

**GULLANE AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

(Representing Aberlady, Dirleton, Drem and Gullane)

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 30th May 2019

Held in Gullane Village Hall

Minutes are subject to adoption at the next meeting

Present	Tom Drysdale (TD)	Dirleton
	Malcolm Duck (MD)	Aberlady
	Gordon McLelland (GM)	Gullane
	Dorothy Arthur (DA)	Gullane
	Martin White (MW)	West Fenton
	James Barbour (JB)	Aberlady
	Frank Neate (FN)	Aberlady

In Attendance Cllr Jane Henderson (Cllr JH), Cllr Jeremy Findlay (Cllr JF) and Cllr Jim Goodfellow (Cllr JG)  
 Bonnie Macmillan (BM-GACC Secretary)  
 members of the public

Item	Title	Action By
1	<b>Welcome and Apologies</b> TD welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies were received from: Karen Chapman (Gullane), John Hendry (Gullane), Sian Morris (Drem) and Les Sibbald (Gullane). As the meeting was not quorate any decisions taken would be subject to approval via email with the absent voting members.	N/A
2	<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b> The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.	N/A
3	<b>Actions From Last Meeting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr JH to arrange a meeting with Aberlady GACC members and ELC Landscape and Countryside Reps re Aberlady Bay Nature Reserve parking issues. <b>Carried Forward</b></li> <li>• TD and MD met with and Cllr JF to discuss road markings between Gullane and Luffness and TD subsequently spoke with Tom Reid, ELC head of infrastructure . The new double white lines will be carried out in the next week and will allow limited space for overtaking south of the top Luffness corner .</li> <li>• The planning application seeking a change of use for Gullane Gym has been withdrawn. For the moment the council will take no further action on this matter.</li> <li>• Cllr JH informed the council that there is funding in place for electric car charging points. GM will continue coordinating GACC efforts in this area.</li> <li>• KC has explained what the GACC insurance covers to members in an email.</li> <li>• Many Gullane residents have complained that the location of the</li> </ul>	Cllr JH  N/A  N/A  GM  N/A

3	<p>Muirfield Care Home sign and nearby tree in Gullane are making it hard for drivers to see. Cllrs JH and JF will liaise with ELC re placement of the sign in the planning application.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The clock above Goose on the Green in Gullane is now operational.</li> <li>• TD and JB have re-examined previous correspondence regarding ELC road cleaning in Aberlady. They are happy with the initial response from ELC, therefore no further action will be taken.</li> </ul>	<p>Cllr JH/JF</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>N/A</p>
4	<p><b>Aberlady and Gullane Drainage Issues</b>  TD had received a response from the CEO of SEPA to the letter he had written to him and had circulated copies to council members. He will reply to it, seeking clarity as to a timeline of when “work” might be carried out and asking SEPA to erect a sign in the interim that would warn people of the possibility of overflow in the area. TD also requested that if FN continued corresponding with SEPA he make clear that he is acting as an individual and not as a representative of GACC.</p>	<p>TD</p> <p>FN</p>
5	<p><b>Membership</b>  In order to be quorate there must be 7 voting members present. There are 2 vacant spaces for members from Aberlady and 1 from Dirleton</p>	<p>N/A</p>
6	<p><b>Local Priorities Fund</b>  There are no new applications to discuss. JH will recirculate an email asking for consensus from GACC members re: a second payment to Gullane Bowling Club.</p>	<p>JH</p>
7	<p><b>Treasurer’s Report</b>  The report was circulated to the members prior to the meeting.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
8	<p><b>Police Report</b>  TD summarised the information contained in the Police Report. The main areas of concern remain car relate crime and parking fines.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
9	<p><b>Website and Communications</b>  The GACC web page continues to reach 200-250 people each month. GM needs a photo and biography from LS and a biography from MD to add to the web page.  The GACC Facebook page has people responding to specific posts on a continual basis.</p>	<p>LS/MD</p>
10	<p><b>Planning</b>  This has been a quiet month apart from the Castlemains, Dirleton, appeal in which the Scottish Government reporter overturned the ELC planning decision and has allowed the development to go forward.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

11	<p><b>Village Reports</b></p> <p><b>Gullane</b> DA reported that yellow lines have been added at the east end of the village to prevent on-road parking adjacent to the construction sites there. GM reported that plans are moving forward for electric car charging points on Saltcoats Road. When these are finalised GM will circulate them on the GACC Website and Facebook page. GM reported ongoing problems with the street lights in Gullane. He has reported this on the ELC website, but has had no response. GM and Cllr JF will investigate further and report back. Cllr JF informed GACC that the Gullane Area Tenants and Residents Association will meet on June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Scout Hall. A questionnaire will be distributed in the village before the meeting with the results being discussed at the meeting.</p> <p><b>Aberlady</b> JB reported that ELC have said there are six years' worth of burial space left in the Aberlady church yard. MD reported village concerns regarding no public toilets in Aberlady.</p> <p><b>Dirleton</b> TD reported on the right of way obstruction on New Mains Farm. DVA is pursuing this with input from TD. TD also reported that the Dirleton Village Fete and Games will be on Saturday 22 June and people from all the villages are welcome to attend.</p> <p><b>Drem</b> Nothing to Report</p> <p><b>West Fenton</b> MW reported that the quiet roads initiative may pop up in June.</p>	GM & Cllr JF
12	<p><b>North Berwick Coastal Area Partnership (NBCAP)</b></p> <p>The annual public meeting was well attended. TD reported that the majority of requests for funding have come from groups in North Berwick as opposed to the villages, with the thrust of spending relating to social welfare activities in North Berwick. MW commented on the lack of transparency and the fact that meeting minutes are not available. TD is to put in a request that the minutes be published online.</p>	TD
13	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p>TD spoke about the letter circulated to community councils regarding the Edinburgh Clinical Research Facility. JB commented that this is a worthwhile project and encouraged GACC to support it. TD would suggest to the Association of East Lothian community Councils that this is done on a county-wide basis.</p>	TD

The next meeting will take place on 27 June 2019 at 7:00PM in the Dirleton Kirk Hall