

EYEMOUTH

COMMUNITY COUNCIL



Minuet for Tuesday 28th November 2017.

Attending, James Robert Anderson, John Aitchison, Murry Watt, William Grant, Lucy Anderson, Jan Weeks, Helen Laing, Pc Drew Young, Barry & Alison (RAGES)

Apologies, Jim Fullerton, Jannette McCulloch, Davina Collin, David Dempster, Lynsey Walker, Annette McGraith.

Meeting began with a talk by Barry and Alison from R,A,G,E,S regarding the reopening of Reston and east linton rail station. Currently in control period 6, which takes up to 2024. SBC & the Scottish government have allocated £2.8m each to the project. R,A,G,E,S UNDERTOOK AN APPRASAL THAT IDENTIFIED Eyemouth as one of the poorest for transportation links in the country. HL considered the station to be a great advantage to east Berwickshire, however moving forward the problem is network rail. Eyemouth Community Council voted unanimously to support R,A,G,E,S endeavours to obtain a rail station as the advantages to young people in the town would be huge and the potential for the project a bonus to the people in Eyemouth.

A letter is to be written in support of Reston station from ECC to network rail & transport Scotland, AM to be asked to action this. Contact Barrie Forrest BEM at barriejr@aol.com 2 the orchard, Reston Berwickshire TD145JT

Safety talk given by JRA.

Minuets approval and matters arising.

No matters arising, minuet proposed by WG and Seconded by LA

Treasurer Report.

ACC balance. £3800.07

£2996.36 ringfenced for ACE sub group, ACC to be opened in new year for ACE sub group.

£803.69 total ACC for ECC.

All accounts up to date with all receipts shown. It was agreed spending on secretary and office materials would be done over the next two months. Fantasy prints to make white presentation board and signs for various areas in the town. Account for enhancement group was made available for anyone to inspect.

SBC Reports

HL advised the smoking issue in salt greens had been resolved with an agreement five years ago. Residents who smoked when the no smoking rule was put in place were allowed access to a smoking room. New residents were not to use the smoking room and signed an agreement that they would not smoke on the premises. The smoking room has been closed after the last of the original residents no longer lived on the premises.

Continuing problem of mr & mrs young of albert roads new floor proof door still not resolved. WG advised three attempts have been made to fix the problem. MW of 13 church street and one other still to get new doors. Lack of action from SBC department, [HL will chase up and report back.](#)

David Meeks gave was reported as unresolved by WG. [HL to follow up](#)

Locality bid funds to be in by 1st December 2017. [Bids to be put in by JW, JA, JRA.](#)

Online forum from SBC power point package had insufficient funding from SBC. Cllr HL advised insufficient support from SBC.

Clarification on other issues was given, nothing to action.

Chairman report

VMR Voluntary Marine reserve to apply for £200,000.00 to pay for full time staff. £80,000 from blue marine and £120,000 from leader funding. VMR report can be obtained from them. Meeting was attended by WG & JRA.

John Lamont was contacted by JRA asking for support for the works to be completed in church street RE flooding. John Lamont agreed and JRA confirmed with Bill Elliot john had contacted them as promised.

BCCF facebook page is open and all community cllrs should be added to form an umbrella for the local community councils.

Pot holes in coop car park are to be fixed. JRA & JA met with Daren Silcock and the head of roads and infrastructure from SBC and it was agreed repairs would be done properly and coop car park to be closed so repairs can be done properly. Other street pot holes to be identified by JRA and will be added to list. Coldingham road will be repaired at the top of the hill. Anything bellow 20mm of a pavement wont be fixed and road pot holes must measure 40mm before repairs will be made.

Harbour Trust and illegal camping, a meeting was held regarding and following actions agreed, CCTV camera to be fitted to cover the long stay car park area. [Harbour trust to follow up.](#)

Legislation change to follow up over the next two years to have the car park protected by law against overnight parking. [Christine Harbour trust to follow up.](#)

Carpark to be designated long stay and visitors encouraged to use it. [Daren Silcock trust to follow up.](#)

Signage to direct campers to harbour trust facilities. [Harbour trust to follow up.](#)

BCCF hand book handed out and to be used by community councillors in their daily activities as community cllrs.

Name badges were handed out and to be worn at CC related events.

POLICE REPORT.

Drew Young reported

Current Campaigns

Your View Counts

Your View Counts was launched on 4th August.

Tell us what is important to you in your community – we need your opinion to inform our policing. Having your say in the decision making process of Police Scotland is a vital tool for residents of Scotland to be able to shape the way their public services should operate - and it just takes 5 minutes.

The online consultation is open all year which allows you to take part when it suits you but also gives the flexibility of being able to re-submit the consultation if your priorities change.

To take part in the survey, visit the Police Scotland website.

Operation Border Reiver

Monday 3rd October Police Scotland took part in a major counter-terrorism exercise – Operation Border Reiver. This was part of the Home Office National Counter-Terrorism Exercise Programme. The exercise started near Edinburgh and continued at smaller sites and individual properties across Scotland and the North East of England.

