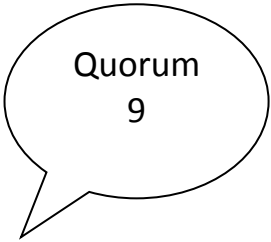


Dunbar and East Linton Area Partnership

Dunbar and East Linton Area Partnership meeting
7th August 2017, 7-9pm
in Bleachingfield Centre, Dunbar



Quorum
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Meeting Chaired by: Pippa Swan, Chairperson of the Dunbar and East Linton Area Partnership (PS)

Members (and substitute members) present

Dorothy Gordon, Wingate TRA (DG)
Karen Leitch, Small Schools Parent Council Representative (KL)
Jim Heron, Monksmuir TRA (JH)
George Robertson, Dunbar Community Council (GR)
Cllr Sue Kempson (SK)
Suzie Fletcher, Innerwick Primary School (SF)
Mary Bonnar, James Court TRA (MB)
Angela McLeman, Dunbar Grammar School Parent Council (AM)
Elisabeth Wilson, Sustaining Dunbar (EW)
Stephen Bunyan, Dunbar Community Council (SB)
Alisdair Swan, Dunbar Community Council, (AS)
Barry Craighead, Dunpender Community Council (BC)
Harry Hamilton, Andrew Meikle Grove TRA (HH)
Mike Shaw, DSHNG (MS)

Others in attendance

Stuart Gibb, Area Manager, ELC (SG)
Lorna Maclennan, Business Support Administration, ELC (LMac)
Gareth Hill, Active Schools Co-ordinator, ELC (GH)
Jo McNamara, Community Learning and Development Officer, ELC (JM)
Sheila Robertson, member of local community (SR)
David Small, Director Health and Social Care Partnership (DS)
Cllr Fiona O'Donnell, ELC Cabinet Spokesperson for Health & Social Care (FO)

Apologies received

Sue Cairns, Tenants Information Service (SC)
Barbara Wyllie, East Lammermuir Community Council (BW)
Philip Mellor, Dunbar Trades Association (DB)
Ola Wojtkiewicz, West Barns Hall (voting member for West Barns CC),(OW)
Katy Pollock, Support from the Start (KP)
Allison Cosgrove, Dunpender Community Council (AC)
Jacquie Bell, Dunbar Community Council (JB)
Kate Darrah, The Ridge (KD)
Cllr Norman Hampshire (NH)
Gill Wilson, Association of East Lothian Day Centres (GW)
Anne Lyall, East Lammermuir Community Council (AL)
Callum Taylor, Active Schools Co-ordinator, ELC (CT)

Agenda Item	Key discussion points	Action
1. Welcome	<p>PS welcomed everyone to the meeting. PS asked everyone to introduce themselves round the table.</p> <p>LM stated that the meeting was quorate.</p>	
2. Apologies	Apologies were noted as above.	
3. Approval of Minutes	Minutes were approved after two initials were changed	
4. Matters Arising	<p>Coastal Pathway – A discussion with Amenity Services has to take place as there are items outstanding.</p> <p>Dunpender CC – Prestonkirk traffic lights proposal – Alternative options are now being considered with regards to this project, including exploring the possibility of rerouting the path through the grave yard. No further action will be taken with regards to the traffic lights proposal for the foreseeable future.</p> <p>Dunbar Primary School – The school were allocated money but the forms have not been received back yet. SG will chase this up.</p> <p>Mowing plan for Winterfield Park – JB took this to Friends of Winterfield Park.</p> <p>Area Partnership Reviews – Still outstanding</p> <p>Black Bull Close- The Ridge have undertaken a public consultation exercise..</p> <p>Day Centre, Dunbar – SK was still waiting on a reply from 3rd Age.</p>	
5. Belhaven Hospital Update	<p>David Small, Director of Health & Social Care Partnership and Fiona O'Donnell, Cabinet Spokesperson for Health & Social Care attended the meeting to give an insight into Belhaven Hospital and its future. DS stated that the 2011 Older People's Strategy did not cover the future of Belhaven and Edington Hospitals. It did indicate the provision of three new care homes (Tranent, Musselburgh and the East of the County). There had been an engagement forum for Belhaven Hospital which had been disbanded. The forum was reinstated last year to be used as an engagement process on the future of Ward 2 at Belhaven Hospital. The forum has a number of stakeholders from the local community who can feed back views and be engaged in the planning for Belhaven Hospital. Dunbar and East Linton Area Partnership has a seat on the Forum.</p> <p>The Health and Social Care Partnership has concerns about Ward 2 around patient privacy and dignity, control of infection and health and safety. The Partnership feels that Ward 2 is not fit for purpose. The forum has been discussing this issue.</p> <p>DS reported to the Area Partnership on the development of 'Hospital at Home'. This is where all clinical care is given in the home (where clinically possible) rather than in hospital and should reduce the need for hospital beds such as those in Belhaven Ward 2</p> <p>DS also reported on longer term work on the future of Belhaven, Edington, Abbey and Eskgreen. This would explore a range of options including the existing site and refurbishment of the existing buildings. The work will also take account of the growing and ageing population and alternative models of care to meet their needs.</p> <p>There were questions around buildings, about lack of respite care beds, about the fact that this area of East Lothian is isolated and has transportation issues. As the Dunbar Area is rural there were different conversation to be had than if talking about a city. DS reported that Wiltshire has a very interesting model of extra care housing and has similar rural and small town populations to East Lothian. It is hoped that engagement with the community and views being</p>	

