

Minutes of the Meeting of the Preston Seton Gosford Area Partnership
Wednesday 12 September 2018, 7-9pm
Pennypit Centre, Prestonpans

Members (and substitute members) present:

Ferhan Ashiq, Prestonpans Community Council (Chair) (FA)
 Cllr Neil Gilbert, East Lothian Council (NG)
 Cllr Fiona O'Donnell, East Lothian Council (FO)
 Cllr Lachlan Bruce, East Lothian Council (LB)
 Brian Weddell, Prestonpans Community Council (BW)
 DJ Johnston-Smith, Prestonpans Community Council (DJ)
 Grame Jeffrey, Cockenzie & Port Seton Community Council (GJ) |
 Sheila Chambers, Cockenzie & Port Seton In Bloom (SC)
 Gillian Stewart, Cockenzie West TRA (GS)
 Diane Whyte, Antiquaries TRA, (DW)
 Kelly Evans, Cockenzie Primary School Parent Council (KE)
 Larry Tomlin, Cockenzie West TRA (LT)
 Kirsty Souter, Prestonpans Infants Parent Council (KS)
 Jayne Peters, Prestonpans Infants Parent Council (JP)
 David Redpath, Three Harbours Art Festival (DR)
 Nicole Millar, Pennypit Centre Management Committee (NM)
 Angie Davie, Pennypit Community Development Trust (AD)
 Andrew Crummy, Heritage Connections (AC)
 Philippa Barber, Longniddry Community Council (PB)
 David Ostler, Coastal Regeneration Forum (DO)

Others in attendance:

Sandra King, Area Manager, ELC (SK)
 Shirley Gillie, Business Support Administrator, ELC (SG)
 Daniel Baigrie, Community Development Officer (DB)
 Jamie Baker, Town Centre Regeneration Officer ELC (JB)
 Chris Sillick, PAS | Research and Projects Officer (CS)
 Perta Biberbach, PAS Chief Executive (PB)

Apologies:

Sheila Laing, Prestonpans Infant School & Poverty Champion (SL)
 Philip Wark, Coastal Regeneration Forum (PW)
 Marlene Love, Cockenzie & Port Seton in Bloom (ML)
 Elizabeth Clark, Cockenzie & Port Seton Community Council (EC)
 Gordon Horsburgh, Team Leader ELC (GH)
 Cllr William Innes, East Lothian Council (WI)
 Natalie Moir, Support from the Start (NM)
 Judith McNeil

AGENDA ITEM	KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	ACTION
1. Welcome, Introductions & Apologies		
	FA welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were noted.	
2. Minutes from Previous Meeting		
	Minutes from 6 th June 2018 were approved by GJ and seconded by DO	
3. Matters Arising		

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	<p>Cuthill Park – Prestongrange Park – FO has been in discussions with the Coal Industry Social Welfare Organisation to clarify land ownership. It appears the route does not in fact cross land in CISWO’s ownership. This might be owned by the Musselburgh Miners’ Charitable Society. The community are keen to see this path progress and FO agreed to continue her efforts to establish who is responsible for the land.</p> <p>Seaton Sands Ramp Beach Wheelchair – DO in discussions with ML about boulders which can be placed once the ramp improvements are made</p> <p>In Bloom Benches – SK to confirm with Andrew Hogarth re internal transfer of funds.</p> <p>Gateway Signs – Transportation confirmed that speed reactive signs are in place and will be moved around to ensure maximum effect.</p> <p>Library Cuts. FA thanked elected members for their support in helping to secure the Saturday opening of Port Seton Library. The community needs to use the library as this is only a temporary reprieve for one year.</p>	
4. Presentation – Planning Aid Scotland		
	<p>Perta Biberbach, PAS Chief Executive and Chris Sillick, PAS Research and Projects Officer gave a presentation to the PSG Area Partnership on the ‘charrette plus’ planning consultation service they provide. The presentation will be sent out with the minutes. The Heritage Connections Group will discuss this at their next meeting on Monday 1 October.</p>	SG
5. Agreed Priorities 2018/19		
	<p>SC raised the issue of pavements in Port Seton. The North side of the Gosford Road has issues with dropped kerbs and uneven surfaces. SK has already discussed this issue with Transportation as it is included in the Area Plan. This could be revisited in next year’s allocation.</p> <p>Area Partnership will continue to be a consultation body regarding the Educational Attainment Budget for 2019-2020. It was acknowledge that the Support from the Start Family Support Worker is now key to this area and the evaluation report demonstrates the difference this is making to families.</p> <p>Preston Lodge will be submitting two educational attainment applications as agreed in principle at the May meeting for their Counselling service to support mental health in young people and their Nurture Worker.</p> <p>CCTV Prestonpans – East Lothian Council are looking at a strategic approach to CCTV covering the whole of East Lothian and are exploring potential capital funding. DJJ requested that the Partnership be consulted on future developments. SK to raise this with the Contact Centre Manager.</p> <p>Holiday Hunger – the money received from the council was a one off payment to support holiday clubs offering food and activities. There is</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>SK</p>

