

**DRAFT MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 21st January 2019 at 7pm
IN ROSEWELL PARISH CHURCH HALL**

PRESENT:

RDCC: Ann Montague (Secretary), Helen Blackburn (Treasurer), Mike Anderson (Committee Member)

COUNCILLORS: None Present

APOLOGIES: John Sime (Chair), Cllr. Pauline Winchester

RESIDENTS: 14

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RDCC WEBSITE OR AN EXTERNAL SOURCE**

1	POLICE REPORT	
1.1	PC Keith Dolan reported the Rosewell Crime statistics for Dec18 – Jan19. These can be viewed on RDCC website CRIME REPORTS page.	Police/ Residents
1.2	PC Dolan was informed of mud on the road at both the landfill site and also leading from Avant/Glen roundabout. It was also noted that half of the statistics in the crime report were accidents on the A6094 and it was suggested that perhaps the camera speed van could give this road some attention. PC Dolan will take this forward.	Police/ Residents
1.3	The recurring issue of speeding on Carnethie Street was also reported by Residents and it was highlighted by residents that some local business vehicles are ignoring speed limits driving through the village. A resident also spoke of drivers speeding on Thornton Road. PC Dolan said he had been on patrol in Rosewell, but will take this issue forward.	Police/ Residents/ Drivers
1.4	A discussion took place regarding the traffic calming measures and suggestion was made to have clearer signs to highlight the speed limit for drivers. PC Dolan spoke of a village in the borders where they had erected new signs with '30 that means you' that seem to be making an impact. RDCC will look into this and liaise with PS & MC. A cardboard cut out of a Police Officer was also suggested as a deterrent.	Police/ RDCC
1.5	PC Alan Forbes will be joining PC Graham Black as Community Officer for our area. He will be replacing PC Lewis Hodgkinson who recently left to take up another post.	Police
2	Minutes of Previous Meeting 26.11.18	
2.1	The minutes of the previous meeting held on 26 th November 2018 were read and approved.	Chair
3.	TREASURER'S REPORT.	
3.1	We have £3868.58 in our Bank Account, which includes Rosewell Neighbourhood Group's money being operated separately from RDCC monies. Breakdown of account is: RDCC Balance - £537.58 RNG Balance - £3331.00 with pending payments of £1588.00 for calendar printing and £1024.61 for electrical installation of defibrillator, which will leave RNG a balance of £718.39	Treasurer
4.	LOCAL COUNCILLOR REPORT.	
4.1	Cllr. Pauline Winchester sent her apologies as she is attending a community resilience meeting this evening. Information regarding community emergency plans will be reported back to RDCC.	Cllr. Winchester /Residents
5.	CHAIRS REPORT	
5.1	Midlothian residents are being reminded that they still have time to have their say on how the council spends its money next year. MC are asking for your views on spending priorities and would like to hear your views. Take part on online survey, email your	Midlothian Council/ Residents

