

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Preston Seton Gosford Area Partnership**  
**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023, 7-9 pm**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**Pennypit Centre**

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

Ruth Davie, Chair (RD)  
Ben Morse, Vice Chair (BM)  
Cllr Neil Gilbert, East Lothian Council (NG)  
Cllr Colin Yorkston, East Lothian Council (CY)  
Cllr Brooke Ritchie, East Lothian Council (BR)  
Helen York, Longniddry Community Council (HY)  
Liz Clark, Cockenzie and Port Seton Community Council (LC)  
Sandra Bell, Chairperson Port Seton Centre Management Committee (SB)  
Peter Dickers, Port Seton Centre Management Committee (PD)  
Pamela Fraser, Cockenzie and Port Seton Community Gala (PF)  
Sheila Chambers, Cockenzie and Port Seton in Bloom (SC)  
Marlene Love, Cockenzie and Port Seton in Bloom (ML)  
Claire Jamieson, Preston Lodge High School Parent Council (CJ)  
Natalie Moir, Support from the Start (NM)  
Michelle McKinney, Support from the Start (MM)  
Tracey Redpath, Volunteer Centre East Lothian (TR)  
Stuart Thomson, Prestonpans Community Sports Hub (ST)  
Graeme Hutchison, Prestonpans Children's Gala (GH)

**Others in attendance:**

Shirley Gillie, Business Support Administrator, ELC (SG)  
Emma Brown, Connected Communities Manager, ELC (EB)  
Jordan Irvine, ELC Community Development Officer (JI)  
Chloe Houston, Senior Business Support Assistant (CH)  
Audrey Bain, Relief Community Development Assistant (AB)  
Angie Fraser  
Kat Prangle, Motherbaby Together (KP)  
Samantha Laidlaw, Motherbaby Together (SL)  
Sean Crawford, Pennypit Development Trust (SC)  
Jonathan Sharples, Pennypit Development Trust (JS)  
Ewan Stritton, Pennypit Development Trust (ES)  
Lisa Irvine, Pennypit Development Trust (LI)  
Kirsty Milne, Can Do (KM)  
Irene Watson, In Bloom (IW)  
Hugh Bissett, In Bloom (HB)  
David Ferrier, John Bellany (DF)  
Heather Tait, Preston Lodge High School (HT)  
Lee Dowling, Preston Lodge High School (LD)  
Ethan James, East Lothian Play Association (EJ)  
Hannah Montgomery, Lighthouse (HM)  
Rod Russell, EL member centre NTS (RR)  
Anna Beedle, GP Prestonpans NHS (AB)

**Apologies:**

Sandra Darling, Cockenzie and Port Seton Community Council (SD)  
 Lesley Mohammed, Cockenzie and Port Seton Community Council (LM)  
 Alan Sneddon, Prestonpans Children's Gala (AS)  
 Lyn Marshall, Deputy Lieutenant (LM)  
 Matthew Howie, Longniddry in Bloom (MH)  
 Debbie Reynolds, Co-Chair Health & Wellbeing Sub Group (DR)  
 Angie Davie, Pennypit Community Development Trust (AD)  
 Jill Brown, Preston Lodge High School Parent Council (JB)  
 Margaret Russell– EL member centre NTS  
 Anna Scott, Pennypit Trust

AGENDA ITEM	KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	
<b>1. Welcome, Introductions &amp; Apologies</b>		
	RD welcomed everyone along to the Annual General Meeting. A chance to showcase all the amazing funding that has been awarded to help make an impact in our Community. Apologies were noted.	
<b>2. Minutes of previous meeting</b>		
	Minutes from the 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 meeting were approved by Pm and seconded by HY.	
<b>3. Matters Arising</b>		
	BM informed members that most of the actions would be discussed later in the agenda but advised:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roads point – A walk around meeting between CPS CC and Management committee still to take place</li> <li>• Bus stop roof – EB has found out the new contractor can supply but there is an issue with upkeep as ELC cant do this</li> </ul>	<b>SB/LM</b>
<b>4. Presentations from Project Funded on 2022/2023 – Slides Available</b>		
	It was great to see and hear from so many people that had been awarded funding from last year's PSG budget. 18 amazing projects covering a very broad spectrum and all making a difference in our Community.	
<b>5. Reports from Sub Groups – Slides Available</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children &amp; Youth Network</li> <li>• Sustainable PSG</li> <li>• Health &amp; Wellbeing</li> <li>• Heritage Connections (Salt of the Earth)</li> </ul>	
<b>6. Membership, Voting for Chair, Vice Chair</b>		
	Members were reminded to keep us up to date on any changes to member representation. EB then chaired the meeting and advised members that RD is stepping down after an amazing 4 years as Chair of the PSG Area Partnership. A huge thank you from everyone for the massive impact you have made. EB confirmed there have been no nominations for the Chairs position and asked if there were any nominations from the meeting tonight. No nominations. EB confirmed that BM would step in for one year only or until someone came forward for the position. TR proposed and PF seconded that BM becomes Chair of the PSG Area Partnership. BM wanted to thank RD for all her commitment and dedication.	

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	BM confirmed there had been no nominations received as yet for Vice Chair and if anyone is interested please get in touch. BM is happy to treat this like an apprenticeship to help and support someone.	
<b>7. A.O.C.B</b>		
	None	
<b>8. Voting</b>		
	All those in attendance were invited to vote on the funding projects that had been received with the stickers in their packs. Proposals were also encouraged for Roads and Amenities on the maps provided.	
<b>9. Area Partnership Meetings Dates for 2023</b>		
	07.06.2023 06.09.2023 11.10.2023 22.11.2023	<b>Apologies to  be sent to -  <u>psg-  ap@eastlothi  an.gov.uk</u></b>