



UPHALL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on 23rd April 2025

In attendance: Irene Bishop (chair), David Flight, Lynne McEwen, Jonathan Moore, Pippa Plevin, George Scott, Reece Sinnott, Mike Carlin, Colin Graham

Apologies: Tony Boyle, Janet Campbell

1. The minutes of the March meeting were agreed with the addition of Reece Sinnott to those present. Minutes were approved by David Flight seconded by Jonathan Moore.

2. Greendykes Road Development

Colin Graham gave further information on the hybrid plan of housing and a park area. First stage of the planning application will be at the end of May. There was further discussion on the impact of traffic in the area.

3. Matters arising from March minutes:

Kurdish barber: Lights which caused concern appear to be turned off.

Insurance: All notice boards are covered by our current public liability.

4. Reports

Treasurer: Balance £7059.61 £396.00 has come in from the Council for last year's grant. £41.47 paid to the Website domain. £4775.60 paid to tree lights.

Planning:

- Middleton Avenue: Application to remove trees - objection sent in and a request made for TPO.
- Houstoun Mains: Application for extension - holding order replied. Application noted.
- Replacement of Telecommunications Pole East Main Street: Objection to be made on account of height of proposed pole at 17m.
- Donali, East Main Street: Installation of windows and doors. Noted.
- Rosemount Drive: Extension noted.

BUTCMG: No report

Joint Forum

WLC is holding Engaging Communities training, the Who, the What, the Why. Wed 14th May 5.00pm by Teams. It is an interactive session to build your community engagement skills. The Engaging Communities Toolkit is available to download. Lorraine will be sending the MS Teams invite. VSGWL held the same training a couple of weeks ago that was well received. The Joint Forum intends to support the Bathgate CC and Murieston petitions regarding car parking and their proposal for not charging but enforcing illegal parking. Uphall Station is one of the stations that WLC intends to charge £5.00 per day to park at. The Joint Forum held a planning forum on 17th March with Kate Hopper. The notes are available to view and they link to the presentation that was given on NPF4 and the Call for Ideas that is part of LDP2. This closes at the end of May and is a good way of inputting ideas without submitting a full LDP.

The Minutes and March newsletter are available.

West Lothian Climate Action Network Hub

The Easter newsletter is available. You can subscribe to the Newsletter on the WLCAN website.

EANAB

EAL is still working to submit what is required by the CAA to pass the ACP Gateway. The public ACP consultation is expected to start late autumn and may run in to Christmas. All minutes for EANAB monthly meetings are on the EANAB website.

It was agreed to write to the Chief Executive outlining our concerns at potential charges for parking. Concerns included the effect on local businesses, detrimental to using public transport.

5. Correspondence

International Workers Day Service: 11.00am 25th April

VE Day: Invitation to service at Kirk of Calder 8 May

Firework Safety Awareness training: 29th April

Engaging Communities Toolkit: Online meeting 14th May

6. Other business

It was noted a traffic accident had occurred at A89 traffic lights.