

**Meeting of the Haddington & Lammermuir Area Partnership  
27<sup>th</sup> September 2018, 7-9pm,  
Saltire Room 1 & 2, John Muir House, Haddington**

**Meeting Chaired by:**

Frances Wright, Vice Chair (FW)



**Quorum:-**

12 members

**Members (and substitute members) present:**

Cllr Brian Small Elected Member, ELC (BS)  
Cllr Tom Trotter, Elected Member ELC (TT)  
Steven Wray, Support from the Start (SW)  
Malcolm Collins, Haddington Rotary Club (MC)  
Brian East, Haddington Community Sports Hub (BE)  
Louise Begbie, Haddington Rotary Club (LB)  
Al Beck, Humble, E&W Saltoun & Bolton Community Council (AB)  
Judith Warren, Haddington & District Business Association (JW)  
Penny Short, Garvald & Morham Community Council (PS)  
Nick Morgan, Gifford Community Council (NM)  
Paul Darling, Haddington & District Community Council (PD)  
Andy McBain, Knox Academy PC (AB)  
Jane Hobbs, Haddington Infants School Parent Council (JH)  
Scott McLennan, Haddington CAB (SM)  
Andy McBain, Knox Academy PC (AB)  
Claire Bennett, St Mary's RC Parent Council (CB)  
Joyce Lukkes, St Mary's Council & Mindfulness Teacher (JL)

**Others in attendance**

Stuart Gibb, Area Manager, ELC (SG)  
Lorna MacLennan, Business Support Administrator, ELC (LMAC)  
Doug Haig, Community Development Officer (DH)

**Apologies received**

Jemiel Benison, Haddington CAB (JB)  
Beverly Roberts, Yester Primary School Parent Council (BR)  
Marilyn McNeill, IJB Member (MM)  
Craig McLachlan, Chair (CM)  
Cllr Shamin Akhtar, elected Member, ELC (SA)  
Cllr John McMillan Elected Member, ELC (JM)  
Paul Sales, Bolton Steading Tenants & Residents Associations (PSa)  
Loreen Pardoe, Support from the Start, Haddington (LP)  
David Barrie, Haddington East TRA (DB)  
Phillip White, Garvald & Morham Community Council (PW)

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	Agenda Item	Key discussion points	Action
1	<b>Welcome</b>	FW welcomed everyone to the meeting in the absence of the Chair. FW asked everyone to introduce themselves round the table. LM stated the meeting was quorate.	
2	<b>Apologies</b>	Apologies were noted.	
3	<b>Approval of minutes</b>	The minutes of the last meeting were approved.	
4	<b>Matters Arising</b>	There were no matters arising that were not covered by the Agenda	
5	<b>Draft Area Plan</b>	<p>The plan had been circulated before the meeting. SG spoke through the plan especially as there were new faces at the table. The Haddington &amp; Lammermuir Area Plan was the first plan to be taken to the East Lothian Partnership for approval. The group came back and asked for the first plan to be shortened, hence the version for discussion. The Area Partnerships main role is to tackle inequalities, the information used comes from many documents but also to use local knowledge to help with priorities and challenges of the areas with the Partnerships.</p> <p>There was a discussion about the Area Partnership aiming to become proactive rather than reactive as far as priorities are concerned. The challenge is for each member of the Area Partnership to come forward with projects that can be supported and make a difference within the community.</p> <p>It was agreed to take the draft to the next stage.</p>	ALL
6	<b>Area Partnership – Changes to Standing Orders</b>	<p>The paper was circulated before the meeting. SG went through the Standing Orders pointing out the changes that have been made. These were approved and will be available updated with the papers for the next meeting.</p> <p>BS suggested that the AP agenda be changed so that the first item of business is a requirement for members to declare any interest that they might have in matters being discussed / agreed in the course of the meeting. All present agreed that this was a good idea.</p>	
7	<b>Children &amp; Young People Sub-Group</b>	<p><b>a. Update from the meeting on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2018</b> PS reported that at the meeting the guidance on attainment funding was circulated amongst members.</p> <p>The issue of rural transport and the barrier's it poses to attainment was then discussed and PS noted that there is a real issue with transport poverty in the ward which is particularly affecting the rural schools. The children from the schools miss out on many events organised in Haddington and within East Lothian because the school cannot afford to pay for transport for the children from the schools to these events. Yester Primary in particular has an increasing inability to be involved in cluster and inter-school events, educational trips and sports events and there needs to be a sustainable solution found to ensure that the kids in rural schools are not missing out on the same opportunities as other school in the ward.</p> <p>As part of the Children &amp; Young People Sub Group and ongoing commitment to finding solutions to this issue, PS contacted the Rural Development Trust, based in South Lanarkshire to find out how they overcome similar barriers. SG and PS met with the Chair of the Trust to</p>	

