

Musselburgh
Area Partnership

Minutes of Musselburgh Area Partnership Meeting
Monday 3rd February 2020, 7.00pm – 9.00pm
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. Andrew Forrest, Elected Member (AF)
 Cllr. Fiona Dugdale, Elected Member (FD)
 Margaret Stewart, Musselburgh & Inveresk CC (MS)
 Irene Tait, Musselburgh & Inveresk CC (IT)
 Alister Hadden, Wallyford Community Council (AH)
 Sharon Jamieson, Wallyford Community Council (JS)
 Tanya Morrison, Whitecraig Community Council (TM)
 Linda Finlayson, Beach Lane TRA (LF)
 Natasha McInninie, Bridges Project (NM)
 Barry Turner, Musselburgh Conservation Society (AS)
 Cathie McArthur, Vice Chair, Health & Wellbeing Network (CMc)
 Pauline Crerar, Fisherrow Waterfront Group (PC)
 Tina Pollock, First Step (TP)

Others in attendance:

Stuart Baxter ELC Area Manager (SB)
 Shirley Gillie, ELC (SG)
 Marilyn McNeill, IJB (MM)
 Caroline Davis, Dialogue Youth Co-ordinator (CD)
 Anne Hoffman, Musselburgh Grammar School (AHO)
 Karl Cleghorn, Olivebank Stadium (KC)

Apologies:

Cllr. John Williamson, elected Member (JW)
 Cllr. Stuart Currie, Elected Member (SC)
 Katie Swann, Fisherrow Waterfront Group (KS)
 Veronica Noone, Fisherrow Waterfront Group (VN)
 Gaynor Allen, Musselburgh GS Parent Council (GA)
 Callum McGuire, Queen Margaret University (CM)

AGENDA ITEM	KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	ACTION
1. Welcome , Introductions and Apologies		
	IC welcomed everyone and apologies were noted. IC welcomed TP to her first Area Partnership meeting	
2. Conflict of Interest		
	IC informed members that it was imperative that any conflicts of interest are declared during a meeting and especially if this involves voting. IC asked members if, after declaring an interest, a member should be asked to leave the room during any voting process around the subject the member has declared an interest in. Members voted	

	unanimously to agree in future that members declaring an interest should be asked to leave the room during any subsequent voting process, and would be invited back to the meeting following the vote.	
3. Approval of Minutes – 2nd December 2019		
	Proposed by MS seconded by JM	
4. Matters Arising		
	IC intimated that all matters arising from the previous minutes would be discussed during each agenda item.	
5. Sub Groups		
	<p>Active Travel/On The Move BT advised a meeting will be arranged soon.</p> <p>Health & Wellbeing JM raised concerns regarding the attainment fund and the draft proposed budget for 2020/2021 and how this will affect the Musselburgh Community and impact all the Area Partnerships in East Lothian.</p> <p>JM informed the meeting that she and SB had visited Kirriemuir to see the highly successful Meeting Centre for people living with dementia and their carer's, with a view to trying to establish a similar meeting centre in the Musselburgh area. JM informed members that a meeting was arranged on the 19th February 2020 1pm till 4pm in the Esk Room in the Bruntonhall Musselburgh. All members will have received an invitation today. For anyone who cannot make this JM is happy to arrange a separate meeting.</p> <p>Budget & Priority Sub Group There has been no meeting of this sub group since November. However projects will be discussed under the Manager's report below.</p> <p>Your Voice Your Choice 3 This will be discussed under the Chair's report below.</p>	BT
6. Chair Report		
	<p>Your Voice your Choice 3 IC confirmed the focus of this year's project will be working with schools on environment and climate change. The sub group are working on this and he will report back to the partnership with any updates. If anyone would like to get involved the next meeting is tomorrow night 4.2.2020. Everyone welcome.</p> <p>IC received a proposal from GA proposing a climate change area partnership sustainability sub group. GA would lead this group and feed back to the area partnership. The group would look at various issues regarding plastics, air pollution, beach clean-up etc. IC enquired if this is something members would want? All members voted unanimously to agree to form this additional sub-group. FD asked if we could add to the application form if their project would involve climate change. IC said he can suggest the idea but this is a general form used over all 6 area partnerships.</p>	
7. Area Mangers Report - Approval of Key Projects		
	SB brought members up to date on the progress of current projects and initiatives:	

