

UPHALL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on 15th January 2025

In attendance: Irene Bishop (chair), David Flight, Lynne McEwen, Jonathan Moore, Pippa Plevin, Cllr Tony Boyle.

Apologies: Cllr Janet Campbell

1. The minutes of the November meeting were agreed, proposed by David Flight, seconded by Jonathan Moore.

2. Matters arising

Talking posts: Stewart Ness and Graham Whitelaw to be contacted re talking posts.

Christmas event: This went very well. Suggested there be 2 nights if Broxburn is to be included in the route. A gift will be purchased for Julie Delaney for her help with the event.

3. Housing Development

Colin Graham gave a detailed update on the planned housing development at Greendykes Road. Questions were asked regarding infrastructure. Colin will continue to give updates to the Community Council.

4. Reports

Treasurer: Balance £2037.50.

Planning:

West hall Gardens. Application refused.

40 West Main Street. Concerns at potential use of the building. Jonathan to communicate our concerns.

Uphall Business Park. Concerns noted regarding heavy vehicles. Also concerns on the traffic light system in this area.

Carledubs Avenue. Erection of outbuilding in place. Use of building unclear. Jonathan to respond.

Quarter Farm Trust: This was looked at but not suitable as a potential source of funding.

BUTCMG: No report.

Joint Forum:

A Report on the Community Centre Review went to Council Exec on 14th Jan. The Joint Forum will be having a meeting with the Chief Exec and his Team on Mon 20th Jan, where the Community Centres will be discussed.

Scheme Review

The Scheme public consultation Report went to the CPR PDSP on the 3rd Dec. The 3rd round of consultation started on the 12th Dec and will close on the 20th Feb 2025. The responses will again be reviewed before a final report is produced in the Spring.

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The MINUTES for the last JF Exec meeting held on the 21st Nov are available for download.

The next meeting is on Thur 16th Jan by Google Meet.

West Lothian Climate Action Network Hub

The November Newsletter is available to view. If you want to be sent a copy you can subscribe on the webpage. Orchard trees are being delivered to those Members that applied for them, and there are pruning workshops being held on the 17th and 26th Jan taught by Elinor Leslie from the Community Engagement Team at the Botanics in Edinburgh.

Another round of ECO Development Funds has just been launched, closingMore information on the website.

There is a WLCAN Gathering planned for the 21st Feb at Howden Park Centre. More details soon.

EANAB

The EAL Noise Action Plan public consultation is open until the end of January. See EANAB webpage for details and background, and the EAL webpage to submit a response.

You can also view the draft Noise Action Plan.

Although ACP has been halted, Edinburgh Airport will be resubmitted to the CAA on January 31st. They are hopeful that the ACP public consultation can start after Easter.

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All Minutes for EANAB monthly meetings are available on the EANAB website

5. Correspondence

Community Scheme review consultation ends on 20th February.

From Councillor Diane Calder indicating her intention to retire from Council duties at the end of December 2024. Appreciation was expressed of all Diane's work for the Community Council over a number of years. A card will be sent to Diane with our thanks and good wishes.

Invitation to Lunar New Year celebration at West Lothian College on 2nd February.

Open Space Plan consultation running to 6 March.

6. Other business.

Turkish barbers: Enforcement order to be issued with regard to inappropriate signage.

Cemetery: Wire baskets have been removed causing issues with disposal of flowers.