



# The Royal Burgh of Selkirk and District Community Council

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## Minute: Meeting held in the Committee Room, Victoria Halls, Selkirk on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2010, at 7pm

- 1) **Present:** Community Councillors Gordon Edgar (chair), Dr. Lindsay Neil (vice-chair), Tom Combe (treasurer), Caroline Cruikshank, Graham Easton, Jim Gibson, Bob Kerr, Ian King, John Munro and Alistair Pattullo. No Scottish Borders Councillors were present.

[also in attendance: PC Bob Miller (until end of item 6), no member of the Press and 3 members of the public]

In the absence of the Secretary, Cllr. Munro agreed to take notes. Chairman Gordon Edgar reminded those present that all comments should be addressed through the chair, and that all recording devices should be switched off.

- 2) **Apologies:** were received from Community Councillors David Bethune (secretary) and Scottish Borders Councillors Vicky Davidson and Carolyn Riddell-Carre.
- 3) **The minutes of the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June** were approved (proposed: B. Kerr; seconded: A. Pattullo).
- 4) **Matters arising from the minute not otherwise included on agenda**  
Re June meeting, item 14, it was noted that any grants to third parties should follow the SBC code of practice "following the public pound".
- 5) **Declarations of interest** – none.
- 6) (a) **Lothians and Borders Police**  
PC B. Miller reported on 29 crimes recorded, and 18 crimes solved, during June.  
G. Edgar made the police aware of the vandalism in the grounds of Haining House.  
I. King raised ongoing concerns about speeding motorists in Ettrick terrace.
- (b) **SB Wardens**  
no report
- 7) **Planning:**  
(a) **Planning applications considered:**

	application	applicant	action / comments
(i)	10/00785/PPP: erection of 4 dwelling houses, land west of 1 Fairfield Drive	P. Hermiston	recommended refusal
(ii)	10/00965/AMC: erection of dwelling house, land south of Ladywood, Lower Greenhill Farm	Barbara Neil	recommended approval in principle
(iii)	10/00892/FUL and 10/00891/LBC: replacement windows, Linden Lea, 15 Scotts Place	Mr S Finlay	recommended approval

**OPEN FORUM** (taken at 7.30pm)

(a) Mr. Harkness expressed concern about the **state of footpaths**, in Shawpark Cemetery and in the footbridge area. These concerns will be raised with Robert Mathison of SBC for action.

(b) Dougie Purves raised the following issues:

- a. the ongoing problem of **blocked drains in Dunsdale Road**
- b. the lack of **young apprentices** being taken on in Selkirk
- c. whether the names are known of the local residents whose **footprints** are in the pavement by the footbridge; C. Cruickshank will pass on this information.
- d. a **defective lamp-post** in Selkirk Haugh still not repaired

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**Comment:** addition, requested at August meeting

**8) Reports from SBC Councillors:**

- (a) **Councillor Riddell-Carre:** not present – no report
- (b) **Councillor Davidson:** not present – no report
- (c) **Councillor Gunn:** not present – no report

**9) Common Good Fund Operation** – L. Neil reported on ongoing legal processes re Common Good assets.

L. Neil will issue a paper for discussion and approval at the next meeting, to be sent as a proposal to ASCC (Association of Scottish Community Councils). The Council commended Kirstin Scott for her ongoing work, given freely, towards establishing a complete and accurate Common Good Asset Register for the Royal Burgh of Selkirk. [The contributions of all those involved in the working group, drawn together by Cllr. Neil, with the approval of the Council, is appreciated.]

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**10) Correspondence**

	<b>Item</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>Action</b>
(a)	Safer Communities information leaflets (circulated electronically)	SBC	noted
(b)	Winter Service review consultation	SBC	B. Kerr to respond on behalf of the Council

**11) Reports from Sub-committees and associated groups**

- (a) **Selkirk Hill Management Group** – G. Edgar gave a brief report.
- (b) **Plattling Twinning Group** – nothing to report, but a request was made for SBC to clean the Plattling Plaque at the foot of the Fleshmarket Steps.

**12) Reports from working group**

- (a) **Evening Study Groups** – T. Combe gave a brief report. Reference was made to the voluntary code of conduct for Community Councils, and its relevance to future grants to support the evening study groups.

**13) Community Council Finance:** noted

**14) Selkirk signage:** A. Pattullo circulated an image showing proposed new signage for Selkirk. It was agreed that further discussion was required, and A. Pattullo to set up a working group to take this forward.

**15) Reports from other community organisations and outside bodies - none**

**16) Other business**

- (a) **ASCC local area representative:** B. Kerr was proposed (L. Neil) and seconded (G. Edgar) for re-election as ASCC local area representative at the ASCC Regional meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> September.
- (b) **Item from 8<sup>th</sup> February:** L. Neil asked for it to be minuted that the item from the 8<sup>th</sup> February meeting has still not been resolved.

**Next scheduled meeting of the Royal Burgh of Selkirk and District Community Council:**  
**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2010 at 7.00 p.m.** in the Committee Room, Victoria Halls, Selkirk.

The Meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Adoption of minutes:

Proposed: ..... Seconded: .....

Signed: ..... (chairman) Date: .....