

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 5th May 2015 at 7.00pm in Ayton Community Hall

PRESENT	John Slater	JS	Dick Noble	DN
	Norman Robertson	NR	Graham Dolan	GD
	Paul Priestman	PP	Rob Boyd	RB
	Helen Postle	HP	Margaret Carey	MCa
	Kenny Combe	KC	Joan Campbell (SBC)	JC
	Michael Cook (SBC)	MC		

2 members of the public attended the meeting.
The meeting was chaired by JS.

ITEMS

Action

1 Police Report

CPO Stuart Tennant attended the meeting and gave a report.
Current priorities in East Berwickshire continue to be: speeding, drugs misuse, rural thefts and antisocial behaviour.
Local issues in the past month included reported suspect persons on local land, but the police found no trace. On the A1 motorists were stopped for possessing drugs, not using seatbelts and using mobile phones whilst driving.
At present there is no mechanism in place to inform all the emergency services about the location of local defibrillators. The situation is currently under review.
A resilient communities exercise is planned in Eyemouth in the near future to which Ayton is invited.
The question of cars speeding in the High Street on both sides of the cross roads was raised. The police agreed to monitor the situation.

2 Open Forum

A loose canopy over the closed grocer's shop in the High Street was reported. MCa agreed to pursue this with the owner. **MCa**

3 Apologies for Absence

Rob Weatherston (**RW**), Paul Wilson (**PW**), Ian Logan (**IL**)

4 Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting on 3rd March were approved. Proposed by PP seconded by DN.

5 Matters Arising from Minutes

- **Automatic Defibrillator** A further Heartstart training session is to be organised by the Scottish Ambulance Service in the near future. GD will publicise this and arrange for a list in the village shop for interested people to add their names. **GD**
- **Resilient Communities Plan** There was no new information. Susan McLuckie to be asked for an update for the June meeting. **GD**
- **Village Christmas Lights** JS had identified a possible grant fund. To complete the lights on the High Street required another £800. There may be some issues regarding distribution boxes as the High Street is part of a conservation area. JS to check. Another fund raising coffee morning will be held in the autumn. **JS**
- **Play Park** There was no further information. RB to pursue. **RB**
- **Commemorative Bench** This has still not been located. RB to pursue. **RB**
- **Clock Tower Flagpole** A new flagpole has been purchased. RB to arrange for it to be erected. Neither SBC nor BHA will fund this. **RB**

- **CC Insurance** No further action required.
- **A1 Action Group** No new information following the meeting with Amey. Another issue had been raised by a resident regarding use of the old road to Eyemouth (past Hillburn House) to access the A1. This used to be fenced off at the A1 but at some stage the fence has been removed. MC has raised this with SBC and with Amey. SBC is currently investigating the matter.
- **Fibre Broadband** Superfast broadband is now available on the Ayton exchange. JS and GD had met with Digital Scotland who wished to bring their road show to the village at some point in the future, to raise awareness.
- **CC Elections** The July meeting will be the last of the current CC. JS explained the election process. Nominations for a new CC will be sought in July. A volunteer is required to act as Returning Officer, to receive and check nominations and organise an election should one be needed.

JS

6 Area Councillor's Report

Councillors Cook and Campbell attended. A public consultation: *Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance on Replacement Windows and Doors* has recently been published. A meeting with Transport Scotland regarding Reston station had been held. (see AOCB). Meeting regarding Health and Social Care Integration are being held in Eyemouth and Duns shortly. .

7 Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Account: £1067.03 (including £565.62 ring-fenced for Christmas lights) and Project Account: £1000.41 (including £383.19 ring-fenced for defibrillator maintenance).

8 Relevant Correspondence and Emails

Scotland's Floral Gateway Competition - details

9 AOCB

Reston Station Barry Forrest from RAGES reported on the current situation regarding the proposed opening of Reston station. The date for opening has now moved from 2016 to 2018 which is disappointing to all concerned with the project. Barry Forrest requested that the CC write a strongly worded letter to Transport Scotland about the delay. JS agreed to undertake this.

JS

Annual Litter Pick The village litter pick and spring clean is to be held on Sunday 24th May at 10.00am. GD to publicise.

GD

10 Next Meeting

Tuesday 2nd June 2105 at 7.00pm in Ayton Community Hall.