

Broxburn Community Council

Minutes of meeting, 19:00

- Present

Graeme Barrie (Chair)
Murray Kane (Vice Chair)
Jack McLaren (Treasurer)
Robert Morrison
Sylvia Roy
Tom Roy
Councillor Diane Calder
PC Peter Robertson 5064
PC Paul Hart 5642
Resident - Gavin Spence

- Apologies

Councillor Janet Campbell
Harry Ferguson
Ellen Glass
Russell McLean

- Welcome and Introductions

Minutes of last meeting proposed by Sylvia Roy
seconded by Murray Kane

- Police report

130 crimes reported in past two months -
Gwens Weddings broken into from old domestic repairs shop next door. Alarm sounded, nothing stolen as all recovered.
Badger estate, Audi stolen after keys were taken from bedroom of occupied house by forcing back door.
Attempted break-in to shop on West Main Street.
Suspicious fire at Thistle Industrial Estate.
Greendykes, tools stolen from shed at football club.
Pigeon loft vandalised.
6x Vandalisms to cars in Cleghorn/West Mains Street area.
Middleton Industrial Estate, windows smashed.
8 Thefts solved after a female was arrested following crimes against vulnerable males.
Male charged with intent in West Mains Street garden.
Motorbikes still being driven on public highways without registration, tax or insurance. Concerns growing.
Broxburn Academy pitch still being used out-with their planning consent with various complaints made to Police. Residents not at all happy that all of the promised measures made by WLC remain unfulfilled.

- **Treasurers report**
BCC balance remains at £1506.16
Jack standing down as Treasurer, so we are looking for a replacement. The council thanks Jack for his efforts.
- **WLC Planning report**
Gala Bingo is now the Dance School. Their original site we believe is to be used for classes too. Gala Bingo has better parking facilities.
Vion is being developed by Bellway Homes.
Thistle Industrial Estate, an application is in front of the council's planning department for a Brewer's Fayre type outlet and an Aldi.
- **Town Centre Management**
No recent meeting
The Conservation Area has been redrawn and now includes Holygait. The residents are encouraged to seek help from the council to redevelop their area.
- **Incoming communications**
Letter received from a festive lighting company. West Lothian Council take care of this for us.
Christmas tree - discussion for the September meeting for dates.
- **Gala Day**
Weather-wise, the Gala Day was a wash-out.
Remaining £240 to be split between the participating schools.
Date for 2017, 26th August. Theme still under discussion.
- **AOCB**
Winchburgh CC have had a chat from CEO at Edinburgh Airport. What have BCC not been spoken to? Messages left but no response yet. GB to pursue.
There seems to be a general apathy in the public to help their community. To help with this, we ask a suggestion be put forward to the Town Centre Management that they consider the installation of community noticeboards at school gates.
- **Date of next meeting - Monday, September 26, 2016**