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Lauderdale Community Council

Minute of Meeting of Lauderdale Community Council (LCC) on
Monday 14th March 2022 by "ZOOM" at 7.30pm



1. Welcome and Apologies

Present: Alistair Smith, *Chairman*, Lorraine Crawford, *Treasurer*, Anne Hogarth, *Secretary*, Jack Ponton, Rachel Whellans, Edward Maitland-Carew, Judi Gunn, Councillor David Parker and Councillor Jenny Linehan Scottish Borders Council (SBC)

Apologies: Councillor Tom Miers Steve Aitchison, Ross Montague,

Lorraine Moffat, Kate Jackson, Michael Middlemiss

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.

3.2 Callum Wilson is retiring as Community Office and a replacement is being recruited.

4. Adoption of Minutes of previous meetings.

The February Minute was approved by Jack and seconded by Judi.

5. Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2-5-June 2022

5.1 The Public Hall has been booked from Friday to Sunday and will be paid for by LCC.

5.2 Support from the Platinum Jubilee Fund can be applied for.

5.3 Thirlestane Castle is keen to get involved in any plans.

5.4 So far there is nothing planned for the Thursday

5.5 A further meeting of the Jubilee Committee will be held shortly.

6. Reports

6.1 Planning. –

6.1.1 No new applications.

6.1.2 Preliminary announcement about extension to Fallago Rig wind farm on the other side of the hill. This will affect Lauderdale as the plan is for the turbines to be much higher and therefore will be in full view. The company is promising Community Benefit if permission is granted. LCC would expect to be consulted.

6.1.3 There has been no more comment from the Ditcher Law application.

6.2 Treasurer.

6.2.1 The cheque from SBC for Paths is being transferred to the Paths Group.

6.2.2 The Cornets Pin will be ordered. They cost £150 each and payment was approved.

6.3 Lauder Common Good. Storm damage and the replanting of new trees on the agenda.

6.4 LCC Outreach.

- 6.4.1 Potholes are becoming worse and David noted that the Jetpatchers will be out soon.
 - 6.4.2 Blainslie is running a programme for the Queens Platinum Jubilee.
 - 6.5 Paths. The Criminal Justice team has been held up due to covid but will start soon on the Burnmill Path.
 - 6.6 Lauder in Bloom (LiB). Sunday 20th March – litter picking day, Sat 26th March and the willow hedge will be trimmed if anyone wishes some willow.
 - 6.7 Eildon Area Partnership. Nothing to report.
 - 6.8 Lauderdale Initiative. Money needs to be raised to support the Xmas lights and a new contractor is being sought for maintenance.
 - 6.9 Defibrillators. There are new members joining the team, Jim Finlay, Charlotte Nichol and Natasha Bostock.
 - 6.10 A68. Nothing to report. The site meeting will be in May after the SBC election.
 - 6.11 Leisure Centre. A new Chairman has been appointed.
7. **AOB**
- 7.1 A representative will be present at the April meeting from the Whitlaw Farm woodland scheme
 - 7.2 Car charging points are being installed in Market Place. The lockable bike rack will wait until the A68 site visit has been arranged.
 - 7.3 The next LCC meeting will be held on 11th April in person in the Public Hall with the AGM in May and LCC election in July. It was agreed that there could be a ZOOM connection as well.
 - 7.4 There is a large pothole between Threepwood Farm and Threepwood Crossroads and David and Jenny agreed to report this.

Date of Next Meeting – **Monday 11th April 2022 at 7. 30.**