



EYEMOUTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING 26TH MARCH 2018

Apologies Annette ECC, Alice Fisher ACE, Lynsey Walker,

Attending: James Robert Anderson chairman, William Grant vice chair, Jan Weeks treasurer, John Aitchison, Lucy Anderson, Davina Collin, Morgan Gallagher, Arianna McChulloch, Hellen Laing, Jim Fullerton, Donald Duggon harbour trust, Tracy Dick ACE.

Minute and matters arising: Carron Burch from Abundant Borders name to be added to February minute. Approved proposer JW seconded WG

Police Report

Nil

Treasurer Report

Opening balance £4069.65

Ringfenced: for ACE £2806.38

Eyecatcher £308.30

ECC available funds £704.46

Expenditure for march 2018

14/3/18 ACE £190

24/3/18 enhancement grant £250

JRA travel £54.90

JRA postage .99p

JRA cable ties £4.62

Closing balance £4179.14

Secretary Report

- 1 Yellow Lines on Manse Rd – Darren Silcock will send a team to have a look at this and report back if he agrees work needs carried out.
- 2 Notice of application for grant of variation of premises licence for Contented Sole – Sent via email to CC members. SBC request any comments by Community Council to reach them by 12 April 2018.
- 3 Traffic Order – Thank you for the Community Cllrs responses. These were forward to SBC and their reply was distributed to CC members.
- 4 Planning application - Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse
SITE: Demerara St Ella's Place Eyemouth Scottish Borders
TD14 5HP. SBC request response by 04.04.18. (Davina Collin should ideally note her interest in this as it's her parents old house, this needs to be put in the minute).
- 5 Planning for extension of Parkdean – Email sent to SBC with CC approval but noted the concern for Barefoot residence if they use the entrance to the estate.

Chair Report

Annette Mcgrath current secretary has resigned as of the end of April due to family commitments. A replacement will be put in place at the AGM.

Berwick Area Partnership Councillor Helen considered that it was a very good meeting with ideas taken forward. The meetings are to be quarterly for the Councillors. Next meeting is to be on the 7th June with Health and Wellbeing the main topic. To try and get greater participation the time and venue are up for negotiation. Chairman referred to the fact that knowledge of the local area and bringing up Navigation opportunities to school children. The school is going to consult the older generation

ECC members attended Reston Community Council meeting and gained feedback on how to obtain grants

Library Consultation from 22nd March to 22nd April

ECC members attended Eyemouth Harbour Trust AGM, where a very positive outlook was given with the Red Bridge to be replaced by February 2019. Harbour cleanliness issues were discussed and greater effort is to be undertaken during summer period.

BHA Repairs, the Chairman reported that ECC was seeking to replace a member within the Board to get issues resolved in short timescale and that a Participation Request is being raised. Councillor Fullerton stressed that any tenant can join the Board if they attend the AGM which is in May. BHA has tri monthly meetings and following contractual issues with the builder, BHA have now agreed to undertake the repairs. JRA stated the participation request was altho formal a positive step forward using the powers given by the Scottish government and should be seen as positive moving forward.

Berwickshire Community Council Forum Social Media? Presentation on how to use social media for the best use.

Helen mentioned the new data protection rules Councillors need the approval of the person raising the concern before giving their details.

SBC REPORTS

Helen Active Schools; Congratulations to Eyemouth Primary School for winning Active School Award

Library consultation from 22.3.18 - 22.04.18.

Best new Borders Building Award - 4 categories are new build residential, new build non-residential, place making, extension or conversion Entry is free.
Entries by 11th May

Also raised by Jim but discussed generally was the Localities Bid Fund outcome and evaluation / feedback. Advice for groups to seek guidance from officers re

applications for next round and idea that we should have a public event to promote next time

Councillor Fullerton stated the Chain Bridge has been given Lottery Funding and that Duns Jim Clark Museum has also received funding. The Marine Reserve around St Abbs is being recorded and 3D Virtual Reality video will be produced which will allow many others to appreciate what lies beneath. Eyemouth Regeneration Fund still on going. Localities bid fund, Duns got 1500 votes, whereas the Men's Shed in Eyemouth only got 450 votes. Need to energise the whole community to achieve a fair way. Helen advised it would be a good idea to have an event and get votes in that way.

