

Musselburgh Area Partnership

Minutes of the Annual Public Meeting of the Musselburgh Area Partnership Monday 1st October 2018, 7-9pm Musselburgh East Community Learning Centre, Haddington Road, Musselburgh

Members (and substitute members) present:

Iain Clark, Chair (IC)
 Janice MacLeod, Vice Chair, Support from the Start (JM)
 Cllr. Katie Mackie, Elected Member (KM)
 Cllr. Kenny McLeod, Elected Member (KMCL)
 Margaret Stewart, Musselburgh & Inveresk CC (MS)
 Irene Tait, Musselburgh & Inveresk CC (IT)
 Alister Hadden, Wallyford Community Council (AH)
 Cathie McArthur, Chair, Senior Citizens Network (CMc)
 Emma Stewart, Musselburgh Churches Together (ES)
 Tanya Morrison, Whitecraig Community Council (TM)
 Jim Boyle, Bridges Project (JB)
 Barry Turner, Musselburgh Conservation Society (AS)
 Linda Finlayson, Beach Lane TRA (LF)
 Sharon Brown, Musselburgh Business Partnership (SB)

Others in attendance:

Stuart Baxter (Area Manager) (SB)
 Shirley Gillie, Business Support ELC (SG)
 Lesley Aitkenhead, ELCCF (LA)
 Carline Davis, Dialogue Youth Co-ordinator (CD)

Apologies:

Cllr. Stuart Currie, Elected Member (SC)
 Cllr. John Williamson, Elected Member (JW)
 Veronica Noone, Fisherrow Waterfront Group (VN)
 Diann Govenlock, Team Manager CLD (DG)
 Gaynor Allen, Musselburgh GS Parent Council (GA)
 Cllr Gordon Mackett, Elected Member (GM)
 Lynsey Melville, Stoneyhill Primary School Parent Council (LM)

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1. Welcome , Introductions and Apologies		
	IC welcomed everyone this was followed by introductions and apologies	
2. Approval of Minutes – 20th August 2018		
	Proposed by AH seconded by JB	
3. Matters Arising		
	City Tree – This is now live. Members agreed to a 4 month pilot and the data will be collected and monitored by Derek Oliver, Service Manager Protective Services ELC who will provide feedback to the Area Partnership. A discussion then took place regarding the partnerships	

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	support for a trial period which differed from their initial opposition to the proposal.	
4. Sub Groups Update		
	<p>Senior Citizens Network – CMC wanted to acknowledge the tremendous support and dedication shown by DD and LA. Thanking also Rev Janice Andrews, Mussleburgh Congregational Church, Nancy Savage, Wallyford Resident, Elaine Muirhead, Hollies Day Centre and Liz Shannon, Hollies Day Centre for their help and support. LA shared the report “What Matters to You” and outlined the content and findings of the report. These need shared/publicised on ELC Web site and a link to the report added to the Musselburgh Area partnership web page. It was agreed to promote the report in local and social media. IC explained that a lot of time and effort has gone into the report and wanted to congratulate everyone involved. He added this is an excellent piece of work and can be used as a catalyst to make change. CMC explained the working group consisted of various representatives from the Musselburgh Area including, Whitecraig and Wallyford and was an area wide approach. She also added that she has made some new friends through being involved in this project and encouraged them to attend social events. IC thanked everyone involved.</p> <p>Active Travel/On The Move – Stuart Thomson has agreed to take on role of chair of this group moving forward</p> <p>Children & Young People – JM gave an update of all the great work that has been going on re summer holiday lunch club provision in Wallyford & Whitecraig. Working closely in partnership with ELOSCN, CLD and Fundamental Foods. JM informed the partnership that requests for project evaluations had gone out to a number of groups. JM also added that in her opinion the Area Partnership had made an impact on attainment by the work carried out so far.</p> <p>Communications – Communities Day (CD) 1st September 2018. IC explained that the Participatory Budgeting & CD are two huge events and require a great deal of time and resources to plan. He added that although the partnership had previously agreed to hold both these events on an annual basis that there was a need for additional support from the partnership to enable this to happen. A discussion then took place on whether the CD day should be held in June or September and the pros/cons of each was discussed. IC added that CD was really well attended and the help and assistance from everyone involved on day of the event was much appreciated. The CD was originally established to gain the communities views on the Area Plan and to encourage volunteering opportunities. This is now expanded to include over 50 groups and organisations and provide a great opportunity for networking between organisations. The Area partnership agreed that late September would be optimal time to hold the communities’ day. IC again expressed his concerns that more support from the partnership was required in able to achieve this. IC thanked Tesco, Costa Coffee and Pinkie Farm Shop for their donations which was much appreciated and Wilsons Musselburgh for helping to supply the fresh fruit.</p>	ST
5. Chair Report		
	IC stated that a terrific amount of work had already been carried out to date by Children & Young people’s network and the Senior Citizens Sub Group however he proposed that the both groups be combined to make	