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	<p>still a need to look at this more strategically with ELC Education as there are concerns about sustainability of funding for Holiday Clubs across East Lothian. The Pupil Equity Fund could be a potential funding source.</p> <p>The Box Meeting event went very well. The atmosphere was tremendous. Lots of people impressed and has opened people's eyes to local heritage. DB confirmed there were 700 people at the Bonfire night. FH acknowledged that a lot of effort and hard work has gone into the fine detail which was impressive. A great deal of volunteering happened in the background – DB confirmed that 2000 hours of volunteering time was spent on this. Thanks were extended to Yvonne Murphy. DO reflected that there were fewer fisherman from the local area attending which reflected how the fishing industry has changed over the years.</p>	
6. Review PSG Area Partnership - How are we all doing?		
	<p>Everyone split into small groups to review the PSG Area Partnership and reflected on the following questions: How are we all doing?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Are you clear about your role on the Area Partnership? 2. What do you bring to the Area Partnership? 3. What opportunities does the Area Partnership offer? 4. What are the challenges for the Area Partnership? <p>Full report to be circulated with the minutes.</p>	SK/SG
7. Draft Area Plan		
	<p>The draft Area Plan had been circulated and was well received. The plan outlines the outcomes and actions to help address inequality. AC suggested a list of all the groups involved in the Partnership should be included. He also suggested that the plan should reflect all the groups and activity already in place in the community and how the Partnership was evolving by bringing many of the existing groups together. SK agreed reflect this in the plan.</p> <p>BH wanted the plan to emphasise the need to create local jobs and attract employers and get bigger investors involved.</p> <p>GJ suggested taking a grass roots approach by sharing more local information with ELC so they have as much information as possible to make informed decisions.</p> <p>FA asked everyone to read through the plan and send any comments to SG.</p>	SK ALL
8. Membership/Standing Orders/Vice Chair		
	<p>It was agreed to carry the Standing Orders item to the next meeting on 14th November 2018 as there was insufficient time for a full discussion. This would be raised under matters arising to ensure it will be discussed early on in the meeting. FA asked everyone to please look over the standing orders before the next meeting. SK reiterated that any final changes needed to be agreed by East Lothian Partnership governance group.</p>	ALL
9. A.O.B.		
	<p>KS updated the Partnership regarding the consultation stall at the gala days which went well. The Prestonpans Summer Fair was good for</p>	

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	<p>networking but a bit disappointing regarding the turn out from the public. KS wanted to thank everyone for their help and is gathering feedback from these events. The communication group is working to promote all the great work which is going on in the PSG Partnership, Including the Facebook page which has 200 likes. The most popular articles have been Uniform Bank, Pans Pantry and the Beach Wheelchairs.</p> <p>It was acknowledged that the Partnership needed to extend its presence on social media. DJJ proposed a motion to allocate partnership funding for this purpose. FO suggested £250 initially which should be evaluated to monitor impact. GJ seconded this and the motion was carried.</p> <p>DO asked if the communication team could promote the Battlefield Re-enactment which is happening this weekend and also the parade which leaves the Gothenburg on the Friday night. KS agreed to put this on the Facebook page.</p> <p>SK reminded everyone that there is a meeting on Thursday 13 September from 5pm-7pm in the Gothenburg regarding the future vision for the Prestonpans Battlefield Trust.</p>	KS
10. Next Meeting		
	<p>The next meeting is on Wednesday 14 November at 7pm in the Pennypit Centre.</p>	<p>Apologies to be sent to - psg-ap@eastlothian.gov.uk</p>