The exercise allowed the emergency services, Governments and other agencies to practice and plan for terrorist incidents, seeing a range of specialist Police Scotland resources at play for the exercise.

Road Safety (Speeding)

Speeding is an issue, particularly in built up areas and increases road casualties.

- Road Traffic Officers continue to conduct high visibility road checks across the Scottish Borders, enforcing traffic laws where offences have been detected.
- Police Scotland camera enforcement vehicle continues to be used throughout the area where appropriate.

5/10/17 – Whilst Officers were on uniformed mobile patrol they observed one male driving in an erratic manner on the A1107 in Eyemouth. Vehicle was stopped and male was issued with an ASBO warning.

11/10/17- Whilst officers were on uniformed mobile patrol on A1107 in Eyemouth they stopped a vehicle. After making checks on the Police National Computer it revealed the driver of the vehicle had no insurance. The male driver was cautioned and charged and vehicle was seized and uplifted by local garage.

Misuse of Drugs

You have concerns about the availability and supply of drugs

- Officers continue to gather drug related intelligence and prosecute known offenders.
- Officers continue to obtain warrants, search addresses and arrest, caution and charge known drug users and suppliers where evidence exists.

5/10/17 – Whilst Officers were carrying out routine mobile road checks on A1107, Toll Road, Eyemouth and two vehicles were stopped. Both vehicles were found to be smelling of cannabis. Both drivers were detained and found to be in possession of a personal amount of cannabis. They were issued with a Recorded Police Warning and Stop and Search Receipts.

9/10/17 – Information received re male dealing and being in possession of drugs. After receiving this information, one male was found in possession of herbal matter. He was issued with a Recorded Police Warning.

Rural Thefts

Thefts from houses and farms, particularly in the more rural areas are of concern to you:

No Incidents

Antisocial behaviour

You told us that rowdy drunken disorderly behaviour was occurring within your community:

9/10/17 – Several calls received reporting youths being on roof of old nursery at Eyemouth Primary School. They have removed windows and caused damage. The windows have now been boarded up and building re-secured. Enquiries ongoing.

13/10/17 – Call received re anti-social behaviour from youths. Informant stated that youths often congregate in Deanhead Park in the evenings when it is dark and they shout abuse at members of the public when they pass by the park. Community Officer made aware and cover shift officers to give passing attention in the evenings.

16/10/17 - Call received re about 20 youths making lots of noise and causing a disturbance outside the Home Arms Guest House on High St. They were disturbing the residents. Officers attended but there were no youths on police arrival.

18/10/17 – Report of vandalism to a shop window on the High Street. Enquiries ongoing.

22/10/17 - Call received re about 17 youths making lots of noise and causing a disturbance outside the Home Arms Guest House on High St. Officers attended and spoke with 8 youths with suitable advice given.

31/10/17 – Call received re anti-social behaviour from youths in the Haymons Cove area resulting in a pumpkin being damaged. Officers attended but there were no youths on police arrival.

6 warning tickets issued to vehicles parked on both pavement and double yellow lines within the High Street area.

Please e-mail any feedback to:- EastberwickshireCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk

Issue raised was parking on corner of entrance to Hinkar Way as a road safety issue for children crossing and vehicles using the junction as visibility is hindered. HL to follow up with DY.

Meeting to be held at 11.45am meeting at Eyemouth police station on 13th December regarding play park safety and what remedial action can be carried out to stop problem behaviours from local youths.

SUB GROUPS

Playparks, LA to head up a skate park funding project which would require a long term dedicated team. **Lucy to be supported by other council members and public.**

Enhancement group will continue with ongoing projects around the town with bulb planting and working with school groups. **DY to join in with school groups planting sessions.**

Complaints of vehicles on pavements from several members of the public require action as a safety concern, WG voiced opinions for several members of the public who have had near misses with cars driving along pavements, JA confirmed he had talked with some of the same people and experienced a near miss with an HGV himself while working with the enhancement group. Prams who need to walk along the road against the flow of traffic, while pavements are blocked with no visibility they are forced to go onto the road if it is an HGV or car is parked on the pavement. DY agreed to give fines after two months of issuing warnings to the same people repeatedly. No parking signs, no dog fouling signs and other leaflet information was handed out by DY and it was agreed Enhancement group planters would be used to display no parking signs and ECC would support the efforts to stop pavement parking in any way deemed necessary as a joint group effort to make pavements safer. JA & WG agreed it was sad this action was needed for safety reasons as disabled people getting taxis to shops would be affected but the safety of the public had to be a primary concern. Pavement safety will be a priority.

A meeting will be held on 13th December to address the vandalism and anti-social behaviour at the dean head play park. 11.45am and other heads of departments will attend to assess the difficulties and how to resolve issues. This was welcomed by everyone after LA has been patrolling the park in mornings to ensure no more trip traps had been set to trip an individual who is partially sighted.

BHA long term problems regarding snagging issues in the new housing. Jim Fullerton was to look into these issues but no progress on any of the complaints. **HL to follow up.**

NEXT MEETING 29TH January 2018.