

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 21st November 2022 at 7pm

PRESENT:

RDCC: Moray Simon (Chair), Alison Izatt (Vice Chair), Helen Blackburn (Treasurer), Edith Cameron (Secretary),
Committee members: Jamie Scanlon, Janey Hoefflich

RESIDENTS: 2

ATTENDEES: Councillor Pauline Winchester

APOLOGIES: The Police, Committee member Abby Houston, Jenny Gray (Office manager to Colin Beattie MSP)

1.	POLICE REPORT
	The police report was read out. A copy is available on the RDCC Website and will be posted in the village noticeboard.
2.	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
	The minutes of the previous meetings held on 3 rd October 2022 were approved.
3.	TREASURER'S REPORT.
	The balance in our account is £4953.22 This includes money ringfenced for replacement defibrillator pads and money ringfenced for the calendar. All businesses who supported the calendar will be thanked on the Rosewell Neighbourhood Group facebook page. £50 was donated to the Tuesday club.
4.	<p>LOCAL COUNCILLOR REPORT. –Councillor Pauline Winchester</p> <p>Councillors have been having meetings regarding the school buildings in Rosewell and surrounding area. MC are looking for a site to build a new primary school. They have applied for funding from the Scottish Government and have stated that the new school will be within Rosewell.</p> <p>The 3 Midlothian West elected councillors Environmental Fund has paid for some commemorative benches with poppy designs for Loanhead and Roslin. It appears that the Council have included Rosewell in the mix and it is likely we will get a commemorative bench which will be placed somewhere in the park by the Council.</p> <p>There was discussion about picnic benches and The Midlothian Ranger had previously stated that Rosewell was on the waiting list for a replacement picnic bench for the railway walkway but funding and timing of this is uncertain. Councillor Winchester stated she would see if there is any money left in her budget for a picnic bench in Rosewell Park, near the tennis courts or Pavilion building.</p>
5.	<p>MATTERS ARISING –</p> <p style="color: red;">Rosewell Parish Church Hall are hosting a “Warm Space” every Wednesday morning 10am to 12noon. Anyone from the community who would appreciate some warmth, company and a hot drink and snack are most welcome (there is NO cost). You can bring a thermos flask and they can fill it up for you to take home.</p> <p>Treasurer will see if we can help with a banner to advertise it outside the hall on the day.</p>

6.	GENERAL UPDATES:
	<p>Dialled into the Midlothian Federation of Community Councils zoom on 19th October. Speaker was Dr Green from the Health and Social Care Partnership, there were 2 pharmacists and a dentist presenting too. They talked about their work with planning over the next few years for the increasing population of Midlothian and the increasing percentage of elderly. They have a yearly strategic plan which can be found online. The Midlothian Integrated Joint Board of the NHS is looking at the Bonnyrigg / Rosewell area for a new healthcare facility and have applied to the Scottish Government for funding. This would be years away in the planning. All NHS pharmacy applications and consultations are available to view online. They are aware of issues regarding medications and stated nationally there is a 12% shortage of drugs. This issue will not be resolved by creating more pharmacies. There are currently 6 pharmacy applications for Midlothian. None of them are in Rosewell</p>
7.	<p>UPDATE ON MAJOR AND LOCAL PLANNING APPLICATIONS: 22/00787/DPP Oakridge Group, Pentland House, Rosslynlee, EH25 9QF. Alterations to existing junctions, resurfacing and other associated works at Road between Gourlaw Junction and, Kirkettle Farm Road, Rosewell (They are improving the road with more signage to warn drivers of cyclists and are putting up barriers to keep pedestrians safe from the road where the cycle / path meets the road)</p>
8.	ANY OTHER BUSINESS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LASC have asked for a letter of support from the community council to build an extension to their building in the park. They stated: <i>“Rosewell is a rapidly expanding community with many new families who require childcare at the moment or will do in the foreseeable future. We currently provide day nursery care (for children aged 0-5 years), breakfast and afterschool care for children attending Rosewell or St Matthews Primary School and a day service for young adults with additional support needs (YAS). Demand for our services, particularly nursery and YAS, far exceeds our capacity, with our nursery currently having a waiting list of 12 months. In order to allow for expansion of our nursery service, and YAS service to meet the needs of our local community we propose to submit an application to extend the existing Rosewell Pavilion building. This will allow the YAS service to have a dedicated space whilst also creating room to allow for expansion of the nursery. We would therefore like to ask our families for letters of support for this project to provide Midlothian Council with evidence of the community need for an expanded service. We have also been approached by a number of community groups for space and use of changing facilities which we would be able to accommodate at weekends and evenings”</i> <p>Secretary will check the guidance regarding involvement of community councils pre-application and provide a letter if possible. There was discussion about the limited parking and the poor parking of vehicles in their carpark. Councillor Winchester will find out whether it is the council or LASC's responsibility to paint white lines on the road, as there should be enough space for 10 cars if parked correctly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A resident businessowner emailed to ask if it was too late to advertise their business in the Rosewell Calendar. Yes, it is already with the printers. There

	<p>was discussion about allowing advertising on the RNG facebook page for those who were too late to contribute to the calendar but would donate. It was felt that the admin involved in controlling the advertising on the page would be too much at present.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The chair wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy new year when it comes.
9.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING
	The next meeting will be held on Monday 16th January 2023 at 7pm in the Church of Scotland Parish Church Hall.

Updates are added to the RDCC website to keep residents informed of planning applications, community news and events. Information is also posted on the community notice board in the garden at the corner of Carnethie Steet / Gorton Road.

www.community-council.org.uk/RosewellandDistrict

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