	<p>brought back to the Forum would help to build trust. DS and FO stated that there were no plans to close Belhaven Hospital and that the current discussion about Ward 2 did not mean that there would be no GP beds. The discussion is about other ways of working. If anyone would like to feed into the Forum please contact GW our Health and Wellbeing representative or contact the Area Partnership.</p>	
<p>6. Election of Area Partnership Chair</p>	<p>a. Current process/timetable obligation and options for change Within the Standing Orders it states that a Chair should be elected initially for 2 years and then every year thereafter. The initial 2 year period has now expired and the Area Partnership should seek election of the Chair. There was a discussion about whether this should be internal (within the Partnership) or externally (to advert). GR proposed PS, if she was willing to stand again. There was a discussion around the scheduling of the AP Annual Meeting and whether this should be changed to run in a different format so that information is being taken to the community rather than the community coming to a meeting. The question was put to the meeting as to whether they wished an election or whether to extend the Chairs position until next year. GR suggested that PS would remain as Chair for the next six months. PS stated that she was willing to do this and this was agreed by the full AP. There was added discussion around budgets and additional funding. It was also agreed by the Area Partnership that the ELC Elected Members will be better used to help resolve ongoing operational difficulties that arise with East Lothian Council</p> <p>b. AP decision on process/timetable for election for AP Chair None at the moment as the Post was extended for six months</p>	
<p>7. Project Updates</p>	<p>a. Dunbar Town Centre It was acknowledged that Dunbar town centre is looking much better with the bunting, banners and planters. A suggestion was made for dog tying posts to be installed outside some shops and it was agreed that SG would raise this with the Dunbar Traders Association. . Additional seating to be erected but planning permission will have to be sought for this. There was tabled a proposal for the St Anne’s end of the High Street. GR stated that the road at Westgate is in desperate need of repair and it was noted that this had already been raised with the ELC Roads team and consideration was given to these works being funded from the AP roads budget. Also the road in front of the Golf Course needs a way to make it safe to walk up. It’s quite narrow at the bottom end near the car park and a safe route to school needs to be delivered. KL provide a form of words for SG to raise with ELC Roads team</p> <p>b. Coastal pathway – the Promenade from the Rocks to the Golf course is in need of repair. GR has put in an application to Viridor to see if money could be sought to pay for the cost of the repair. GR has to obtain quotes for the work to be carried out. It is thought that these works may cost up to £50k.</p> <p>c. Dunbar Summer School 2017 SR told the members that the summer school had been a great success. The providers Foxlake, Coast to Coast and the Fashion School had all been very supportive. Excellent feedback had been received from the children who attended as well as from their parent / carers. The Courier had also published an article with very positive feedback as well. The children had</p>	<p>SG</p> <p>KL / SG</p>

	<p>come from varied backgrounds and were of varying age groups. The report by the independent consultant will be with the Area Partnership by the end of September.</p> <p>There was a vote of thanks to SG and LMac for all their work delivering the event. There was also a vote of thanks to the providers, in particular the Ridge for all the individual packages each day and how smoothly the breakfasts had been run each day. Sue and her staff had been fantastic throughout the event.</p>	
8. Budget and existing allocations	<p>a. Existing Allocations update</p> <p>b. Balance to be expended before 31 March 2018</p>	
9. Education Attainment Funding Panel and Recommendations	<p>There had been a meeting of the Children and Young People Education Funding Panel on the 3rd August to look over the funding applications which had been received to date.</p> <p>The projects that were looked at were:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Ridge – An extension of the Dunbar Backlands project previously supported by the AP. The Ridge are looking for a further 14k to keep running this project. The Funding Panel thought this was a good project to support and agreed to recommend that the AP provide the funding requested. 2. Support from the Start – This proposal was for £41K for a Family Worker for the first thousand and one days project (conception to age 2) in the, Dunbar area. The Funding Panel had recommended supporting this project but some members of the AP felt that they did not have enough time to fully consult their groups on this proposal and so it was agreed that this matter would be continued until the next Funding Panel meetings. 3. Dunbar Cluster Activities Access Fund (DCAAF) The group submitted a proposal for £15k to be allocated so that all children could have access to groups and clubs regardless of their family circumstance. This was agreed but there is to be a discussion about how this would be allocated to families and how to get the means to achieve this. 4. Dunbar Summer School 2018 There was a discussion on whether the Dunbar Summer School should run again in 2018 but it was decided to wait until the independent report had been produced before a wider discussion would take place. 	
10. Funding Proposals	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Support from the Start Resilience Film They are looking for £200 towards a lifelong licence for the Resilience Film. The Area Partnership agreed to fund this. b. East Linton Christmas Lights This group are looking for £5k to spruce up the town at Christmas. It was agreed to fund this project c. Rail Action Group They were looking for £295 for banners. It was agreed to fund the banners. 	
11. AOB	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. 20's Plenty East Linton Community have had a '20 plenty with areas of the Village but there was little or no information as to what areas were covered by the '20' – there was not enough signs and people were not adhering to the signs either. GR stated that if you took the number plate and give to the police they will speak to the car owner. The group thought that this message should be passed on. Dunbar Community Council had some areas also with '20 plenty' but it was felt that not everyone was adhering to the speed and that it should be in 	

	<p>other areas of the town.</p> <p>b. Board Walk PS raised the issue regarding access to Belhaven Beach from the car park and noted that it is currently very poor with wheelchair users and those with young children in prams being prevented from accessing the beach. PS proposed that a project be added to the Area Plan to consider developing a proposal to install a boardwalk across the marshland linking the beach and car park. This would significantly improve access for those affected groups and reduce the existing inequality. The AP agreed that the Area Plan should be updated to record this.</p>	
11. Date of next Partnership Meeting	The date of the next partnership meeting is 2 nd October 2017 at 7.00pm in the After School Club Room, Bleachingfield, Dunbar.	

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