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## Lauderdale Community Council

Minute of Meeting of Lauderdale Community Council (LCC) on  
Monday 14<sup>h</sup> June 2021 by “ZOOM” at 7.30pm



### 1. Welcome and Apologies

Present: Alistair Smith, *Chairman*, Lorraine Crawford, *Treasurer*, Anne Hogarth, *Secretary*, Rachel Whellans, Jack Ponton, Ross Montague, Edward Maitland-Carew, Judi Gunn, Steve Aitchison and Councillors David Parker, Tom Miers and Jenny Linehan (SBC)

Apologies: None

1 member of the public; Ruth Reed,

### 2. Conflicts of Interest. None so far.

### 3. Police Report.

- 3.1 The Police Scotland IT system does not support ZOOM so no representative was present. A generic report for Leaderdale and Melrose had been circulated. There were no comments.

### 4. Adoption of Minutes of previous meetings.

The May Minute was approved by Edward and seconded by Ross.

### 5. Matters arising – None.

### 6. Reports

- 6.1 Planning.
  - 6.1.1 There have been 2 applications with no issues, 1 for work to a tree at 8 Market Place, and 1 for a retrospective extension at 3 Brownsmuir Park.
  - 6.1.2 There has also been an application for an industrial unit by Border Coatings at the site beyond the fire station as the company has grown out of its site in Earlston. The Community Council welcomed this application and hoped that there may be more applications for this part of the industrial estate.
  - 6.1.3 The application for glamping pads at Drummonds Hall has had to go to the Scottish Government as SEPA had commented on possible flooding risk.
- 6.2 Treasurer. Still awaiting £300 from Persimmon for the storage of rubble in the Burn Mill car park.
- 6.3 Lauder Common Good. Meeting this week.
- 6.4 LCC Outreach. Judi reported on potholes on the road between South Blainslie and the A68.
- 6.5 Paths. Steve reported that a large amount of maintenance is needed now as there has been a lot of wear including the steps up past the quarry. He and Alistair will arrange a day for all this.

- 6.6 Lauder in Bloom (LiB). The planting of bedding plants and hanging baskets is in full swing.
- 6.7 Eildon Area Partnership. Lorraine and Alistair will look into this.
- 6.8 Lauderdale Initiative. Damage has been reported to light bulbs but this is minimal.
- 6.9 Defibrillators. Kate is chasing replacement batteries and pads at the Medical Centre. Paul Robertson of TDL will contact Kate.

**7. AOB**

- 7.1 It was noted that buses from Lauder to Gala have problems over changeover in Earlston. If one is late the connection leaves without waiting. Tom will raise this. Alistair would like an open meeting with the bus companies.
- 7.2 Alistair noted that there is a very ugly sign on the lamppost at the Town Hall to do with NHS and Covid.
- 7.3 It was reported that there is still some stone and mud dumped at the Burn Mill. Tom will chase this.
- 7.4 There is a very unsightly strip of ground outside the first new house at Stonycroft. Tom asked for a photo to be sent to him.
- 7.5 Steve reported on the smell of sewage at the millstone near the Burnmill. Alistair will contact SBC to discuss.
- 7.6 Steve showed photos of the bus shelter and planter at the top of The Avenue and asked if a bike locker could be placed in that area. After discussion Steve will take this forward.
- 7.7 The disabled parking slot at The Avenue has an electric cable nearby for one or two car charging points. Tom is going to look into costs and planning.
- 7.8 A venue suitable for face to face meetings is not available in Lauder so ZOOM meetings will carry on.
- 7.9 Ross asked if SBC could arrange a meeting for all interested to discuss the 20mph consultation.
- 7.10 The Vice Chairman is Jack as previous Chairman.

Date of Next Meeting – **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 7. 30.**