

GULLANE AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

(Representing Aberlady, Dirlerton, Drem and Gullane)

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 29 August 2019

Held in Gullane Village Hall (small hall)

Minutes are subject to adoption at the next meeting

Present	Malcolm Duck	Aberlady
	James Barbour	Aberlady
	Gordon McLelland (GM)	Gullane
	Les Sibbald	Gullane
	Martin White (MW)	West Fenton
	Frank Neate (FN)	Aberlady

In Attendance ELC Councillor Jim Goodfellow (Cllr JG) , ELC Councillor Jane Henderson (Cllr JH), Bonnie Macmillan (BM – GACC Secretary); Members of the public and East Lothian Courier representative

Item	Title	Action By
1	Welcome and Apologies MD welcomed all to the meeting and noted it was not quorate. Apologies were received from Tom Drysdale (Dirlerton), Karen Chapman (Gullane), John Hendry (Gullane), Dorothy Arthur (Gullane), Sian Morris (Drem), ELC Councillor Jeremy Findlay and PC Paterson.	N/A
2	Minutes of the Previous Meeting The minutes were approved.	N/A
3	Matters Arising and Actions From Last Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">Cut out police officers – TD advised the council by memo that he has communicated our decision to North Berwick Community Council to proceed and they are arranging the purchase with police. The police will be accepting suggestions as to where to display the cut outs.Gullane TRA – TD advised by memo that he has asked Cllr JF to report on the identity of committee members, if minutes are taken at meetings and if they are distributed and to whom.Aberlady Drainage – Shona Grant, Team Manager, Public Health and Environmental Protection, Environmental Health Service, ELC has agreed to meet to discuss posting of warning notices at CSO points, the meeting is being arranged for September. TD to report back on meeting.Gullane Litter – Cllr JH has discussed this with Eamon John, Head of Landscape and Countryside at ELC and he is looking at what action should be taken. A new larger bin has been supplied.Street Lights in Gullane – Tony Martin has advised that he is not pursuing his complaint	N/A N/A TD N/A N/A

3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gullane Bents Toilets – Cllr JH is in conversation with Eamon John, Head of Landscape and Countryside ELC and Tom Reid, Head of Infrastructure ELC about a long term plan for Toilet facilities in East Lothian. The Gullane Bents toilets are now open and usable though not in the best condition or location. Cllr JG suggested that a short term refurb with an eye to a longer term relocation might be a way forward with short term funding possibly coming from NBCAP. There is more to discuss at a future meeting. 	All
4	<p>Membership There are still 2 vacant spaces for members from Aberlady and 1 from Dirleton. A notice has been added to the villages notice boards in respect of the Drem vacancy and a notice has also been published on the GACC Facebook page.</p>	All
5	<p>Local priorities Fund The application from the Beavers regarding defibrillators in Gullane has been approved with the condition that Gullane Golf Club confirms that they will meet the balance of the cost estimated at £200 (or alternatively other funding is in place to cover this). Once GACC receives confirmation of the additional funding KC will deal with the payment to the Beavers.</p>	JH/KC
6	<p>Treasurer's Report KC's report had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting and was approved.</p>	N/A
7	<p>Police Report MD reviewed the report and highlighted incidents in the ward. Following a discussion of the parking tickets at Gullane Bents, Cllr JG suggested it might be helpful to re-open the old overflow car park at Gullane Bents. Cllrs JG and JH to speak with Tom Reid, Head of Infrastructure ELC about this possibility. Cllr JG also suggested GACC take a look at the wider parking strategies.</p>	Cllrs JG/JH
8	<p>Website and Communications GM reported the website has a consistent number of visitors on a monthly basis. The Facebook page gets many more visitors when there is a photo added. GM suggested that we make the submission of photos a condition of the LPF grants so that residents can see where/how these funds are being spent.</p>	N/A
9	<p>Planning GACC was able to secure an extension for responses to the planning application related to the expansion of Gullane Primary School. GACC has supported the response from the primary school parent association. GACC has submitted comments upon a number of applications: A garage in Rigg Street, Aberlady in terms of its scale; 2 Hopetoun Terrace, Gullane in terms of the potential use of a large Garden Room; The management of trees on a plot at Duncan's</p>	

9	Plantation at Archerfield; and A potential house to the rear of Speedwell House in Dirleton. There is an upcoming ELC meeting re: the Saltcoats development, MW will attend to speak on behalf of GACC and Cllrs JG and JH will bring up the Scottish Water issue.	MW Cllrs JG/JH
10	<p>Village Reports</p> <p>Gullane – GM began a discussion of the problem with the construction traffic for the Fenton Gate South development, this was echoed by a member of the public. DA to liaise with the Council Planning Enforcement Officer who is responsible for managing construction compliance. There were people who arrived to the Gullane Games on bicycle only to find that there were no bike stands in Gullane. GM to look in to possible funding opportunities for bike stands, possibilities include Sustrans funds. Ian Reid, ELC bike paths a source of info.</p> <p>Aberlady – FN reported there is a problem with the set up of the junction coming from the Cruden development out to the Pleasance. FN to liaise with Donald Hay re past communications with Cruden on this matter. JB reported that an Aberlady resident has asked about the possibility of signage for Aberlady identifying the entrance to the village and asking drivers to reduce their speed as children are present. Cllr JH will speak to ELC transport representatives about this.</p> <p>Dirleton – There will be a community day on 31 August all welcome to attend.</p> <p>Drem – The footpath has been deemed not feasible at the time, but the quiet roads initiative will go forward.</p> <p>West Fenton – Nothing to report.</p>	DA GM FN Cllr JH
11	<p>North Berwick Coastal Area Partnership</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	N/A
12	<p>AOCB</p> <p>New White Lines Gullane</p> <p>There was vigorous discussion of the new white lines. Cllr JH reported that from the CAPP meeting there is an understanding that there are more issues than positives regarding the white lines and that this will get reviewed. GM also reported from the CAPP meeting that the police have acknowledged there may be an issue with the bicycle lanes. MD suggested that GACC needs to clarify its position regarding the lines as this has been a bit confused.</p> <p>Aberlady Memorial Garden Hedge – FN had been approached by Ian Malcolm regarding the hedge. FN will speak to him further and also consult with Donald Hay, the GACC former chairperson, as this matter has been before GACC before. There remain various views within the village regarding this hedge, FN, MD and JB to meet to find a compromise.</p>	All FN/MD/JB

The next meeting will be on Thursday 26 September at 7:00 pm in the Dirleton Kirk Hall