

**Eyemouth Community Council:** 6pm Tuesday 30 January 2018.

**Chair:** James R Anderson

**Vice Chair:** William Grant

**Minute Secretary:** Annette McGraith

**Present:** Lucy Anderson, John Aitchison, Lynsey Walker, Jan Weeks, Davina R Collin, SBC Cllr Helen Laing, SBC Cllr Jim Fullerton, Tracey Dick, Alice Fisher, Murray Watt, Cathy Cremin, Fiona White, Andy Haddow, PC Drew Young and PC Susan Jacobs.

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| <b>1. Apologies</b>                                      | Karen Hamilton, Jeanette McCulloch   |   |
| <b>2. Minutes of previous meetings</b>                   | <b>2.</b> The minutes for meeting held Nov 17 were <b>approved.</b> Proposed by <b>JRA</b> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> <b>LA</b> .   |   |
| <b>2.1. Matters arising</b>                              | <b>2.1</b> None.   |   |
| <b>3. Eyemouth &amp; District Community Trust/Splash</b> | <p>Presentation by EDCT and Splash. ECC and EDCT plan to work more closely in the future. Funding for renovation of town hall has been offered by Robertson Trust, Scottish Landfill and Heritage Scotland. These funders will contribute when larger funds secured through Big Lottery. EDCT invite all members to AGM @ Parish Church 6 February 2018 @ 6pm.</p> <p>Splash invited all members to attend Volunteer awards night 01.02.18 @ the Splash space. Splash funding secured until end March 2018.</p>                          |   |
| <b>4. Co-opted members</b>                               | <p>David Dempster continues to lead ACE but feels he would be unable to present to ECC.</p> <p><b>JRA</b> proposed Tracey Dick &amp; Alice Fisher as co-opted members to present ACE progress to ECC.</p> <p><b>WG</b> 2<sup>nd</sup>.</p>   | <b>AM</b> to get email addresses from both to add to ECC distribution list. |
| <b>5. Police Report</b>                                  | <p><b>PC DY</b> introduced <b>PC SJ</b>.</p> <p>Please see attached Police report. <b>PC DY</b> urged members of the public to report concerns to Police or anonymously through CrimeStoppers. Police had to leave part way through presenting.</p> <p>Member of the public raised concerns over parked cars obstructing the lowered pavement areas particularly on Manse Road. <b>AM</b> to email Police with concerns.</p> <p><b>AM</b> raised concerns over a Facebook page "KEEP Scottish Borders CLEAN. Page shows recording of</p> | <b>AM</b>   |

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|                                       | <p>dog walkers. <b>LW, LA</b> advised the page has been removed.</p> <p>Member of the Public raised concerns over emergency service access in the Deanhead area. <b>ALL AGREED</b> contact to be made with Scottish Fire &amp; Rescue Service to establish if they have issues and if so where. <b>AM</b> to email/send letter.</p>   | <p><b>AM</b></p>   |
| <p><b>6. Chairperson's Report</b></p> | <p>BHA Acredale estate – <b>LA</b> reports that the issues raised previously have not been addressed. <b>JRA</b> requested update from <b>JF</b> as agreed in previous meeting. <b>JF</b> advised that the ground issues are not the responsibility of BHA. <b>LA</b> reports these are internal issues with the properties. <b>JF</b> has not emailed BHA.</p> <p><b>JA</b> had to ask councillor <b>JF</b> to lower his voice and stop repeatedly banging his fists on the table.</p> <p><b>LA</b> to send a list of residents' concerns to <b>AM</b>. <b>AM</b> to forward onto <b>JF</b> from the ECC email.</p> <p>The SHOWS request – Harbour Trust are unable to accommodate the shows this year.</p> <p><b>JF</b> advises SBC propose the space near allotments as a replacement site. <b>ALL AGREED</b> this would not be suitable due to lack of lighting, unsupervised children/YP, hard to police.</p> <p><b>ALL</b> suggested Killie Draughts were other shows attend in the Summer months. <b>JRA</b> to seek consent from local residents and feedback to Daren Silcock. <b>AM</b> to draft letter.</p> <p>Christmas Lights - <b>JRA</b> reports that Oblo, Landels Electricals, EDCT and ECC will form Christmas lights group. Group will look to raise funds, care for lights and increase display. Oblo have arranged for an external company to draw plans for display, free of charge.</p> <p><b>JRA</b> reports that a solicitor is looking into the Scottish Empowerment Act as a means of Community Councils having more access to local authority decisions. It's in the early stages and <b>JRA</b> will update ECC on progress at future meeting. <b>JF</b> feels that some decisions/information should remain within Local Authority remits.</p> <p>Floral Gateway – <b>JRA</b> raised concerns that larger</p> | <p><b>LA, AM</b></p> <p><b>JRA, AM</b></p> <p><b>JRA</b></p> |