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		<p>discuss their community centred local transport project with a view to possibly adapting it to this area needs. SG and PS then met with Andrew McLellan (AMC), the Council transport officer, to discuss whether a similar project was viable in this area. AMC then attended the Children &amp; Young Peoples Sub Group on the 6<sup>th</sup> September 2018 and after some discussions he agreed to attend a meeting with PS, SG and Heather Williams, Head Teacher at Yester Primary School to discuss what the schools requirements are to ensure they are not excluded from same opportunities as that other schools in the cluster, also how their needs could be met. This meeting has been arranged for Thursday 25 October 2018 and PS will report back on that at the next meeting.</p>	
		<p><b>b. Support from the Start – Loose Parts – Funding Proposal &amp; Summary</b>            This paper was circulated before the meeting. The sub-group were fully supportive of the work of the Loose Parts Play Project and recommend the partnerships approves the funding. BS asked about the sustainability of this project. SG stated that Education Department are fully supportive of this project but had asked SW the same question. SW replied to the question. The project was always a 3 year project so that the ‘play’ aspect was embedded into all the schools. The main problem was storage for the equipment and this is being looked at. Once storage is overcome then many businesses are willing to contribute items for the project and would do for years to come. BS reiterated to the Area Partnership and new members that projects have no guarantee to be supported beyond the first year and usually have to show how they will sustain the project in the future. AB asked how members know that these projects were approved by Education. SG stated that the projects must go to the Education Department before they go to either the subgroups or the Area partnership. If Education do not support a project then it will not then progress to the Area Partnership for any consideration.</p> <p>The Area Partnership were happy to support this project for the sum of £26,000.00 from the education budget.</p>	
8	<b>Funding Proposals</b>	There are no other funding proposals	
9	<b>Annual Public Meeting</b>	<p>The Annual Public Meeting proposed for the 1<sup>st</sup> November has now been postponed until early next year. Volunteers were asked for to set up a working group for this event. FW, BE, SG and LM met to discuss the event. The theme of inclusivity was agreed. After a lot of discussion it was decided to ask a few groups who had been given funding this year to showcase their projects. SG approached Elaine Gale, who organises Our Community Kitchen in Haddington who received funding from the Area Partnership, who is delighted to make and serve lunch for the event. The Bowling Club who also received funding is delighted to host the event as long as it is run out with the bowling season. The MADE Art Hub has also been approached and they will run some small group events on the day. This is hoped to be run on a Saturday in Spring 2019. It was also thought it would be run on a Farmers Market Day. A meeting of the groups involved has to be set and will report back to the Area Partnership in due course.</p>	
10	<b>Medieval Play Event</b>	As this is the year of the Young People, a small group formed to organise an event on the morning of the Haddington 700 Big Day in Haddington. This event took place on 25 <sup>th</sup> August 2018. The event was great for both children,	

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		adults, members of the Rotary and the Area Partnership. All those involved were thanked for their part in the event and a debriefing meeting will be set up shortly. A mural was created on the day which is still to find a home. A letter had been sent to M&CO and Tesco to ask if they could display it outside their stores in Haddington. We await their response. BE asked if the hospital had been approached, SG stated yes but they declined. The Area Partnership originally provided £4k in funding for this event. At the moment the budget is sitting at £3.5k so currently underspent.	
<b>11</b>	<b>Budget Report</b>	The budget is attached with the updated spend from the evening.	
<b>12</b>	<b>Any other Business</b>	<p>a) LM previously circulated information regarding the Public Exhibition taking place next Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October for Taylor Wimpey and Mactaggart &amp; Mickel's proposal at Letham Mains Holdings. Everyone is encouraged to attend this meeting especially if you have a view on how the plans should look. BS and TT stated that this is a very positive situation as this is before the plans are put into the Planning Department and people can put their views on what type of housing should be there and how the development should look. It was also noted that this development is included in the Local Development Plan.</p> <p>b) SW stated that the AP monies previously given for the Resilience Film licence are being utilised. There was a showing at Knox Academy on the 29<sup>th</sup> August 2018 which was very well attended and other smaller showings coming up.</p>	
<b>13</b>	<b>Date of the next meetings</b>	<p>All meetings start at 7pm in John Muir House, Haddington (unless otherwise stated)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018</p>	

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Last Reviewed: 28/09/2018

Date Approved	Project	A		R		E		G	
		Amenity Services		Roads		Education		General	
		£100,000		£50,000		£ 100,000		£50,000	
03/04/2018	Rotary Club of Haddington - Skatepark event								500.00
12/04/2018	Catherine Wheels Theatre								800.00
30/04/2018	New Footway - The Avenue, Gifford				50,000.00				
17/05/2018	MADE in East Lothian								1,500.00
17/05/2018	Art Point Scotland								705.00
17/05/2018	East Lothian Foodbank - Red Box								523.00
17/05/2018	Adoption UK						13,900.00		
19/07/2018	Knox pupil counselling						25,195.00		
19/07/2018	HAL AP Medieval Play Day 25/08/18								4,000.00
19/07/2018	Our Community Kitcen								6,586.00
19/07/2018	Sports Hub - Get Haddington Active								5,000.00
19/07/2018	Athelstaneford Village Hall								5,000.00
27/09/2018	Support from Start Loose Parts Play (Yr 3)						26,000.00		
<b>Total Spend</b>		£	-	£	50,000	£	65,095	£	24,614
<b>Balance</b>		£	100,000	£	-	£	34,905	£	25,386