

**MINUTES – Meeting of the North Berwick Coastal Area Partnership,
25th November, 7-9pm, Dirleton Primary School, North Berwick**

Meeting Chaired by :

David Small, Director of Health and Social Care, East Lothian Council (DS)

Members (and substitute members) present

Rosanne Ainslie, Gullane Area Community Council (RA)

Cllr. David Berry (DB)

Niall Bradley, Aberlady Primary School Parent Council (NB)

Elma Danks, North Berwick Community Council (ED)

Cllr. Tim Day (TD)

JF, Gullane Primary School Parent Council (JF)

Jeremy Findlay, Gullane Area Community Council (JFin)

Cllr. Jim Goodfellow (JG)

Gordon Gray, Dunpender Community Council (GG)

Linda Hall, North Berwick Community Council (LH)

Lesley Kay, North Berwick Area Children and Youth Network (LK)

Sandra King, Community Learning and Development, East Lothian Council (SK)

Sharon Lewis, Dirleton Village Association (SL)

Eric March, Association of East Lothian Day Centres (EM)

Sheila Sinclair, North Berwick Community Council (SS)

Hilary Smith, North Berwick Community Council (HS)

Eric Thomson, Gullane Village Hall Management Committee (ET)

Ian Watson, North Berwick Area Children and Youth Network (IW)

Denyse Presley, North Berwick community centre Management Committee (DP)

Others in attendance

Kaela Scott, Local Community Planning Officer, East Lothian Council (KS)

Stephanie Carr, Assistant Local Community Planning Officer, East Lothian Council (SC)

Chris Lewis, Change Fund Programme Manager STRIVE, (CL)

Meriel Deans, NHS Lothian (MD)

Janice Macleod, NB Youth Network (JM)

Apologies received

Tim Harding, Lime Grove TRA (TH)

Rhiordan Langan-Fortune (RL)

Carl Hamer, Dirleton Village Association (CH)

| Agenda Item | Key discussion points | Action |
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| 1. Welcome | DS welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were noted. | |
| 2. Approval of the minutes | <p>ED pointed out a correction to Item 4 of the minutes regarding funds raised by the Day Centre towards a new centre mini-bus.</p> <p>Minutes were approved with these amendments.</p> | |
| 3. Matters Arising | <p>a) MIR Consultation Process</p> <p>KS explained the first stage of the Main Issues Report Consultation, in the form of public events are now taking place, with North Berwick scheduled for Thursday 4th December. KS reinforced the importance of registering for the evening workshops and encouraged attendance by the wider community.</p> <p>b) Engagement with Young People</p> <p>SC explained there is ongoing engagement with North Berwick Pupil Council, who are in the process of finalising questions for a school-wide survey gauging the prevalence of cyber bullying.</p> <p>c) Youth and Children’s Network Action Planning meeting: 2nd Dec</p> <p>LK noted the next network meeting taking place on the 2nd December would be focused around developing their Action Plan and putting forward recommendations to increase opportunities for young people across the ward.</p> <p>d) East Lothian Community Rail Partnership Launch Event</p> <p>This event was reflected on positively, and it was explained that part of the event saw 4 working groups looking at various topics surrounding challenge, opportunities and options for Rail transport and relevant linkages across East Lothian. Key partners and representatives from public transport providers were a key source of information and guidance on where would be effective to lobby for changes.</p> <p>KS posed the question to the partnership; Should there be a representative from the North Berwick Coastal Area Partnership on the East Lothian Community Rail Partnership, or alternatively, do we maintain ongoing links that exist presently?</p> <p>With consideration there will be a future call for a longstanding Rail Partnership Committee and smaller focused subgroups, the decision was made to maintain ongoing links.</p> | |

