

UPHALL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 15th March 2023 in Uphall Community Centre and via Zoom

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

Apologies: Pippa Plevin, Cllr Diane Calder, Cllr Tony Boyle, Cllr Angela Doran-Timson

1. The minutes of the February meeting were agreed proposed by Jonathan Moore seconded by George Scott

2. Matters arising

Defibrillator: this will be fitted at the end of March

Talking post: £2500.00 allocated

3. Reports

Treasurer: Bank balance remains the same. Zurich Insurance is paid by the Council. Need to confirm if parades are included in the policy.

Planning: Application for the erection of a car port in Manse Park. Extension to a house in Houstoun Gardens. Erection of clubhouse at Uphall Golf Club

All of these were agreed.

BUTCMG

Money for projects discussed. BUTA has ceased due to retirement; a card will be sent to Gordon Allan. An interactive screen is being installed in the library.

EANAB

The EAL Q4 2022 Noise Report has been made available. EANAB responded with a summary. EANAB is writing to the CAA to find out how they have taken on the role of ICCAN which was wound up in 2021. There particularly needs to be uniformity on insulation standards for all airports. The EACC were given a presentation on Sustainable Aviation which was shared with EANAB. The

Education and Training subgroup in conjunction with EAL is looking at producing education materials on aircraft noise that can be shared with communities.

The Community Council were reminded there is a space on EANAB if wished.

Joint Forum

The Joint Forum AGM will take place as a hybrid in the Civic Centre Conference Room 3 on Saturday 1st April at 10.30 am. All Community Councillors are welcome to join either in person or on Google Meet. We are hoping to have council officers joining us to talk on the WLC Implementation of Community Wealth Building and how the National Planning Framework effects West Lothian. Prior to that there will be an online election for office beaters and Joint Forum Executive. If anyone wishes to put themselves forward for these positions please e mail West Lothian @gmail.com before Friday. For clarity any Community Councillor can put themselves forward for a post. It is not a nomination form from a specific community council. If there is an election for a post each Community Council has only one vote in the online ballot which should be agreed before voting.

The JF is taking part in an online workshop on Participation Requests. Discussions will focus on Eligibility and Getting Your Request accepted. The Outcome Improvement Process and How Can We Ensure the Agreed Improvements are implemented. This is an ongoing discussion that has been facilitated by the Scottish Community Development Centre in conjunction with the Scottish Government.

The Joint Forum is hoping to hold an online webinar in all Scottish Community Councils on 10th June. This will be to discuss the Scottish Government Democracy Matters Consultation and the Blueprint we produced from one of our conferences that was held before Covid

4. Newsletter

£250.00 received from Councillors Disbursement Fund. Note was taken of suggested content

5. Correspondence

From Pippa requesting reconsideration of future online meetings. After further discussion it was agreed that all meetings be in person

6. AGM

This will be held on 19th April. All necessary notifications to be sent out.