	<p>Area Managers Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p>Musselburgh Athletic FC – Ground Improvements at Olivebank Stadium (£12,500) Karl Cleghorn President of Musselburgh Athletic Football Club outlined the Project and answered questions put to him by the members present. He outlined that the Club was a community club and highlighted the need due to SFA license requirements and benefit of providing the floodlighting at the football ground. He explained that the ground was fully DDA (Disability Discrimination Act) compliant and had recently won a cup and were in the Scottish Cup. He added that he would encourage the use of the club by the community and would only look for a small payment to cover costs. IC asked how they would encourage others to use the facilities KC answered by advertising through printed and social media, through young people, popping into other groups, word of mouth, Radio Saltire sports Channel. SB asked how many teams were in the club? KC replied that they had one full team and an under 20’s team and it was hoped in future to have a Ladies football team. KM noted that there was significant funding coming from East Lothian Council towards these improvements? KC agreed but added that the club was sustainable and there was no other facility like this in Musselburgh with the potential to be used by the Community. He added that both home and visiting fans were on the increase and would help support local business. IC thanked KC for his attendance and for answering members questions. KC then left the meeting. Members voted and unanimously agreed to support this project for £12,500.</p> <p>Musselburgh Grammar School – Ocean Youth Trust (£12,000 for 3 years) Ann Hoffman from Musselburgh Grammar School outlined the Project and answered questions put to her by the members present. AH explained this was a 3 year pilot project targeted at 12 to 16 year olds via the pupil support Group in the School and liaising with the Community Police Officer. AH added that the programme would explore risk taking behaviours and develop the young person’s confidence, resilience, personal and social skills and develop team work. A major part was the young people making their own ‘Passage for Life’ evaluating risk taking behaviour and the impact on both them and the Community. There would be a focus on early intervention. AH explained the project involved a structured programme of 20 hours support from a Ocean Youth Trust youth development worker to build up good positive relationships prior to the voyage. It is a 12 month programme with 174 hrs of youth work delivered on a 70 ft yacht over two residential sailings. AH added that they had negotiated a significant reduction in cost with the OYT for this programme. SB stated that ELC Education Department also support this application. AH indicated that CM from QMU was keen to meet with her to look at future pathways. CMC enquired what equipment would be supplied to the young people and AH indicated that all the necessary equipment would be supplied. IC enquired how many young people would benefit from the initiative Ah replied that 10 for each of the 3 years meaning 30 in all. A discussion took place regarding the benefits of early intervention the need for sensitivity and the potential for those engaged in the programme would be more likely to engage with the school. CD added that she had seen similar programmes make a real difference. JMcl suggested it may be a good idea to link with local</p> 	
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groups involved in sailing activity. CD agreed and suggested potential to work with outdoor education.
Members voted and unanimously agreed to support this project for £12,000 (£4,000 per year for 3 years). All agreed this was an interesting project and looked forward to seeing this initiative progress.

- Wallyford and Whitecraig Easter and Summer Lunch / Activity Club (£14,500 but actual £9,052.61 to allow for a carryover from previous work). A question was asked regarding the number of children that would benefit from the initiative. SB replied that this would provide a free programme of learning activities including lunch for primary school aged children in 2 community centres in Wallyford & Whitecraig. Each centre would provide a 2.5hr session for 3 days over 2 weeks (Easter) and 4 weeks (Summer), he added that last year 355 children attended Wallyford and 204 at Whitecraig and he believed the numbers this year would be similar. JM added that 179 and 75 respectively had attended Wallyford and Whitecraig Family Learning Days and had been a huge success. A question was asked about the supply of materials for the clubs and that companies such as hobby craft could be expensive. Members were assured that Community Learning and Development sourced materials from a range of suppliers and always sought to achieve best value. A discussion took place about how children were encouraged to participate and how Community Learning and Development staff worked with the Schools to identify those children to be targeted to take part however, ensuring a good balance between targeted and general attendance to ensure no stigma was attached to attending these clubs. Members voted and unanimously agreed to support this project for £9,052.61

- Brunton Theatre Trust Craft Café (£1,580) SB made members aware that this was a club targeted at the over 50's and encouraged social interaction. It was hoped that there would be 16 participants per session. Both AF and KM declared a conflict of interest. Members voted and they unanimously agreed to support this project for £1,580.

- Musselburgh Twinning Association (£500) International Woman's Day Conference and Weekend. Both AF and BT declared a conflict of interest. BT explained the work of the Association and what they were seeking support for. A discussion took place regarding the merits of continuing with connections to Europe and the benefits of having a twinning Association. Both AF and BT left the room members voted and they unanimously agreed to support this project for £500.

- Baptist Church Christmas Lunch following a last minute request for help an e-mail went out to members on the 16 December and all who responded (17) backed the Proposal for £800 Sb made members aware that in the end only £400 was needed as they had managed to get additional support from others. Members voted unanimously to agree to ratify this decision.