There was a discussion on how disorganised the process was and effectively it was unfair. However Sandy Aitchison is going to assist with the applications for Eyemouth the next time.

Eyemouth Post Office has a new Post Master in training and the Gift Shop part is being resurrected. Jill wants the public to advise her what they want her to sell within the gift shop. Councillor Fullerton advised on success of the Post Office in Cornhill which diversified in what it provides that community.

Website, the Chairman advised that Neil has been putting the minutes on the old website. The plan is to move over to the Eyemouth Living Website when it is up and running by SBC.

Paths we have received £490 back from SBC and the money for the Memorial Walk in full. It was discussed and agreed that some of the money should be used to overcome the flooding in certain areas of the paths.

Play Parks LA to meet with kelso skate park creator and fundraiser to get a report on how to raise the funds and drive the plan for a skate park forward. . Councillor Fullerton advised that the Kelso Skate Park is far better than the one at Gala. Lucy advised that Ali who brought the Kelso skate park to fruition is coming to Eyemouth after Easter to assist us.

Eyemouth Parking Areas Councillor Fullerton provided a copy of the Parking areas in Eyemouth. Areas have had a change to parking restrictions to help enable overnight parking in certain areas including harbour view car park. No overnight parking can now be enforced when problems arise.

Harbour Trust Donald who presently is the Vice Chairman gave a sitrep of their recent AGM. He advised that they are presently identifying what land the Harbour Trust owns around the harbour and surrounding areas. Their Business Manager is Christine, she is supported by a Harbour Master, his Deputy, a Staff member under training and a part time member at the weekend. Donald stated that 2017 was a better financial year, however it is still a very challenging time. The Harbour Trust are hoping to obtain work associated with a new Off Shore Wind Farm.

ACE Tracy the ACE treasurer advised that she had recently attended Jog Leaders Training to promote running in Eyemouth. They would like to spend more on advertising and obtain three Jog Leader Jumpers. They have developed a logo Eye Run, which will also take in Ayton. Councillor HL can take around the ethos to other Community Council. Tracy said that they are working with Dave (Twilight Run) and advised that there is an ACE Social Media page, with contact details. ACE will be helping with the Park Run. Funding from the ACE ring fenced to be spent on promotional items in the coming month, no objections to spending JRA to oversee.

Meeting next month to discuss the thinning out of the Woodland which extends from Eyemouth farm Cottages to the Golf Club.

Eight thousand pounds to help with raising the application, ECC/JRA looking to have local expertise apply for the funding needed using available funds from Jim Knight.

Morgan suggested taking the raw material and allow the children make what they came up with. Morgan to provide the Chairman with details.

It was agreed that Donald to come on as a Co Opted member of the Community Council, was proposed by LA and seconded by WG.

ECC to investigate the procurement of a speed camera as per that proposed at Reston Community Council. JRA to look into.

Arianna McCulloch videoed the meeting which streamed live to a select group. Future meetings will be live streamed.

A member of the public asked what is to happen with the old Town Council Building JRA reported noting that it is a listed building and EDCT are in the middle of stabilising the board and concentrating on splash.

Tracy asked if she would receive a copy of the minutes. JRA to add TD to distribution list.

SUBGROUP REPORTS

Tracy gave the following information

ACE Active Communities Eyemouth

Chair Alice Fisher

Secretary Joe Highet

Treasurer Tracy Dick

Sub Groups of ACE and Leaders

Twilight Run David Dempster

Running Club Tracy Dick

Park Run Fiona Wootton.

Funding for Eyerun promo agreed at end of meeting.

Other sub group reported still ongoing with works in and around the town, nothing new to report.

Next meeting MAY 28th 630pm, AGM 7PM Normal meeting. Eyemouth community centre room one.