



AGM MONDAY 15TH APRIL 2019

In line with our standing orders, we commence with the AGM followed by our ordinary meeting to enable any outstanding matters to be heard and bring matters to the attention of our CC:

MINUTES of previous AGM approved and submitted for adoption

CHAIR'S REPORT

It was a fairly busy time for the members of the Community Council, there were 7 regular meetings held over the past year which were well attended.

POLICE – We'd like to thank our Community Police Officers for their help and advice when attending our meetings and events throughout the year, also for providing comprehensive reports on Rosewell Crime Statistics, which can be viewed on the [CRIME REPORTS](#) page of our website.

LOCAL COUNCILLORS – We'd like to thank the Local Councillors who attended our meetings and responded to our issues and concerns. Our local Councillors for Midlothian West are Pauline Winchester (Con), Kelly Parry (SNP) and Russell Imrie (Labour). Contact details and surgery dates can be viewed via the link on the [LOCAL COUNCILLORS](#) page of the RDCC website.

PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATOR - was installed on the wall at the entrance to Rosewell Primary School. Our thanks go to Rosewell Neighbourhood Group for this achievement and the school for their input. We also thank Bonnyrigg Rose Community Football Club for donating the defibrillator and local businesses and members of the community for their generosity and continued support towards the purchase of the cabinet and installation.

MIDLOTHIAN COUNCIL – held a series of public meetings to highlight the proposed budget cuts again this year. These will have serious implications to a number of services throughout Midlothian. However, a new medium-term financial strategy is being developed by Midlothian Council, setting out how it plans to balance its budget over the three years 2020/21 to 2011/2023. Residents, community groups and businesses are being given the opportunity to have their say in developing the plan, which will be presented to a meeting of the full council in June of this coming year.

ROAD SAFETY ISSUES – A6094 remains an accident blackspot which causes us great concern because of the recently consented planning permission given for the large development at Rosslynlee Hospital. This development has been given the go ahead with no apparent improvements to the road infrastructure.

Speeding and other general traffic concerns near to both schools were highlighted at many of our meetings and we thank the PTA's from both schools, who have been in contact with our MP, MSP, Local Councillors, Midlothian Council and Police Scotland to help alleviate these issues.

BUS SERVICE - October 2018 we had another very busy and lively meeting with our guest speaker the Network Performance Manager of Lothian Buses in attendance, who took away a list of points that were raised at the meeting to review and make changes where possible and also asked Secretary to contact him with any further issues of concern.

BROADBAND - Poor broadband speed continues to be raised by residents. Fibre broadband has been rolled-out in this area but unfortunately demand for the service continues to outstrip capacity. Residents are still advised to insert their postcode into the Digital Scotland website and regularly view updates regarding the current situation. <https://www.scotlandsuperfast.com>

ROSEWELL COMMUNITY HUB - Demolition of the old steading took place in preparation for the building of the new hub, which is expected to take a year to 18 months to bring to completion.

I would also like to thank my fellow CC members for their commitment and interest and hopefully we can encourage others to join us. There is plenty work to do.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

CONSTITUTION - In accordance with Midlothian Scheme for Community Councils, we updated our Constitution and produced new RDCC Standing Orders. These documents were approved by Midlothian Council and are available to view on RDCC's website.

WEBSITE –. Our website and Neighbourhood Groups new Face Book page have been regularly updated to keep residents informed of the latest community news. Important information was also sent out by email to the mailing list.

MAJOR and LOCAL PLANNING APPLICATIONS - The Village continues to grow with new developments despite an ever-increasing strain on already stretched services and infrastructure. RDCC submitted comments with MC Planning about the proposed new development at Rosslynlee Hospital, but unfortunately these were mostly disregarded, it was also noted that the developer has been allowed to renege on propositions made to the community at our meeting in April 2018.

A lively meeting took place in August 2018 with representatives from Banks Development who are proposing to build over 100 houses in the Doctor's field.

ROSEWELL NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP - produced and delivered the 2019 Rosewell Neighbourhood Plan Calendar to every household in the RDCC area. The group were extremely grateful for the generosity and continued support from local businesses who made this possible.

The Group initiated a Face Book page for the Rosewell Community, which has shown to be a great success with over 550 members to date.

TREASURER'S REPORT

We had a starting balance of £211.94 and received £844.00 in grant funding from Midlothian Council. After expenditure as detailed in our Statement of Accounts sheet 1st April 2018-31st March 2019 we are left with a Closing Balance of £274.44

Our account also has ringfenced monies for Rosewell Neighbourhood Group, also shown on Statement of Accounts sheet 1st April 2018-31st March 2019