

**Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 7th April 2015 at 7.00pm in Ayton Community Hall**

<b>PRESENT</b>	John Slater	<b>JS</b>	Dick Noble	<b>DN</b>
	Norman Robertson	<b>NR</b>	Graham Dolan	<b>GD</b>
	Paul Priestman	<b>PP</b>	Rob Boyd	<b>RB</b>
	Rob Weatherston	<b>RW</b>	Paul Wilson	<b>PW</b>

1 member of the public attended for part of the meeting.  
The meeting was chaired by JS.

**ITEMS**

**Action**

- 1 Police Report**  
The new CPO Stuart Tennant attended the meeting, along with CPO Richard Toward. Current priorities in East Berwickshire continue to be: speeding, drugs use, youth and alcohol and rural thefts. The public are reminded that the number for non-emergencies is 101. Local issues in the past month included alarm activation at Ayton primary school, breach of bail conditions, damage to Ayton Primary School, report of concern for a person, report of a missing person and found dogs  
There was concern in the village that the emergency services were not aware of the village defibrillator. CPO Tennant agreed to make sure that this was included into the relevant system.
- 2 Open Forum**  
No items for discussion.
- 3 Apologies for Absence**  
Michael Cook (**MC**) {**SBC**}, Margaret Carey (**MCa**), Helen Postle (**HP**), Ian Logan (**IL**), Kenny Combe (**KC**)
- 4 Approval of Previous Minutes**  
The minutes of the previous meeting on 3rd March were approved. Proposed by RB seconded by DN.
- 5 Matters Arising from Minutes**

  - **Automatic Defibrillator** A further Heartstart training session is to be organised. GD is still negotiating with the Scottish Ambulance Service regarding dates. **GD**
  - **Resilient Communities Plan** There was no new information.
  - **Village Christmas Lights** A very successful coffee morning was held on 28th March when around £420 was raised. JS reported that the whole project had been costed at around £1600. £200 has been donated by Ayton & District Bowling Club. **JS**
  - **War Memorial** The gravel and kerb work has now been completed by SBC. A letter of thanks was sent to Lloyd Bates and Rob Blaikie who cleared the trees around the memorial.
  - **Play Park** There was no further information. RB to pursue. **RB**
  - **Commemorative Bench** No new information **RB**
  - **Clock Tower Flagpole** No new information **RB**
  - **CC Insurance** Some aspects of insurance are still being discussed with SBC. **JS**
  - **A1 Action Group** No new information
  - **Planning Application - Whitfield** RB had organised a response which had been submitted to SBC.
- 6 Area Councillor's Report**  
No councillors were present.
- 7 Treasurer's Report**  
Treasurer's Account: £1048.03, which includes £546.62 in the Christmas lights fund.

Project Account: £1000.41, which includes £383.19 in the defibrillator fund.

**8 Relevant Correspondence and Emails**

A request for a meeting with BT regarding super fast broadband in the village had been received. JS and GD agreed to attend.

**JS**  
**GD**

**9 AOCB**

**Community Council** The three year term of the current CC ends in August this year. It was agreed that July would be the last meeting and that the process of setting up a new CC would take place in August. JS agreed to liaise with SBC regarding nominations, timescale etc.

**JS**

**AGM** The 2015 AGM will be held at 6.45pm on Tuesday 5th May prior to the May monthly meeting.

**NHS Borders Out of Hours Service** JS reported from the Area Forum meeting that NHS Borders were seeking to make permanent the centralised OHS service at Melrose, notwithstanding the national review. The service improvements claimed following centralisation were questionable as the response time for Berwickshire were included with more urbanised areas nearer Melrose thus masking the real response time for the more rural Berwickshire.

**10 Next Meeting**

**Tuesday 5th May 2105** at 7.00pm in Ayton Community Hall.