- Musselburgh Total Place "Our Families" (£46,404) SB gave members an update that following the last meeting this project was referred back to the H&WB sub group for further Scrutiny a meeting was held on the 13 December and a full report on answers to questions issued to members . The group unanimously recommended acceptance of the Project this went back out to members on the 16 December, 16 members responded and backed the Project, a further two asked to see the report of answers to the questions submitted and answered at the meeting on the 13 December. This was subsequently sent out to all

	<p>members however, no further responses were received following this report.</p> <p>SB added that this Project has already attracted an additional £172k of additional funding to the Musselburgh Area in addition to this the project is out to tender for years 3,4,5,6,7,8 for at least this additional sum which could see a total of more than £600k of match funding allocated to this Project. SB asked if members were happy to ratify this decision. Members voted unanimously to agree to ratify this decision. JM suggested to invite A Hume along to a future partnership meeting to discuss progress.</p> <p>SB gave an update on other projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amenity Projects a) Musselburgh, Station Road car park – (wildlife planting) this work will be completed in spring. b) Musselburgh raised planters 2nd phase planted with wild flower (Eskside West, Brunton Court) this work will be completed in spring. c) Wallyford – Industrial estate road verge – work with Forestry team (clear bank & seed) this work had been completed d) Wallyford - Create new path from Community centre grassed area to new School this has been completed. e) Old Craighall – Create hedgerow and trees around the park, This work has been completed. f) Musselburgh Eskside west –rake ground and sow seed after transportation work, this work has been completed. g) Musselburgh Levenhall roundabout – bulbs / seed, this work has been carried forward until next year (spring). h) Musselburgh Install interpretation board at Shorthope street slipway, this has been completed. i) Musselburgh Install new bins (LBV6) to main street, take in old bins and revamp all bins, this work has been carried forward until next year (spring). j) River Esk path resurfacing, this work has been completed. h) Wallyford Bing – cutting back – still no word from Planning on what is to be done by the developer regarding Section 75 agreements. i) Wallyford – Gateway planter at Cleugh – additional Wild flower seeding will take place. <p>SB also made members aware that all additional signing has been ordered, the additional sign for Wallyford, the replacement of the old sign on Haddington Road and direction signs to the airforce and army cadets.</p> <p>SB also made members aware that additional work is currently underway at a sub group level where groups will be heavily involved with meeting centres, intergenerational work, active travel, flood prevention, mental health and many other priorities in 2020/21. SB made members aware that they could help by engaging with the sub-groups and a list of these groups and current members were circulated members were asked to give consideration to putting their names to these lists if they were able to support the work of these groups.</p> <p>SB made members aware that regarding the Flood Protection Scheme (FPS) the Community Council have a meeting on 25th February 2020 and invite everyone to attend for more information on this. Representatives from the FPS will be in attendance.</p>	
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	The Waterfront Group also have a meeting on the 2nd March 2020 in Fisherrow Yacht Club. Representatives from the FPS will be in attendance then too.	
8. Consultations		
	IC informed members of current consultations on the East Lothian Hub. These included: Tenant Participation Strategy 2020 Closes 27 March 2020 East Lothian Primary Care Improvement Plan Closes 30 April 2021	
9. Ban on parking on pavements		
	BT raised his concerns regarding exemptions from parking on pavements. Discussion took place. IC will contact roads department for an update on this and feed back to the partnership	IC
10. A.O.B.		
	MM raised concerns regarding possibly losing the attainment fund next financial year. IC thanked MM and said that this is already in hand and a draft report is being prepared for council to communicate the concerns of the removal of this budget from the Area Partnership and the risks of doing so. The report will also highlight the many achievements that the Area Partnership has achieved in the past 3 years through this budget. AH stated it was great to see the improvements this resource has made to the Musselburgh Area. JM raised concerns regarding the resources allocated to providing holiday lunch clubs, She felt that this was not adequate to address the needs in the Musselburgh Area. AH invited everyone to the Wallyford Pug Revealing on 7 th March 2020.	IC
2020 Meeting Dates		
Area Partnership meetings for 2020 are as follows:		Apologies to be sent to Musselburgh-ap@eastlothian.gov.uk
16 th March 2020	Musselburgh East Learning Centre	
15 th June 2020	Musselburgh East Learning Centre	
17 th August 2020	Musselburgh East Learning Centre	
28 th September 2020	Musselburgh East Learning Centre	
30 th November 2020	Musselburgh East Learning Centre	