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| | <p>Decision: Maintain Ongoing Links with East Lothian Community Rail Partnership</p> <p>e) Other matters arising No other matters arising.</p> | |
| <p>4. Health and Social Care Integration</p> | <p>DS introduced CL, Change Fund Programme Manager with STRIVE who is supporting Carol Lumsden, Transformation Manager, in the development of the Strategic Plan for the new Health and Social Care Integration.</p> <p>CL explained a draft plan has been put together, and they are now in the process of the first stage of consultations. CL delivered a presentation outlining the draft Strategic Plan of the Integration (attached with these minutes) and encouraged feedback throughout, and at the conclusion of the presentation.</p> <p>Notes from these discussions are attached as an appendix to this minute.</p> | |
| <p>5. Developing our Area Plan</p> | <p>a) Framework for Area Plan KS distributed a document outlining the draft Framework for the Area Plan. She pointed this out as an ongoing working document, one that will outline action areas put forward by the Area Partnership.</p> <p>b) Consolidating our key themes and areas for action KS went on to distribute a document which consolidates the key themes from Area Partnership discussions. KS emphasised this is by no means a finalised document but rather, a live, working document. KS encouraged attendees of the meeting to take these themes back to their groups or networks and provide further recommendations for action as well as any other comments.</p> | <p>Action- AP: Send recommendations and feedback to nbc-ap@eastlothian.gov.uk</p> |
| <p>6. AOCB</p> | <p>KS reminded the AP of the MIR Public Consultation Event in North Berwick on Thursday 4th December.</p> | |
| <p>7. Dates of next meetings</p> | <p>Tuesday 27th January, 7-9pm, Hope Rooms, North Berwick: focus on the MIR</p> | <p>Please send any apologies to: nbc-ap@eastlothian.gov.uk</p> |

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Q1 Does the draft Strategic Plan address the most important issues for East Lothian?

- Yes in general terms – will need to see the details
- Important to prevent people going into RIE and bring rehabilitation closer to home

Q2 Have we missed anything that is really significant? If so, what?

- Why not children's services?
- Concern that any efficiencies made in the first year might impact on children's services when they come into scope.
- Concern separating children's health and social care services from education – seems to go against the new legislation and named adult and principles of GIRFEC
- Falls prevention a gap – need investment in preventative services generally
- Need to have ease of access to community support
- Preventative support – ok to say you are prioritising it but need to back that up with money
- TRANSPORT! – Rurality – need a coordinated cross sector transport strategy – there is spare capacity but no coordinated way to use it effectively. SG huge fund for community transport – did EL apply for any of it????
- Young carers caring for adults – this is a gap because the service is disjointed with the adult services in scope but the young person's not in scope
- Young people in transition is a gap.
- Planning ahead for new cultures and behaviours not mentioned – digital access
- Is there an option for very sheltered housing – with suitably trained wardens for more vulnerable people e.g. half way between your own home and the Abby
- Mixed opinion – also suggests more important to focus the money on prevention at home
- Need to be able to demonstrate how the acute sector will release monies to East Lothian if people not going into RIE – this money can go prevention service
- Capacity of care at home – workforce contracting needs reviewed e.g. carers only paid within home (not travel) – different pay in other areas of Lothian.
- Social isolation and accessibility to services a big issue for the East
- Should be looking at opportunities for working with adjacent partnerships e.g. if Muss is closer to Edinburgh then would it make sense for some parts to share their services?

Q3 We are planning to look at services in 2 localities in East Lothian. Do you agree with this approach?

- 2 Localities are fine so long as the local areas can feed into the planning process and there is equality of access to services – not got that at present
- Is there a good reason to split into 2 areas? – can we plan our services in one throughout East Lothian - What is the reason for 2 – think this is a waste of time and resources – should only be one that takes account of local areas.
- Maximise the plan at Area Partnership level – 6 Localities

- Need to take account of the MIR and the potential impact on the localities and planning required depending on where the houses are eventually situated
- Need to monitor and review the decision for 2 localities and be willing to be flexible and respond to changing circumstances as required

General comments/individual priorities

- The language is inaccessible - integration should bring integrated plain English language !!! Integrate all of the different 'projects' and call them simple self explanatory things.
- Needs to be meaningful consultation with service users
- What about the Eddington? – future use and Belhaven
- Clear relationship between reduced money saved in acute services and more spent in community health and social care services.
- Need to ensure that any cost savings made by keeping people out of acute care, comes back for re-investment in the local community resources.
- Local workforce for home - respect care with good job prospects.
- More resources for day care services to enable them to work over 7 days
- Promoting social awareness/Importance of social responsibility to those at risk. How to stay on message; - sporting memories, music memories
- Transport
- Support for family of people with dementia – knowing they are not alone
- The importance of community centres/libraries/churches to reduce social isolation/Reducing social isolation
- Community wardens to look out for older people!
- A timely conversation of the finally agreed plan into practice with a sensible constructed financial plan
- FUNDING