



UPHALL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 19th August 2026

In attendance: Irene Bishop (chair), David Flight, Jonathan Moore, Lynne McEwen, Reece Sinnott, Eszter Kalapos

Apologies: Cllr Janet Campbell, Cllr Angela Doran Timson, Pippa Previn

Members of the community were also present.

1. Minutes of the June meeting were agreed proposed by Jonathan Moore, seconded by Irene Bishop

2. Matters arising

There is still no location for the Post office. Scotmid is suggested as the best option.

Facelook. There is still an issue with placing of bins. Cllr Carlin to follow up. The bins are currently blocking the solar talking posts. There is also an issue with bins on the Main Street, pit side Pearl and Vine, the chiropractors, the Motor Cycle Union and flat at the bus stop.

Bus shelter. Debris around bus shelter noted.

Shop window at former newsagents. There has been some improvements in signage although still some concerns.

Sale of vaping products. Trading Standards monitor premises. The Scottish Parliament is considering further legislation on vaping.

Millbank Park. There has been some improvements but there are concerns of a water leak. Cllr Boyle to follow up.

Remembrance Service. Graham Hope to be contacted regarding charges for Strathbrock Community Centre at the Remembrance commemoration event.

3. Reports

Treasurer

Closing balance £1753.64

Planning

The Community Council noted the following

Uphall Business Park industrial building. . Granted

Illuminated advertising display. Withdrawn

15 Rosemount Drive. Garage conversion Certificate of Lawfulness granted

17 Glebe Road. Short term let. Certificate of lawfulness: refused

Uphall Business Park. Warehouse: Awaiting decision

Land south of Middleton. Tree removal: awaiting decision

Uphall Industrial Estate. Boiler for waste tyre disposal Awaiting decision. The Community Council Wishart to object on the basis of concern over traffic and fumes.

38 East Main Street. Conversion of garage: awaiting decision. Objection due to lack of parking and shared access.

56 East Main Street. Summerhouse: Awaiting decision. The Community Council considered the application and the views of the neighbouring resident. It was agreed that the Community Council would not put in an objection but would ask the Council to consider all the points made by the neighbouring resident and also to visit the site to ensure the work carried out would be in accordance with the plans.

BUTCNG. No report

Joint Forum. Cllr Carlin reported on concerns raised at the speed and noise of racing motorbikes in the area.

EANAB

ACP report not expected until September

4. Correspondence

From Pauline Stafford MSP outlining the Scottish Parliaments progress on vaping legislation

5. From Licensing. Pearl and Vine have applied for an alcohol license. The Community Council agreed to this.

6. Publicity of Community Council. It was agreed that the date and place of meetings should be more visible. A calendar should be issued with details on Facebook. It was also agreed to produce a digital Newsletter with some hard copies available in local shops.

7. Purple Poppy Memorial event will take place on 24 th August at 7.00 pm at the memorial on Ecclesmachan Road

8. Other business.

A resident raised the issue of the overgrown path leading from Middleton Hall which is a right of way. The resident was advised to contact the council and report back to the Community Council if no progress.

Broxburn and Uphall Church have commissioned a Community audit. This can be viewed on the church website.

The question was raised of a local depository for small electrical such as batteries. David Maule to be contacted.

It was agreed that paper and ink cartridges would be purchased to offset the printing done by the Treasurer, Secretary and the Planning Secretary.