

# Minutes of meeting held on 19th October 2022 held in Uphall Community Centre and via Zoom

In attendance : Irene Bishop (chair), David Flight, Lynne McEwen, Jonathan Moore, Cllr Angela Doran-Timson

Apologies: Pippa Plevin, George Scott, Cllr Janet Campbell, Cllr Diane Calder

#### 1 Ecclesmachan Road

Stuart Colbron, West Lothian Council spoke on the issues regarding the Ecclesmachan Road. It was noted any type of vehicle is entitled to use the road and it is a main north south route. Stuart is meeting with the police to discuss the issue of speeding on the road.

It is unlikely the Council will take any action on the Ecclesmachan Road as it is not a priority having a low accident rate. A request was made to monitor the air quality. Stuart was thanked for his very helpful presentation.

2 Minutes of the September meeting were agreed, proposed by Jonathan Moore, seconded by Irene Bishop.

### 3 Matters from previous minutes

The graffiti on the boxes has been removed.

Dechmont Community Council: a note of support was sent to Dechmont Community Council regarding the planning for housing in Dechmont.

Town Centre Funding: still awaiting confirmation of allocation of funds.

Bottle Bank: Jim Jack West Lothian Council is pursuing relocation.

Saugh Tree: unveiling of plague on 28th October.

# 4 Reports

Treasurer: Balance at 27th August £2029.70

Planning: consultation on Uphall Estates heat producing facility: can attend in person to discuss. South Middleton: appeal successful for extension to dwelling house.

BUTCMG: discussed Christmas arrangements. Camera on lamppost at Dargai erected by the council to monitor fly tipping.

#### **EANAB**

The Stage 2 airspace change submission has been delayed as clarification has been sought by the CAA on a few points. It is thought not to delay it for long though. EAL is contracting a n aviation consultancy group to look at how different flight paths might mitigate noise for communities around the airport.

Joint Forum The Cost of Living Working Group have met again and a finalised Help with Cost of Living booklet will be distributed shortly. Bathgate CC have made some suggestions regarding the Cost of Living Crisis and have had an encouraging reply from WLVSG.

The next meeting of the Joint Forum is on 20th October 6.30pm via Webex.

The minutes of the meeting on 21st September are available

# 5 Correspondence

The chair made a declaration of interest with regard to the next item: A letter was received from a resident expressing concern at the provision of only one polling station for Uphall at the December election. The Community Council agreed with the objections specifically the difficulty of some residents accessing the single polling station and thereby disenfranchising a sector of the Community. A letter will be sent to Graham Hope detailing these concerns.

Your Council Your Say: this consultation to be placed on Facebook.

6 Other business

Christmas Cards: the suggested list was agreed and price sought for 100.

Remembrance Parade and service leaving from Broxburn Church on 13th November.

Consultation is sought on a light Post Office placed in Goschen Place.

Queens Canopy: to be added to Queens Canopy map.

QR codes on trees to mark Queens Jubilee to be named on the website.