Farmers Market Day. All parties involved on the day have been funded by the Area Partnership: Bowling Club, Community Kitchen and MADE Art Hub. Further information will be available at the next meeting.	

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8	Budget Report	CM went thr	ough t	the budget sheet which is attached.					
9	Any other Business	PS stated that she was stepping down from her role as Chair of the Children & Young Peoples sub group and from the Area Partnership as she had resigned from Garvald and Morham Community Council. PS has been involved with the AP since the beginning and had the pleasure of working with many inspirational, forward thinking people who had always had the best interests of the community at heart. Most of the AP are volunteers and while it has involved some hard work at times it had been well worth the effort to achieve some of the amazing things the partnership had managed. PS was very grateful to SG and LM for their support and to the Chair and Vice Chair and all of the members for the AP. PS stated that she would like to thank everyone for making the 'job' such a rewarding, interesting and fun experience.							
		DH told the members that the lunch club would be displaced from February until December by the closing of Haddington Corn Exchange for planned refurbishment. The Lunch Club had been running for a number of years Mon-Thurs on a daily basis. With the help of ELC Community Learning and Development the Lunch Club has been looking for alternative accommodation to cover this period. They have been offered Macmerry Hall for 2 days a week and Whitecraig Community centre 2 days a week and although these were great – transporting people so far away from their surroundings can have detrimental effects. At the moment West Church in Haddington had been approached as they have a small hall that could be used and a kitchen which could be used for the meals that are provided. Although there was no formal application at the moment there would be a cost to using the church hall for the period of closure and they could come to ask if the AP could help with these costs in due course.							
10	Date of the next meetings			at 7pm, all meeting are open to the Public. Chambers Town House, Haddington					
		April	25	Saltire Room 1 & 2, John Muir House Haddington					
		June	20	Saltire Room 1 & 2, John Muir House Haddington					
		August	29	Saltire Room 1 & 2, John Muir House Haddington					
		October	31	Saltire Room 1 & 2, John Muir House Haddington					
		December	5	Saltire Room 1 & 2, John Muir House Haddington					

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		Proj.	Amenity Services	Roads	Education	General
Date Approved	Project	Ref:	£100,000	£50,000	£100,000	£50,000
03/04/2018	Rotary Club of Haddington - Skatepark event					500.00
12/04/2018	Catherine Wheels Theatre					800.00
30/04/2018	New Footway - The Avenue, Gifford			50,000.00		
17/05/2018	MADE in East Lothian					1,500.00
17/05/2018	Art Point Scotland					705.00
17/05/2018	East Lothian Foodbank - Red Box					523.00
17/05/2018	Adoption UK				13,900.00	
19/07/2018	Knox pupil counselling				25,195.00	
19/07/2018	HAL AP Medieval Play Day 25/08/18				,	4,000.00
19/07/2018	Our Community Kitchen					6,586.00
19/07/2018	Sports Hub - Get Haddington Active					5,000.00
19/07/2018	Athelstaneford Village Hall					5,000.00
27/09/2018	Support from Start Loose Parts Play (Yr 3)				26,000.00	,
06/12/2018	Knox Meadow Park (Art Therapy)				900.00	
06/12/2018	Yester - Rural Transport Pilot					10,000.00
06/12/2018	Art Point - The Language of Art					700.00
06/12/2018	Knox Academy PC - marketing					562.00
06/12/2018	Gifford CC - Bleachfield Park		4,536.00			1,305.00
06/12/2018	Haddington Rotary - Curling Pond		,			3,420.00
06/12/2018	Blooming Haddington - Disabled Access		1,088.00			1,000.00

Total Spend	£ 5,624	£ 50,000	£ 65,995	£ 41,601	
Balance			£ 34,005		