**BONNYRIGG & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting held at**

**7.30pm on 13 October 2022 in Lasswade Centre**

**Present:** Jan Irvine, Diane Easton, John Aitchison, Kirsty Malley, Alison Thompson, Fiona Warner, Dougie West, James Cameron, Joyce Bernard, Joan Sumner, Elizabeth MacDonald, Bill MacDonald, Paul Whyte.

**Attending:**  Cllrs D Milligan, Cllrs D Alexander, and Cllrs D Virgo

C Hornell, Catherine Dunns, Paul Johnstone.

**Apologies:** S Waterston, J Gracoeiro, and Marnie Crawford.

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| **1** | **Welcome** |  |
| 1.1 | Chair welcomed everyone to the first ordinary meeting of the new BDCC |  |
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| **2** | **Minutes** |  |
| 2.1 | The minuets of the previous meeting were not available for the PHCC. However, looking at the PHCC records it was found that the last meeting called was a joint meeting of the PHCC and BLCC on the 21 July 2022 in the library of the Lasswade Centre.  The minuets of the previous meeting were not available for the BLCC. However, looking at the PHCC records it was found that the last meeting called was the September 2022 meeting in the library of the Lasswade Centre.  These minuets will be submitted at a later date | **JA**  **DE** |
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| **3** | **Police Report** |  |
| 3.1 | The police are dealing with an ongoing incident and hope to issue a Police Report for the area soon. |  |
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| **4** | **Visitor Matters** |  |
| 4.1 | Chair invite Mr I Parkinson to speak. He asked about how the CC was funded and advertised. |  |
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| **5** | **Finance Report** |  |
| 5.1 | A verbal finance report was given by  J Aitchison for the PHCC £ 280.94  B MacDonald for the BLCC £3485.58 |  |
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| **6.** | **Secretary’s Report** |  |
| 6.1 | F Warner reported that we had been invited to the Remembrance Service at Polton Memorial.  There was no further correspondence in the last month reported from the previous two Secretaries and the new joint Secretaries of the BDCC took the office. |  |
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| **7** | **Associated Members Report** |  |
| 7.1 | Chair issued an invitation for groups wishing to become associated members of the new Community Council. |  |
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| **8** | **Midlothian Councillors’ Report** |  |
| 8.1 | D Milligan spoke on the Bus service, closure of the Distributor Road, prevention of closure of Elm Row, parking restrictions at St Marys School and Lothian Street, Bonnyrigg Christmas lights and Midlothian Council Funding |  |
| 8.2 | D Alexander spoke on the parking restrictions at St Marys School, and Midlothian Council Funding |  |
| 8.3 | D Virgo Spoke on the Midlothian Council Funding |  |
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| **9** | **Midlothian Traffic, Roads and Paths [MTRaP]** |  |
| 9.1 | An update from D Easton on the workings of MTRaP and a report from the last Meeting. D Easton also gave an update on the Midlothian Federation of Community Council and a report from the last Meeting. |  |
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| **10** | **Committee Reports** |  |
| 10.1 | A report from J Aitchison on setting up a Bonnyrigg Resilience Committee. |  |
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| **11** | **Planning** |  |
| 11.1 | A report from M Crawford on monthly planning matters was read by D Easton. |  |
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| **12** | **AOCB** |  |
| 12.1 | Remembrance Day Wreaths |  |
| 12.1.1 | It was agreed that.  M Crawford attends the Lasswade Service and lays the Wreath on behalf of the Community.  J Irvine and D Easton attends the Parade and Service at King George V Park and lays the Wreath on behalf of the Community.  J Aitchison attends the Parade and Service at Polton Memorial and lays the Wreath on behalf of the Community. |  |
| 12.2 | Alignment of Midlothian Community Council AGM days |  |
| 12.2.1 | Due to shortage of time, it was agreed to discuss this item at our net meeting |  |
| 12.3 | Funding for Gala Days and Bonnyrigg Christmas Lights Ceremony |  |
| 12.3.1 | J Aitchison spoke on the merits of supporting the Gala Days and Bonnyrigg Christmas Lights Ceremony and how in previous years it was funded through the Midlothian Council small grands which fund Midlothian Community Council and projects of the Midlothian Community Council. It was vote on by the BDCC and approved. As B MacDonald is completing the small grants funding application, he was instructed to include this in the funding application. |  |
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| **14** | **Details of the next meeting** |  |
| 14.1 | Chair set the date of the next meeting on 10 November 2022 |  |
| 14.2 | Members were reminded that the November meeting will contain the setting up of the aims and objectives of the Bonnyrigg and District Community Council and invite all to put forward nominations of aims to be submitted |  |
| 14.3 | Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and declare the meeting closed. |  |