

# North Berwick Coastal Area Partnership

## Minutes of the North Berwick Coastal Area Partnership Meeting Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2017, 7-9pm at North Berwick High School Café Area

Voting Members present:	Substitute members present
Hilary Smith, Chair (HS)	Tommy Todd, North Berwick Community Council (TT)
Cllr. Jim Goodfellow, Elected Member (JG)	Tillie Baird, NBC Health & Wellbeing Assoc (TB)
Gordon Moodie, North Berwick Community Council (GM)	
Tom Drysdale, GACC (TD)	
Ann Orr, Dirleton Village Association (AO)	
Gordon Gray, Dunpender Community Council (GG)	
J.F. Gullane Primary School Parent Council (JF)	
Alison Clark, Dirleton Primary School Parent Council	
Ian Watson, NB Area Children & Youth Network (IW)	
Nicky Fox, NB Community Centre Management Committee (NF)	
Donald Hay, Aberlady Community Association (DH)	
Val Harding, NB Environment Trust (VH)	
John Baird, Voluntary Car Scheme, (JB)	
Deborah Ritchie, Health & Wellbeing Assoc (DR)	
Lesley Kay, NBC On the move, (LK)	

### Others in attendance:

Isabel Anderson, NB First Responders/NBHTA (IA)  
 Sandra King, Area Manager, East Lothian Council (SK)  
 Shirley Gillie, Business Support Administrator, East Lothian Council (SG)  
 Katie Nevans, Community Development Officer, ELC (KN)  
 Marilyn McNeill, IJB (MMcN)  
 Jim Conway, NB Resident (JC)  
 Paul Leggott, NB Resident (PL)  
 Judy Lockart, NB Community Council, (JL)  
 Simon Metzner, North Berwick & District Churches, (SM)  
 Anne Bissett, North Berwick Coastal Health and Wellbeing Group  
 Mike Nicklas, Resident (MN)  
 Dr Geraldine Prince, NB Community Council, (GP)

### Apologies:

Laura Forrest, Sustaining North Berwick (LF)  
 Cllr. Jane Henderson, Elected Member (JH)  
 Eddie Clark, NB Environment Trust (EC)

AGENDA ITEM	KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	ACTION/ DECISION
<b>1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies</b>		
	HS welcomed everyone. Apologies received were noted.	
<b>2. Minutes from Previous Meetings</b>		
	Minutes from 19.6.17, 2.10.17, 19.9.17 were all agreed and approved. 19.9.17 – comment made that the meeting was really good, presentations excellent it worked really well.	
<b>3. Matters Arising</b>		
	19.6.17 – P2 Mural – wall has been painted and further work is to be done, materials to be purchased.	<b>NB Community Council</b>

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	<p>C&amp;Y Network – High School- is there a list of volunteers – DoE ward – C&amp;YN will advise us – further discussion DoE – high school to be contacted for update.</p> <p>Telephone Booth – North Berwick Community Council collected suggestions on future use of booths included a mini museum.</p> <p>Aberlady Poppy Display was very impressive. Congratulations were extended to the organisers.</p> <p>Position of Vice Chair – Gordon Gray was nominated and agreed.</p>	AC
<b>4. Network/Sub Groups Reports</b>		
	<p><b>4.1 Health &amp; Wellbeing Association</b> – Tillie/Deborah gave an update. The group has been really busy.</p> <p><b>The Absent Friends event</b> was very successful, the model of involving different groups worked really well.</p> <p><b>Book of Remembrance (Memory Book)</b> – was launched and will be at the Day Centre then on display in the library. It is there for people to remember those who were important to them - Please encourage people to add their memories of loved one.</p> <p><b>Health and Social Care</b> - The Group had a productive meeting with Health and Social Care discussed concerns in the community e.g. Increased pressure on health services and growing older population. Future consultation on Abbey and Eddington, concerns that this needs to look holistically and include whole community. Where are the gaps? Shortage of carers in the area. Friends of Edington are involved. There are no plans for a new health centre. Need to obtain exact population figures. TB felt that they shared information and were very helpful whilst facing difficult times. Agreed to distribute minutes of the meeting SG to circulate.</p> <p><b>Social Isolation Project</b> - Infrastructure for employing a worker not in place. Agreed £5,000 to promote Intergenerational work including an event inviting all organisations along providing information and training. Would like to invite key note speakers and raise awareness in community. This would be a different use of the money but will address priority. Application to be submitted. IS has a link to an Aberdeen Care Home which may be able to help with information and will pass this to TB/DR.</p> <p><b>4.2 On the Move &amp; Charrette</b> – Short term priorities agreed including wheelchair ramp at east beach and safer route to school. PF from ELC attended their last meeting and reported that the ELC Parking Strategy would be going out for consultation soon. Concerns were raised that the progress on the Charrette was being delayed due to this. Any Future parking strategy would need to be implemented and monitored. Some felt disappointed that the ELC parking strategy may not include things that had been suggested through the Charrette. There may be similar ideas and we will wait until the strategy is out for consultation to see if ideas from the Charrette have been taking into account. There was a concern that the Charrette was not being taken seriously and whilst members were very aware of the current financial constraints on the Council there was a desire to move forward. Kevin Murray has suggested attracting funding from external sources. There is a desire to work together with ELC to progress on the main priorities from the Charrette as we will need detailed costings before we can apply for funding. This needs commitment from everyone.</p>	<p>SG</p> <p>TB</p> <p>IS</p>

