

**DRAFT MINUTES – Meeting of the North Berwick Coastal Area Partnership,  
9<sup>th</sup> June, 2015 7-9pm at Hope Rooms, North Berwick**

**Meeting Chaired by :**

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

**Members (and substitute members) present**

Elma Danks, North Berwick Community Council (ED)  
 Ian Donald, Association of East Lothian Day Centres (ID)  
 Irene Galloway, Law Residents' Association (IG)  
 Donald McDonald, Gullane Area Community Council (DM)  
 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)  
 Gordon Gray, Dunder Community Council (GG)

**Others in attendance**

Liz Sandison - Lime Grove TRA (LS)  
 Sheena Kelly - Lime Grove TRA (SKell)  
 Sandra King, - Area Manager, East Lothian Council (SK)  
 Stephanie Kerr, Local Community Planning Officer, East Lothian Council (SKerr)  
 Robin McEwan – Cycle Forth (RM)  
 Sean Watters – Strive well-Being (SW)  
 Katie Nevans – Community Development Officer, East Lothian Council (KN)

**Apologies received**

Sue Northrop, North Berwick Community Centre  
 Niall Bradley, Aberlady Primary School Parent Council  
 JF, Gullane Primary School Parent Council  
 Lesley Kay, North Berwick Area Children and Youth Network

Agenda Item	Key discussion points	Action
<b>1. Welcome</b>	DS welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were noted.	
<b>2. Approval of the minutes</b>	Due to the absence of more than fifty percent of Area Partnership members, DS noted this meeting was without quorum, thus minutes from previous meeting could not be officially approved nor any Partnership-wide decisions made.	
<b>3. Matters Arising</b>	a) Community Chair Appointment Skerr advised that 3 applications for the post had been received and their forms had been emailed to the membership for consideration at the next meeting of the area partnership. It was highlighted that the next meeting was not until September so to keep the process moving a	All: make sure either members or their representatives can attend the special



	<p>g) Needs of our Older Population: independent living and community support ID updated on the first meeting of this group and stated that it had been productive and had a good range of groups and service providers represented around the table. DS advised that there would be strong links made between the development of the older people’s actions within the area plan and the strategic health and social care plan.</p> <p>h) Beach wheelchairs SK updated the members on the progress with this project and advised that 2 new wheelchairs had been bought and volunteers were being trained. Planning permission for the storage hut was still being sought as it transpired that listed planning permission was now needed as the storage hut was to go in a conservation area.</p> <p>i) Arts Centre IW gave an update on this project and agreed to have his notes shared with the partnership.</p>	<p>Action: Skerr to attached notes.</p>
<p><b>4. Local Area Plan:</b></p>	<p><b>Group discussion - Localising services:</b> The members then had a discussion around what was needed that could be developed and delivered locally.</p> <p><u>Health services</u> North Berwick health centre:- the centre is now too small and will not meet the needs of the community as more housing is being developed. The practice is looking at options to expand and have previously had plans developed. It was suggested that the Gullane health centre model could be used as they had allowed for future growth and had empty rooms. DS reported that more information on requirements for the development of health services, in the Eddington would be known in October after the consultation findings had been analysed.</p> <p>It was also suggested that many of the issues arising under this action were also being explored with the work of the older people’s group and actions could be developed there and brought back to the partnership for wider discussion once they are better formed.</p> <p>The group explored groups that would benefit from localised services and these are people with mental health issues, substance misuse issues and children’s health services who, under the children’s act need to be better linked with health visitors. The discussion also covered localising the police services and how there was no longer “known “police people in the Ward.</p>	<p>Action: DS to located previous plans for NB Health centre expansion</p>

<p><b>5. AOCB</b></p>	<p><u>Active travel mini conferences</u> The members were given an update on this project and advised that a steering group had been formed to take the process of appointing consults forward and this group were meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> June. RE and GG stated that they would be interested in attending this meeting and would feedback at the next area partnership.</p> <p><u>Budgets</u> A: Railings at North Berwick seafront ED talked about the railings needing replaced at the seafront and that funding was needed for this. The Community Council would like to discuss this with the area partnership and will come back with figures for the next meeting.</p> <p>B: Athelstaneford Skatepark SK informed the group of a project she was working on with Athelstaneford parent council which was to build a new skatepark in the village. The project has slightly stalled as the parent council need to raise £4500 to back the 45k given through viridor funding. SK asked the partnership if they would consider contributing half of the amount to keep this project from falling through, especially since Viridor had already agreed to fund the building of the park.</p> <p><u>Wish list exercise</u> The group agreed that it would be good to form a wish list of projects that could be carried out in the near future to ensure that the devolved budgets could be spent before March 2016.</p>	<p>Action: ED to get information on the cost of the railings</p> <p>Action: all, advise if they agree to allocating £2500 of the area partnerships budget to support this project.</p> <p>Action: SKerr to prepare paper for this.</p>
<p><b>6. Dates of next meetings</b></p>	<p><i>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September, 7-9pm</i> <i>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November, 7-9pm</i></p>	<p>Please send any apologies to: <a href="mailto:nbc-ap@eastlothian.gov.uk">nbc-ap@eastlothian.gov.uk</a></p>

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