

Musselburgh
Area Partnership

**Minutes of Musselburgh Area Partnership Zoom Meeting
Monday 31st January 2022, 7.00pm – 9.00pm**

Members (and substitute members) present:

Iain Clark, Chair (IC)
 Cllr. Katie Mackie, Elected Member (KM)
 Cllr. John Williamson, Elected Member (JW)
 Cllr. Andy Forrest, Elected Member (AF)
 Cllr. Stuart Currie, Elected Member (SC)
 Alister Hadden, Wallyford Community Council (AH)
 Natasha McInninie, Bridges Project (NM)
 Janice MacLeod, Support from the Start (JM)
 Cathie McArthur, Vice Chair, Health & Wellbeing Network (CMc)
 Christine Shaffer, Levenhall TRA (CS)
 Linda Finlayson, Beach Lane TRA (LF)
 Emma Stewart, Musselburgh Churches Together (ES)
 Leslie Milton, Musselburgh Churches Together (LM)
 Tracey Redpath, Volunteer Centre East Lothian (TR)
 Veronica Noone, Fisherrow Sea Front Association (VN)
 Alan Stevens, Musselburgh Conservation Society (AS)

Others in attendance:

Stuart Baxter ELC Area Manager (SB)
 Shirley Gillie, ELC (SG)
 Jane Cummings, ELC (PM)
 Jade Hall, ELC Active Schools Coordinator (JH)
 Anna Potter, ELC Active Schools Coordinator (AP)
 Lucy Daniels, EL Foodbank Community and Outreach manager (LD)

Apologies:

Irene Tait, Musselburgh & Inveresk CC (IT)
 Barry Turner, Musselburgh Conservation Society (BT)
 Callum Maguire, Queen Margaret University (CM)
 Margaret Stewart, Musselburgh & Inveresk CC (MS)

AGENDA ITEM	KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	ACTION
1. Welcome , Introductions and Apologies		
	IC welcomed everyone and apologies were noted. IC advised that the meeting would be recorded and held for a maximum of two weeks then deleted and was only used to prepare the minutes.	
2. Conflict of Interest		
	This is a standing item on the agenda. Please declare any conflict of interest when projects are being discussed or when voting on funding applications.	
3. Consultation		

to be sent members for consideration by email however undertook where time scales allowed to give members two weeks' notice prior to a decision being required.

CMc enquired if it would be possible to apply for funding from Project 21 for street parties. IC confirmed that this was unlikely to meet the criteria for Project 21. SB advised that instead an application to the MAP general fund could be submitted. ES advised the Churches in Musselburgh are looking at how they can serve the community, including the possibility of a community kitchen. They are currently working with the Cyrenians providing meals for people who need them. SB advised funding was provided for cookery courses and a meeting had been set up for 1st February 2022 with JC to look into this further. LM clarified that they intended to investigate holding additional cooking classes and may need support from the MAP. SB replied that an application form could be sent out to LM and added if anyone has any other suggestions or ideas for projects to please get in touch for an application form and a copy of the Area Plan.

8. Connected Communities Managers Report

SB updated members on the current situation with the area partnership budgets:-
 Expenditure on this Year's General Budget to date is:-

Musselburgh Rugby Club -	£8,000
Eskmuthe Rowing Club	£10,000
Summer Planters	£1,230.60
Winter Plants	£1,000 (committed)
Levenhall roundabout	£10,474(committed)
Project Proposal from MAP Project 21	£21,000(committed)
David MacBeth Moir Cleaning	£500
Whitecraig Christmas Lights	£2000
Cycle Hoops at Fisherrow Harbour	£323.00

Still to be committed from General Fund £45,472.40. This may increase if the full £21,000 for Project 21 is not allocated.

AH advised members that he had personally completed the cleaning of the moss on the statue in time for the memorial and there was no longer a need for the £500. SB thanked AH for going above and beyond in his efforts to clean the Davis MacBeth Moir statue.

Road Project (£50,000) SB reminded members that Roads Services had chosen the footway at Eskside West (New St to N High St) and the proposed start date is Monday 7 February 2022.

Additional funding.

Area	Formula %	Food/ Welfare (+ holiday hunger £)	Digital inclusion	Total awarded to the APs	Additional youth work*
Musselburgh Area	25%	£30,000 (+£7,500)	£6,250	£36,250	£18,700

	<p>SB advised members that £25,367.20 had already been allocated from the additional Scottish Government Food and Welfare funding provided to the Area Partnership to prioritise. SB made members aware that an application had just been received from Wallyford and Whitecraig Management Committees through PM to purchase additional computers, tablets and digital services to be used within the Wallyford, Whitecraig and Musselburgh areas. This application will be sent out to members for a decision by email.</p> <p>Amenity Services SB updated members that amenities were currently experiencing staffing issues and are actively recruiting at the moment. Due to this there is difficulty in completing the projects. SB added that he was currently looking into the possibility of using Amenity Services contractors to enable some of the projects to be achieved this year. SB highlighted any capital costs would need to come from the general budget.</p> <p>SB reminded members that the original list of Amenity projects included:- Renew High Street / Bridge Street Planters and Beach Terrace lane. Revamp the Levenhall Roundabout with a variety of bulbs from snowdrops/ bluebells etc to have continuous colour through to summer wildflower. Bulbs at Wallford pug Other Potential projects looking into</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Station Road carpark area • 2nd phase raised planters • Supply and install new bins on High Street • Ravensheugh burn path • Wallyford Gateway planter at the Cleugh • Memorial path • Ph2 Hope Place pathway • Wallyford Albert Place woodland Ph4 • Improving access at Wallyford ping 	
9. A.O.C.B		
	<p>IC mentioned it was great to see the Drift path completed and has used this path himself. AH agreed that it was fantastic to see this path and the links it provides completed and added it will provide great benefits to the community.</p> <p>AP/JH enquired about getting involved in the Health & Wellbeing sub group. JM welcomed them onto the sub group and added that they could now consider themselves valued members.</p> <p>IC thanked everyone for their attendance and confirmed that sub group meeting for Communities Day had been arranged for Tuesday 1st March 2022 at 6.30pm an email will be sent out to members of the subgroup.</p>	
2022 Meeting Dates		
<p>Area Partnership meetings for 2022 are as follows:</p> <p>14-Mar 2022 13-Jun 2022</p>	<p>Apologies to be sent to <u>Musselburgh-</u></p>	

22-Aug 2022 AGM
03-Oct 2022
28-Nov 2022

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