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	<p>LK asked if anyone was interested in Chairing the 'On the Move' group to get in touch.</p> <p>SK circulated the drawing for the ramp on the east beach across from the boating pond. The plan includes extending the width of the payment and extending the ramp for beach wheelchairs and relocating 2 disabled spaces near the bus stop.</p> <p>One idea from the Charrette was the use of temporary Parklets on the High Street. This is a possibility for the problematic corner on Church Street which is often blocked due to illegal parking. LK working on a Civic Pride application.</p> <p><b>4.3 Lime Grove Asset Transfer Sub Group</b> – Members of the group made a presentation to the North Berwick Trust. The Trust didn't say no. A meeting with ELC has also taken place and a timeline agreed. The business plan is to be completed by Feb 2018 and a sub group will take this forward. The group is gathering information e.g. Asset mapping and will send out the survey listing the top ideas for the site. LK requested meeting with TS to clarify spend of the £15,000 Partnership funding for the Business Plan. Next meeting is on Wednesday 13 Dec please encourage everyone to come along.</p> <p><b>4.4 Children &amp; Youth Network</b> – KN gave an update – the group has agreed projects from the Educational Attainment Budget which will include second year funding for the Support from the Start Family Worker and the Mental Health Worker. Other projects included North Berwick Youth Worker – Employability Opportunities, Support from the Start Parenting Pathway, STEM event and Buddy Bear (Anti Bullying). The youth shelter was discussed with the possibility of upgrading a shelter just off Greenheads Road. This is situated across from a former Dr Barnardo's Children's Home (Glasclune) and it was suggested that the shelter be dedicated to the children who lived at Glasclune.</p> <p><b>4.5 Support from the Start</b> – KN gave an update. The Support from the Start Family worker has engaged with 35 families. We are delivering the Parenting Pathway -Book Bug , Raising children with Confidence , Baby Massage, Baby PEEP, Tiddly PEEP and Toddler PEEP –Stay &amp; Play We and Good Food Good Health. Last year over 19 families received Christmas presents and Food Bank donations. We are looking for donations of presents this year as there is likely to be many more families in need. If anyone would like to donate the age range is 0-18 – some adult presents too as some single parents may not receive anything. Donations can be handed into the community centre. The Beacon kindly offered to help wrap presents and any further help is welcomed. Presents will be handed out on 20<sup>th</sup> December. Cash donations welcome. Bursary scheme still running. An idea that was suggested in Preston Pans that New Year time can be a struggle for families. <b>Fundraising event</b> with Elfie Sparklepants (Katie ) will be reading stories – 1<sup>st</sup> week in December at the Community Centre. Free cycle Port a cabin holds baby equipment for vulnerable families.</p> <p><b>4.6 Arts Centre Steering Group</b> – No further meetings at present due to the link with Lime Grove Asset transfer Group.</p> <p><b>4.7 North Berwick Area Sports Hub</b> – no representative at meeting to report back.</p>	<p>LK</p> <p>SK</p>

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<b>5. Short Term Priorities Update</b>		
	<p><b>5.1 Budget</b> - SK circulated the list of short-term priorities and budget allocations to date.</p> <p>14.10 NB staggered barrier at Playpark off Lochbridge Road. SK to get more information from Law Tenants &amp; Residents and check with Roads to see if this could be installed.</p> <p>Buses are longer and are getting stuck on the corner of Church Street due to illegal parking. Looking at a Parklet as a possible solution to stop cars parking and causing a problem. The bus company is 100% behind this idea. HS is having ongoing discussion.</p> <p>HS said there is a huge amount of information shared tonight and thanked everyone for their update which highlights all the hard work being done across the partnership. There is a need to get better at disseminating information. All partners please take the information back and keep everyone up to date on developments.</p>	<b>SK</b>
<b>6. Poverty Champion</b>		
	<p>SK has circulated the Poverty Commission Report and asked if someone could be the 'Poverty Champion' for the partnership? Agreed to keep 'Poverty – Reducing Inequalities as a standing item on the agenda. Poverty impacts on this community for families and older people.</p>	<b>Keep on agenda</b>
<b>7. A.O.C.B</b>		
	<p><b>Locality Plan</b> - The Area Partnerships are required through the Community Empowerment Act (Scotland) 2015 to write a "locality plan" for areas that experience significant deprivation including outcomes which address inequalities. HS/SK will meet and look through the Area Plan to identify outcomes that could be included in the Locality Plan. Report back at January meeting.</p> <p><b>Bursary Scheme</b> – There was a suggestion of Sponsoring a child's place at an after school club or activity. KN agreed to take this forward.</p> <p><b>Economic Development Group</b> – HS keen to establish an economic development sub group and has invited anyone interested to a meeting on Monday 27 November 6-30pm – 7.30pm at North Berwick Community centre.</p> <p><b>EL Partnership</b> – re future structure and options for this had been circulated. Community council's will be responding to this at their meeting on Tuesday. HS will report back on findings for 5<sup>th</sup> December submission.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; vertical-align: top;"><b>HS/SK</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; vertical-align: middle;"><b>KN</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; vertical-align: middle;"><b>HS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; vertical-align: bottom;"><b>HS</b></p>
<b>8. Date of next meeting</b>		
	<p><b>Tuesday 16 January 2018</b>  <b>Tuesday 20 March 2018</b>  <b>Tuesday 15 May 2018</b>  <b>Tuesday 12 June 2018</b>  <b>Tuesday 25 September 2018 APM</b>  <b>Tuesday 20 November 2018</b></p>	<p><b>Apologies to</b>  <a href="mailto:nbc-ap@eastlothian.gov.uk">nbc- ap@eastlothian.gov.uk</a></p>