

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**Held in Gullane Village Hall on Thursday 29 September 2011**

**Minutes are subject to adoption at the next meeting**

**Present:**

A McIntosh	Gullane (In Chair)	V Sked	Gullane
A Steel	Dirleton	PC Banks	Lothian & Borders Police
D Sutherland	Gullane	L Ogilvie	Secretary
G Fraser	Gullane		
H Heenan	Aberlady		

Item	Title	Action By
<b>1</b>	<p><b>APOLOGIES</b></p> <p>AMcI welcome everyone to the meeting then accepted apologies as follows:            Apologies were received from the following: JF, JA, RAand Cllr Rankin.</p>	
<b>2</b>	<p><b>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</b></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true reflection of the meeting with one alteration regarding the traffic impact survey. The sentence should read with the omission of Colin Baird's name at the beginning of the sentence.</p>	
<b>3</b>	<p><b>LOCAL PRIORITIES</b></p> <p>An application had been received from Gullane Flower Club to assist with their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations in September 2012. The committee had reviewed the application and recommended that a sum of £300 be awarded.</p> <p>The sum of £6,800 remains for allocation to further projects. HH advised of a possible application from Aberlady for the purchase of mobile bowling mats.</p>	
<b>4</b>	<p><b>MATTERS ARISING – REPLIES TO CORRESPONDENCE</b></p> <p>A letter had been written to ELC withdrawing support for fixed bollards at the top of Goose Green – the proposal for bollards had not had the full support of the residents of the area.</p>	
<b>5</b>	<p><b>POLICE REPORT</b></p> <p>PC Banks reported to the meeting as follows:</p> <p><b>Aberlady</b>            Illegal parking on the crossing outside the Londis Store.            2/9 &amp; 8/9 Youth calls regarding youths shining laser pens into houses opposite the church and at oncoming traffic Any details should be passed to PC Banks.            17/9 – Straw bales set alight at Luffness. Over £2,000 worth of damage was caused.</p> <p><b>Gullane</b>            2/9 – Youth calls to Goose Green with 6 youths caught with alcohol. Letters have been sent to their parents.            10/11 to 11/9 overnight – calls regarding a disturbance in the Hall Cresc/Main Road/Goose Green area – with bins being thrown around. A car and several garden ornaments were damaged.            As in Aberlady there are issues with parking on the crossing. If caught there is a fine and three penalty points.</p>	

	<p><b>Dirleton</b> There have been speed camera checks in the area which will continue over the next few months. There have been problems with speeding cars at Yellowcraigs.</p> <p><b>Drem</b> Nothing to report.</p> <p><b>Road Traffic</b> There have been five accidents in the area – all would appear to be attributable to driver error.</p> <p>It was noted that there have been pedlars in the area selling door to door – any such instances should be reported to the Police.</p>	
6	<p><b>PLANNING MATTERS</b></p> <p><b>Saltcoats Road</b> Following a meeting between AMcl, JF and the Captain and Secretary of Gullane Golf Club the application for the realignment of the road was withdrawn. It was noted that a local petition against the proposal had obtained over 350 signatures. Everyone was in agreement that this had been a good decision although it was felt a pity that Gullane Golf Club had not made a direct approach to the Community Council for their views at the outset. As yet the Developer has not set out an alternative plan.</p> <p><b>Fenton Barns, Sewerage works</b> Plans will be available to view at the Archery Centre on 26<sup>th</sup> October between 12 noon and 8pm to which a number of Community Councillors will attend. There was no mention of a housing application – this had been the problem with the previous plans presented some time ago.</p> <p>East Lothian Housing strategy 2012-2015 is available online for comments until 30<sup>th</sup> November <a href="http://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/lhs">www.eastlothian.gov.uk/lhs</a></p> <p>It was noted that the application for a nursery (children) at Fenton Barns had been approved.</p>	
7	<p><b>VILLAGE REPORTS</b></p> <p><b>Dirleton</b> Dirleton Green – parking area will go ahead and SS has been advised that the standard will be equal to the area created at Goose Green, Gullane. Hanging baskets had been maintained by villagers on a rota basis – they had been taken down yesterday. Wine tasting – will take place on 11<sup>th</sup> November. Tickets (£12.50) and further details are available from SS.</p> <p><b>Gullane</b> GF advised that items pending are Templar Lodge and also the Doctors surgery. It was noted that the Templar Lodge site looks much tidier. The deer problem has been successfully managed and a small cull has taken place. There has been signage posted in the car park area and at various other locations throughout the area to educate the public on the reasons for this cull. SNH will take another deer count in November – not from a vehicle but on foot. AMcl has spoken with ELC regarding their refusal to allow a cull to take place on their land.</p> <p>A lady in attendance at the meeting felt that signage had not been adequate as she had walked on the beach area without having sight of the signage and the first she had been aware of the cull was when she heard shots nearby. AMcl advised that the gentlemen undertaking the cull were very professional, well qualified shots who would not take any unsafe shots. Steve Baldry advised that</p>	

	<p>signage had been placed on dog bins and round the car park area but the point made would be taken on board. Signage to advise motorists of deer in the area was suggested – there is some signage between Archerfield and Luffness – this has been previously discussed with ELC.</p> <p><b>Aberlady</b> HH advised that the situation with the bus shelter in the Main Street is ongoing.</p> <p><b>Drem</b> SM advised that a noticeboard will not be located at the station. The works to the roadway to create a mid section for use when crossing the road is ongoing – hopefully should be done before the end of this financial year as promised.</p>	
8	<p><b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b></p> <p><b>Community Planning Partnership – ‘Enjoy Leisure’ booklet.</b> SS spoke to this subject of using charitable companies to control areas currently under ELC control – such as leisure. SS had emailed a document to Community Councillors with his thoughts on the issues which could be used to formulate a response to ELC. There were concerns regarding the amount of savings quoted and it was agreed that a letter ought to be sent. It was felt prudent to add that the CC had come across these arrangements and meetings by accident – no invitation to comment or to attend meetings had come directly to the CC. LO will put together a letter.</p> <p><b>Coastal Community Museum</b> There had been a misunderstanding regarding nomination of a representative (John Fergie) to this committee. It transpired that John’s name had been put forward without his prior consent – although John is happy to be part of this initiative. GF will write to John apologising for this error. John will report on progress to forthcoming CC meetings.</p> <p>AMcI will pass correspondence on small wind turbines to JF.</p> <p>SM advised that the consultation process is still open for the turbines at West Fortune – there is an issue with visibility in this location.</p> <p>Cllr Mackinnon is to be invited to the next meeting to speak to the matter of Community Partnerships – it is hoped he will give an overview of the process.</p>	
9	<p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> The next meeting will take place in Dirleton Church Hall at 7pm on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2011.</p>	