	comments and suggestions to HaveYourSay@midlothian.gov.uk or Write to Have Your Say, Midlothian House, Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith EH22 1DN or Speak to your local Councillors, who are expected to agree their 2019/20 budget and set council tax levels on Tuesday 12 February.	
6.	SECRETARYS REPORT	
6.1	Midlothian Council Budget – have sent out letters explaining how to sign up and pay for the council's new £35 charged garden waste service. Households must register by 21 February to make sure they receive bin sticker in time for your first collection. Brown bins displaying a valid collection sticker will be collected fortnightly between mid-March until mid-November. Residents who do not want to pay for the service can take their garden waste to a recycling centre for free disposal, or compost at home. A resident asked how this would work – if someone has paid for their bin to be emptied and someone else uses it causing it to be overfilled. Would MC refuse to pick it up?	Midlothian Council/ RDCC/ Residents
6.2	Midlothian Council's – Justin Venton, Land & Countryside Manager of Midlothian Council has asked if there are any groups who would like to adopt any of the flower beds before they remove them completely. i.e. remove the planters or grass over the beds. RDCC have been in discussion with RDT about co-ordinating groups/volunteers who would be interested in this task. Anyone working on MC property must be working under a constituted group for insurance purposes. We have also muted the idea of prizes for best planter/garden, etc It was suggested that if this took off – we could enter the 'village in bloom'	Midlothian Council/ RDCC/RDT
6.3	Police Scotland and Midlothian Council carried out a public survey last September, asking what more could be done to help support volunteers in an emergency. As a result, two public meetings were organised to help local people who may want to form their own groups and to discuss potential emergency plans. A range of skills are needed to make these groups work - things like driving to the chemist, making cups of tea and talking to people are just as important as helping clear snow from paths. RDCC, with the help of other groups are looking into creating a community emergency plan.	Police/ RDCC/ Residents
6.4	Police Scotland – A five-month multi-agency campaign to highlight the reality of livestock attacks and trauma by dogs was launched on January 8th 2019 at Penicuik House, Penicuik Estate, Midlothian by the Scottish Partnership Against Rural Crime (SPARC). The aim of the campaign - "Your Dog - Your Responsibility"	Police/ Residents
7.	UPDATE ON MAJOR AND LOCAL PLANNING APPLICATIONS	
7.1	Rosewell Mains Steading (Gorton Loan) (18/00840/DPP) Erection of community hub facility; formation of access and car parking and associated works – DECISION NOTICE CONSENT	RDT/ MC Planning
8.	UPDATE ON ROSEWELL DEVELOPMENT TRUST	
8.1	Planning now consented and work will go out to tender mid-February. Community will be updated as work progresses. It is hoped there will be people on site to work in April and it will take a year to 18 months to bring to completion. Plans for the new Community Hub can be viewed on MC planning portal and there is also a link on RDT's Facebook page. Activities are continuing with the woodland classroom still being popular and used well by both schools with RDT running a John Muir Award. Also, in partnership with Alzheimer Scotland, once a month RDT have individuals living with dementia along to the classroom with their families to use the facility. The Lunch Club, children's groups and a variety of activities are proving popular as always. RDT recently won a 'Thriving' Award in the 'It's your Neighbourhood' category from Keep Scotland Beautiful in recognition of the work RDT and Volunteers do in our community. RDT have seen an increase in volunteers at the Trust & have a number of volunteering opportunities available. Please contact RDT if you are interested. Full details of events can be found on RDT's Facebook page.	RDT/ Residents

	If anyone has any questions, or needs more information, please contact the RDT office or Robert Scott on 0131 629 9398 for more details on any of the groups and projects run by the Trust. RDT's website – http://www.rdtrosewell.org.uk/eventcalendar/	
9.	UPDATE ON ROSEWELL NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP	
9.1	Calendar – The 2019 Calendar has now been delivered to all residents and we have been delighted by so many positive comments on our Facebook page, which now has 480 members.	RNG/ Residents
9.2	Community Accessible Defibrillator – Defibrillator Cabinet was ordered on 3rd December and its arrival is imminent. The defibrillator will be situated outside Rosewell Primary School and we will update everyone once it has been placed.	RNG
9.3	Meetings – The Groups first meeting of 2019 took place on 10 th January and we were delighted to welcome new members. Topics discussed were projects to take forward – these will be posted on Facebook Page. Suggestions and new members are always welcome.	RNG/ Residents
10.	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
10.1	Discussion took place about poor broadband and the reason being no capacity in Cabinet 7. A resident has been told by a company that they could provide broadband regardless of availability in the cabinet. Resident will report back on this.	Resident/ Cllr. Winchester
10.2	A Resident spoke of a rumour about the 49-bus service being stopped going into Tesco at Hardengreen. Secretary will contact Lothian Buses and report back to community. A resident said that Tesco was an interchange & was needed. It is also the stop for Eskbank station!	Secretary/ Lothian Buses
11.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
11.1	The next meeting will be held on Monday 4 th March 2019 at 7pm in Rosewell Parish Church Hall. MEETING DATES for 2019	Chair

UPDATES ARE ADDED AT REGULAR INTERVALS TO THE RDCC WEBSITE TO KEEP RESIDENTS INFORMED OF PROGRESS ON MAJOR PLANNING APPLICATIONS, COMMUNITY NEWS, AND EVENTS. INFORMATION IS ALSO POSTED ON THE COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD IN THE PUBLIC GARDEN AT THE CORNER OF CARNETHIE STREET/GORTON ROAD
www.community-council.org.uk/RosewellandDistrict

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