

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Preston Seton Gosford Area Partnership  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> May AGM 2021, 7-9 pm  
Zoom Meeting**

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

Ruth Davie, Chair (RD)  
Cllr Lachlan Bruce, East Lothian Council (LB)  
Cllr Neil Gilbert, East Lothian Council (NG)  
Cllrs Fiona O'Donnell, East Lothian Council (FO)  
Brian Weddell, Prestonpans Community Council (BW)  
Leanne Ward, Prestonpans Community Council (LW)  
Bryan Hickman, Cockenzie and Port Seton Community Council (BH)  
Pamela Fraser, Cockenzie and Port Seton Community Council (PF)  
Claire Jamieson, Cockenzie Parent Council (CJ)  
Andy Castle, Preston Tower Primary (ACa)  
Andrew Crummy, Heritage Connections (AC)  
Stuart Thomson, Prestonpans Community Sports Hub (ST)  
Owen Smith, Prestonpans Management Committee (OS)  
Lisa Kerr, Co-chair Health & Wellbeing, (LK)  
Lorna Bellany, Pennypit Development Trust (LBE)  
Angie Davie, Pennypit Development Trust (AD)  
Beckie Peacock, Support from the Start (BP)  
Sheila Chambers, Cockenzie & Port Seton in Bloom (SC)  
Vincent Barron, Longniddry Community Centre Management Comm(VB)  
Phillipa Barber, Chair On The Move (PB)  
Allan Sneddon, Prestonpans Children's Gala (AS)

**Others in attendance:**

Emma Brown, Connected Communities Manager, ELC (EB)  
Shirley Gillie, Business Support Administrator, ELC (SG)  
Marilyn McNeil, IJB (MM)  
Lyn Marshall, Depute Lord Lieutenant (LM)  
2 Young People  
Tracey Redpath, Volunteer East Lothian (TR)  
Lori Tragheim, Community Learning Development (LT)  
Jonathan Sharples, Pennypit Development Trust (JS)  
Debbie Reynolds, Pennypit Development trust (DR)  
Kate Maynard, Team Manager Museums ELC (KM)  
Heather Higgins, Centre Head Prestonpans Community Centre (HH)  
Jackie Burton, Centre Head Longniddry Community Centre (JB)

**Apologies:**

Helen York, Longniddry Community Council (HY)  
Natalie Moir, Support from the Start (NM)  
Christine MacLean, Port Seton Centre Management Committee (CM)  
Lorraine Stevenson, Poverty Champion (LS)  
Cllr Willie Innes, East Lothian Council (WI)

AGENDA ITEM	KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	ACTION
<b>1. Welcome, Introductions &amp; Apologies</b>		
	<p>RD welcomed everyone along to the meeting. Introductions were made and RD thanked everyone for attending the annual general meeting tonight. It is a true testament to showing everyone wants to make a difference and bring all our communities together. RD advised the apologies would be covered under the members business meeting later. RD advised the meeting would be recorded and everyone was in agreement with this. We are also attempting to stream part of the meeting on Facebook live.</p> <p>The format of the meeting has been amended from the original agenda.</p>	
<b>2. Presentations</b>		
	<p>The following presentations were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PSG COVID Emergency Response</li> <li>• Funding Evaluations</li> <li>• Subgroup Reports</li> <li>• Preston Tower Development</li> <li>• Prestonpans War Memorial Development</li> <li>• Prestongrange Museum Development</li> </ul> <p>All presentations are available on the East Lothian Council website <a href="#">Agendas, reports and minutes   East Lothian Council</a></p>	
<b>3. Voting for Chair, Vice Chair</b>		
	<p>EB informed the meeting there have been no other nominations for Chair and RD was happy to continue as Chair for another year. Members voted unanimously for RD to continue as Chair. EB asked if anyone would like to consider the Vice Chair position to let us know.</p> <p>RD closed the facebook live at 8.32pm and thanked EB/SG/LBE and Carrie for all their help with the meeting tonight. RD stated that Preston Seton &amp; Gosford is a great partnership tackling inequalities across the Community.</p>	
<b>4. Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>		
	<p>Minutes of meeting on 10.03.2021 were approved by BW and seconded by SC.</p>	
<b>5. Matters Arising</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Radio Interview – RD has still to contact DBW to organise a date for this.</li> <li>• Evaluations – RD advised the evaluation for the PSG Christmas Festive period is complete and will be circulated to members in due course.</li> <li>• Review of Area Plan Covid – The Covid addendum of Area Plan has been sent to all members.</li> <li>• Preston Road – police and school are trialling preventative speeding measures including parking buddies, police present and children working with the police on monitoring speeds. EB has spoken with the parent council regarding a drop off zone as the membership of the parent council has depleted AC suggested it was better to liaise with the Head teacher. We are waiting to see the outcome of the preventative measures before continuing with discussions.</li> <li>• Dean Road – EB met with HY on site and Neil Clark Principal Countryside Officer is taking action.</li> <li>• Drop kerb John Bellany – EB confirmed this is not an adopted road and therefore cannot be actioned from our Roads Budget.</li> </ul>	

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	<p>SC asked if EB could check on the costs with the roads team and feedback at the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bus Stop Audit – BH has sent EB the Bus Stop audit which she has forwarded to Keith Scott in roads. The £5,000 includes the removal of the old unit.</li> </ul>	
<b>6. Declaration of Interest</b>		
	<p>Members were asked to declare any conflict of interest when voting tonight.</p> <p>FO declared a conflict for Pennypit application  LB declared a conflict for Pennypit &amp; PL project  RD/AD/ST declared a conflict for Pennypit application</p>	
<b>7. PSG Area Plan – Priority Voting 2020/2021</b>		
	<p>All three applications were discussed and EB confirmed that the scrutiny group had made recommendations. All three applications were accepted by majority vote.</p> <p>Preston Lodge Learning Foundation £3,600 – school uniform  Battlefield Trust £5,000 – Restoration of Prestonpans Town Hall  Pennypit Trust £15,000 – Family Support Project</p> <p>RD reminded members there will be a second round of funding. Opening of applications will be in August 2021.</p>	
<b>8. Area Partnership Handbook and Training</b>		
	<p>We have produced an Area Partnership member’s handbook which can be sent either electronically or posted. We asked members to indicate what their preference would be. There will also be Area Partnership members training coming up and once again members were asked to indicate if they would be interested in this.</p> <p>RD thanked everyone for coming along tonight. Huge thankyou to all the volunteers who are delivering projects. We are all very proud of what we have achieved as a partnership and what we will continue to achieve. Please be mindful and look after yourself.</p>	
<b>9. Agree dates for Area Partnership Meetings 2020</b>		
	<p>The agreed dates for 2021 meetings are as follows. They will remain zoom meetings at the moment.</p> <p>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021  Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021  Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021  Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021</p>	<p><b>Apologies to be sent to -</b>  <b>psg-</b>  <b><u>ap@eastlothian.gov.uk</u></b></p>