

## Minutes of meeting held on 16th November 2022 held in Uphall Community Centre and via Zoom

In attendance : Irene Bishop (chair), David Flight, Lynne McEwen, Jonathan Moore, George Scott, Cllr Diane Calder

Apologies : Pippa Plevin, Cllr Janet Campbell

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

2 Matters from previous minutes

Bottlebanks: looking at relocation.

Saugh Tree plaque : event postponed at present.

Planning consultation Uphall Estates: Irene and Jonathan had attended a meeting. Points raised included concern regarding increased traffic and possible smell.

Christmas cards have been ordered 90 for the Community Council 10 for the winners family.

Polling stations: A response has been received regarding the reduction in polling stations for the December by election. The number of polling stations will be increased again in future.

Your Council Your Say: individual responses are to be encouraged.

There has been positive feedback on the Remembrance event.

Santa : Santa will visit Uphall on 19th December.

3 Reports

Treasurers report: Balance £1909.70. The Treasurer will pay the £150.00 to planning for silhouettes and be reimbursed.

Planning: No matters to report

BUTCMG: Silhouettes have been installed.

Memorials are to have uplighters.

More lights to be added to trees in Goschen and Ecclesmachan Road.

Defibrillators to be situated at Scotmid, Wazs shop and the Community Centre,

Noticeboards to be replaced.

Old town centre area to be improved.

Tammy Johnstone bench has been reinstated.

## **EANAB**

A presentation was given to the Board by EAL on Night Noise and Aircraft Movement. EAL intend to acquire Volans 3 D visualisation software for noise modelling and airspace planning. It will be used for the public consultation in order to show people where the aircraft are actually going to fly, the noise contours and the population around the flight paths they are proposing.

The proposed flight paths will include a new one to the east down the Firth of Forth. There will be a turn beyond Uphall to the west but have been assured it will be taking in to account the Bangour development.

The new capacity forecast for the airport shows fewer short haul and more long haul flights. EAL is forecast to have adequate capacity until 2044.

The CAA is still clarifying some points with EAL on it's latest ACP plan before moving to the next stage. The public consultation is on track in spring 2023,

Joint Forum

The Cost of Living working group continues to meet and the Help with Cost of Living booklet is now available in Partnership and Community Centres.

The WLC Hub web page is being updated with the help available.

The JF supported the proposal by Bathgate CC for decisions on Common Good Land to be taken by the appropriate LAC. This was taken forward by the SNP group as an amendment to the report of the Council Executive on 25th October. The vote went against the amendment. The JF will continue to support Bathgate CC in whatever they decide to do to progress this.

After a report to the Economic, Empowerment and Wealth Building PDSP the Council intends to do a review of Town Centre Management committees. Bathgate CC have proposed they become a sub group of the LACs. This will be considered in the review.

The JF sent a supportive e mail to Dechmont CC to be included in their submission on the Burnhouse Development Planning Appeal.

The next meeting of the JF Exec is on 16th November.

## 4 Correspondence

From Bathgate Community Council regarding a proposal to become a subgroup of the LAC. It was agreed that Uphall Community Council were satisfied with the present system.

King Georges Park: communication received outlining no further work on the park. The works already completed were detailed but the Community Council are concerned about work still to be done but no funding available. A meeting will be arranged to discuss this.

5 Other business

Drop kerb map to be completed

There have been changes to the 276 bus route.

Queens Jubilee pin now placed on map.