

# EDDLESTON & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

212<sup>th</sup> meeting: Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2020 at Eddleston Village Hall

	Topic/Key Discussion/Agreement	Action
1	<p><b>ATTENDANCE:</b> James Taylor (Chair), Kirsty Peebles (vicechair), Gill Gracie (secretary), Jo Oliver, Elizabeth Taylor, Iain Dempster, Colin Dadford, Cllr Small, Cllr Anderson and 4 members of the public, Sandra Macaskill (Caskie Co Consultancy Services)</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Callum MacDonald, Amy Bartlett</p>	
	<p><b>21<sup>st</sup> Century EDDLESTON - consultation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An outline of timeline for a whole community consultation to inform the development of a community action plan was shared by Sandra Macaskill and the local group responsible for leading this work.</li> <li>Next step is to share focus of the consultation with local groups and enable them to feed into the content / questions that will be asked. A number of opportunities were identified including the Parent Council, OOSC committee meetings etc.</li> <li>Cllr Anderson suggested that it might be helpful to ask people to consider dream v nightmare scenarios.</li> <li>Ian offered pub as possible venue for discussions and as a drop off point for questionnaires.</li> <li>It was agreed that the meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> should start at 7.30pm to allow time to review proposed content / format for the consultation.</li> <li>The local group is in touch with SBC grants team re funding – Cllrs to contact to reinforce their support for the bid and to allay concerns about ‘staff costs’</li> </ul>	<p>Cllr Anderson Cllr Small to email Kenny Harrow re funding</p> <p>Local group to seek feedback on content of consultation ahead of next meeting and bring proposed format for discussion.</p> <p>26<sup>th</sup> Feb meeting to be scheduled for an earlier start to create space for this discussion.</p>
2	<b>MINUTES</b> – Minutes of the December meeting were approved	
3	<p><b>MATTERS ARISING –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Code of conduct agreed by all Community Council members present – accounts etc can now be submitted to SBC. KP to circulate to other CC members</li> </ul>	ET to send accounts to SBC
4	<p><b>ACCOUNTS –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>James, ASC treasurer, to get in touch re donation to OOSC – needs to be paid in this financial year</li> <li>£1220 currently in bank account</li> </ul>	ET
5	<b>OPEN FLOOR QUESTIONS / VILLAGE MATTERS</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eddleston Out of School Club (OOSC) has had the offer to move to school March / April. There was a discussion about potential impact on hall finances. Other people will use hall in pm. Broadband will need to be taken on by the hall committee. Important that people see it’s being used. Use will generate use. Ian Reed – West Linton -has done a lot with village hall. Kirsty is going to do some research with local village hall. Portakabin in playground re storage – OOSC need to fundraise for that.</li> <li>Colin shared information about the Internet of Things – monitoring tech eg boilers / local lighting / HAs are using.</li> </ul>	KP to contact local village halls to find out more about how they generate business
6	<b>POLICING &amp; SECURITY</b>	
	<p><b>From the police report:</b> A driving incident was reported. Kirsty to send report to Colin. Haven’t seen community police officer recently. There was supposed to be a new reporting system – but we’ve not seen any sign of it.</p>	KP to send police report to Colin.
7	<b>TRANSPORT, ROADS &amp; FOOTPATHS</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jeremy Cunningham provided an update on progress with the multi-use path: Eddleston Water Path. 2x separate funds have granted – 1 is to take Eddleston Water</li> </ul>	

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	<p>Path to the point where it can be built i.e. answer all planning conditions and tender docs ready to go. This work needs to be done by April. The 2<sup>nd</sup> fund looks at how the path links into the village – and into the Tweed Railway path to Innerleithen. PCT is administering the funding from Places for Everyone (Scot Gov Dept of Transport Funding). Hopefully SBC will take on the building of it – going to look for SOSIP / SOSE match funding later in the year and hoping SBC will contribute. The design is for a path which ‘an unsupervised 12 year old can move along safely’.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Speed Cameras</b> George has spoken with SBC re firm points of reference. Meeting at Napier 4<sup>th</sup> Feb. One of the panels still not working – Colin has flagged with SBC</li> </ul>	
<b>8</b>	<b>ENVIRONMENTAL &amp; AMENITY ISSUES</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Landscaping</b> - Neil Pringle to be invited to March meeting re landscaping.</li> <li>• <b>Resilient Communities</b> - There was a short discussion about resilient communities and agreement that needs more thought, and thinking broadly about what makes a resilient community – perhaps something to consider within the context of the community consultation</li> <li>• <b>Lights on school path</b> – there was a lack of clarity about whether or not these had been fixed – KP to check</li> </ul>	<p><b>KP to invite</b>  <b>Include related questions in community consultation</b>  <b>KP to check status of school path lighting</b></p>
<b>9</b>	<b>PLANNING</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No new planning applications</li> <li>• <b>Scots Pine Tea room</b> - James has been informed it is going to be relet as a catering facility.</li> <li>• <b>Barony lodges</b> - recent chat is all about landscaping. Need better screening between development and A703 – fence not suitable ‘estate edge’. Comments are in re access / separate pedestrian route. Wheelchairs need particular consideration in this – dangerous if no separate path. No update as yet from planning team.</li> <li>• <b>Cloich</b> - 16, 140m turbines by EDF. That has been changed again – now 12x 145m turbines. NO environmental impact statement until it is clear where they will be situated. 19<sup>th</sup> Feb, EDF booked in Village Hall. Action: KP to contact developer to clarify if this is something the community can attend.</li> </ul>	<p><b>KP to follow up</b></p> <p><b>KP to follow up</b></p>
<b>10</b>	<b>REPORTS</b>	
	<p>Cllr Anderson explained that the budgeting process will be difficult this year. Normally UK budget declared in December. Chancellor has said budgets will be announced 11<sup>th</sup> March (when council tax bills are issued). SBC will have to confirm council tax and budget before the UK budgets are confirmed 26 Feb– Cllr Anderson suggested Council finance team will probably assume the worst, and top up if that proves possible.</p>	
<b>11</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE - NONE</b>	
<b>12</b>	<b>AOB</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Horseshoe pub quiz is restarting on first Thursday of the month – 4 to a team</li> <li>• Horseshoe would be up for funding a short newsletter eg 1 page A4 – once a month. Colin offered to help with distribution...social media still a good way to reach households in outlying households.</li> <li>• Next CC deadline for copy in March and April</li> </ul>	
<b>13</b>	<b>NEXT MEETING DATE - Wednesday 26 Feb 2020 in Eddleston Village Hall @ 7.30pm</b>	
<p><i>These are draft minutes until agreed at the next CC meeting. If you have any comments to make on these or any other issues, please get in touch via <a href="mailto:secretary@edlestoncc.org.uk">secretary@edlestoncc.org.uk</a></i></p> <p><i>If you would like to speak to us about an issue in person and can't make the meeting dates, CC members try to attend the weekly Bite &amp; Blether on at least two Wednesdays every month.</i></p>		