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|                                     | <p>areas like Galashiels are given large grants (£10000) while Eyemouth received £2500 yet the towns are judged in the same category. <b>JF</b> expressed that these areas have large scale events like common riding etc. therefore received larger amounts to support this. <b>ALL AGREED</b> that we should raise concern with SBC over judging categories to make them fairer in scale and financial support. <b>JRA</b> to email SBC.</p> <p>Planters – <b>JRA</b> reports they are making a difference to the illegal parking in the town centre. <b>LW</b> reports they can cause obstruction for low sighted/visually impaired persons. <b>JA</b> to discuss this with <b>LW</b> to seek possible resolutions. <b>JRA</b> reports of the negative feedback. <b>ALL AGREED</b> united response needed. <b>AM</b> to prepare response and distribute to ECC members.</p> <p>Chinese State Circus – <b>ALL AGREED</b> to show support. <b>JRA</b> to contact Darren Silcock</p> <p><b>JRA</b> reports that ECC are looking into signage for the car park overlooking the iceplant. This is still being used for overnight camping etc. Harbour Trust looking into CCTV.</p> <p>Request received for improvement to be made to the Watch House in the old cemetery. <b>ALL AGREED. JRA</b> to contact Darren Silcock.</p> | <p><b>JRA</b></p> <p><b>JA, LW</b></p> <p><b>AM</b></p> <p><b>JRA</b></p> <p><b>JRA</b></p> |
| <p><b>7. Secretary's Report</b></p> | <p><b>AM</b> advises that all emails are received sent from <a href="mailto:EymouthCC@outlook.com">EymouthCC@outlook.com</a>. <b>ALL AGREED</b> old email address to be closed. Noted thanks to Neil McMurdo for his continued support.</p> <p>Letter off support sent to Reston Rail support group.</p> <p>Letter of support sent to Harbour Trust in support of helipad.</p> <p>Letter of support sent to St Abbs Reservation in support of their funding application.</p> <p><b>AM</b> advises there are problems with Cllr Jim</p>  | <p><b>AM</b></p>  |

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|                             | Fullarton email address. <b>JF</b> to provide the details to <b>AM</b> .<br><b>DC</b> still unable to receive emails.   | <b>JF</b> |
| <b>8. Treasurers Report</b> | <p>Janette McCulloch has been unable to attend meetings to date.<br/><b>ALL AGREED</b> temporary replacement needed.<br/><b>JRA</b> proposed <b>JW</b> 2<sup>nd</sup> by <b>LA</b>. In place for 3 months.</p> <p><b>JRA</b> presented accounts:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RAGES membership sent</li> <li>• £60 received from 200 Club for use by Enhancement group</li> <li>• £18.51 spent on office supplies, £66 spent on white board map.</li> <li>• £308 received for memorial walk. Thanks to Eyecatcher group.</li> <li>• £250 still to come from SBC for 2017 enhancement grant.</li> </ul> <p>Accounts as of 30.02.18<br/>ECC £734.18<br/>ACE - £2996.38<br/>Memorial Walk - £308.30</p>   |           |
| <b>9. SBC Cllr's Report</b> | <p><b>Helen Laing –</b><br/><b>HL</b> reports SBC cannot assist with the Taxi parking issue at the entrance to Hinker Way as the correct licences have been sought for the taxi and the remaining vehicles are personal use.</p> <p>Borders College are holding an open day 31.01.18 2-7pm.</p> <p>Adult Learners Week 21 February 2018.</p> <p>Local Dementia Walks - See SBC website for details.</p> <p><b>HL</b> handed over to <b>JF</b> to discuss Localities Bid Fund.</p> <p><b>Jim Fullerton –</b><br/>Localities Bid Fund has published its short list. Voting papers are available locally.</p> <p><b>JRA, JW</b> presented their concerns over the finalist. <b>JW</b> received feedback from her application and it states she wasn't accepted due to being a constituted group, yet constituted groups are in</p> |           |

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|                                       | <p>the short list. She also shared that she was told it had to be “new” yet many of the finalists are existing groups requesting replacement equipment. <b>JF</b> advises that clever wording was needed and he shared the committees concerns over the remit given to applications and the support throughout the application process. <b>JF, HL</b> will provide information on the application process in the next round and will supply the name of SBC member able to support groups in making applications.</p> <p>Please note: During this open discussion councillor <b>JF</b> made a comment as follows to <b>JW</b> “oh woman, you don't half like a moan” This comment was addressed by <b>AM</b>.</p> <p>Area Partnership meets 01.02.18. <b>JRA</b> requested advanced warnings of these meeting as it's difficult to arrange attendance at such short notice.</p> | <b>JF, HL</b>  |
| <b>12. Church Street Action Group</b> | <b>Scottish Water presentation. Hardcopies available from Eyemouth Community Centre.</b>  |  |
| <b>13. Sub Groups</b>                 | <p>Enhancement Group – <b>JA</b> reports that he has found an existing map. <b>JA</b> seeking SBC consent to use existing map images. <b>ALL AGREED</b> only walks/toilets to be included.</p> <p><b>JA, JRA</b> looking into signage for the town. Town trails to start at Gunsgreen house car park.</p> <p>Community woodland area to be thinned out adding 2.5k walk/run. <b>ALL AGREED</b> to support this. <b>JRA</b> requested Cllr <b>JF, HL</b> support any future planning/development applications. <b>JF</b> advised of the small grants £5000.</p> <p>Paths – <b>DC</b> reports SBC have been along the proposed walkway, marking the route.</p> <p>Still awaiting Poo bin - <b>JF, HL</b> to chase up.</p>   | <p><b>JA</b></p> <p><b>JA, JRA</b></p> <p><b>JF, HL</b></p> <p><b>JF, HL</b></p> |
| <b>14. AOB</b>                        | Road surface (Harbour Road/Manse Road) uneven and taking a long time to fix. <b>JRA</b> emailed the company. Awaiting response.   | <b>JRA</b>   |
| <b>Date of Next</b>                   |   |  |

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