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	<p>a Health & Wellbeing Sub Group. There is a common thread between these two groups and one sub group could consider the remit of both groups. Next year the resources available for Education initiatives funding will reduce and move to Education. This will have a direct affect on the level of work required by the Children & Young People’s sub group and therefore made sense to combine the two. IC proposed that the chairs of both groups should remain, that JM should take the new position as Chair and CMc as Vice Chair of the new group. Members agreed and accepted the proposal.</p> <p>IC made the partnership aware of the Dementia Friendly East Lothian – Annual Gathering on the 10th and 11th of October 2018 at the Maitlandfield Hotel. If you would like to attend please book a place through Eventbrite. CMc stated she had been previously and found this very worthwhile. JM/SB are planning to attend. A leaflet with the details of this event was circulated.</p> <p>Take the Balance Challenge – Everyone was provided with a leaflet “Take the Balance challenge” to encourage simple exercises.</p> <p>IC made the partnership aware that a request had been received from the Baptist Church to hold a Christmas Day Lunch again this year and added that last year’s lunch had proved successful. All members supported this project and IC agreed to contact the church to provide them with an application form and a request for costings etc. SB suggested it would be a great to have a better understanding of events happening over Christmas and that this could then be made available to all stakeholders</p>	IC
6. Your Voice Your Choice 2		
	<p>IC informed the partnership that Aileen Campbell, Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Local Government will be attending Musselburgh tomorrow to launch the Scottish Government Community Choices Fund which Musselburgh were successful awarded £50,000. The Musselburgh Area Partnership were one of 16 projects from all over Scotland who were awarded funds. 94 bids were submitted and 16 were successful. The Plastics Police & Freedom Youth Club, two of the successful Your Voice Your Choice projects from last year will be attending the launch and meeting the minister.</p>	
7. Area Manager’s Report		
	<p>SB updated the partnership with all the votes collected from the annual meeting and Communities day. Discussed how these impacted on the priorities for year 2018/2019. (A copy is available - please contact Musselburgh-ap@eastlothian.gov.uk)</p> <p>SB explained the draft report for the Levenhall Boating Pond had been received and additional meetings with the consultants were proposed prior to a final report being available.</p> <p>SB advised, as a board member of the Musselburgh Flood Protection Scheme, that an update on the progress so far was being made available to the press. SB then outlined the content of the press release giving</p>	

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	<p>members an update of the work so far. (A copy of the press release is available - please contact Musselburgh-ap@eastlothian.gov.uk)</p> <p>Attendance Matters Campaign – SB/JM will meet with school cluster heads to see if this is still required and look at revamp of this leaflet if needed</p> <p>Holiday Lunch Club – SB explained there is an over spend of £1400 including £300 for damage to a work top caused by the nutritionists. There is an under spend with the Family Fun Days which will be used to help with this. While this is the first time the Area Partnership have provided lunch clubs in this way a full report and evaluation will be received from ELOSCN that will help plan future projects.</p>	<p>SB/JM</p>
8. Consultations		
	<p>East Lothian Council are carrying out a number of public drop in consultation events to inform the development of a Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Strategy for East Lothian, and to promote the move towards a more sustainable and low carbon lifestyle.</p> <p>There will be a drop in tomorrow between 4pm – 6pm in Musselburgh East Community learning Centre. IC encouraged anyone who is interested to attend.</p>	
9. Priorities 2018/2019		
	<p>SB informed the partnership of the need for Budget/Priorities sub group to meet to consider the previously outlined priorities for this year. SB outlined the current membership of the group and asked if anyone was interested in helping with this group members to let him know.</p>	
10. A.O.C.B.		
	<p>AH stated that in his opinion the Area Partnership should get more recognition for the great work that has been done with the path improvements at Wallyford to the drift path. He added there was a need highlight the partnership’s involvement in this project and suggested an official opening may be a good idea and that this be covered in the media. SB replied that he would contact the Roads Service who were currently undertaking this work to see if this could be taken forward.</p> <p>Year of the Young People - CD advised that small film clips of great ideas and initiatives that are happening in the Musselburgh are being pulled together to make a film. CD asked the partnership to make her aware of any groups or individuals that they thought should be filmed so they can be considered for the film.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the barriers that were currently around the Musselburgh Mussel Shell art work. IC stated that he believed the barriers were required until the work had been signed off by the artist and hoped that this would happen soon.</p> <p>AH wanted to congratulate to Inveresk Community Council for their excellent fundraising night for the Hollies last Friday. It was a great success and raised over £1000. Well done to everyone involved</p>	<p>SB</p>
11. 2018 Meeting Dates		
	<p>Area Partnership meetings for 2018 are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 December 2018 	<p>Apologies to be sent to <u>Musselburgh-</u></p>

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