

BROXBURN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 25 JUNE 2012

Present:

Community Council: T. Roy, R Morrison, D Knox, R McLean, M Kane, T Penman, S Dowd.

West Lothian Council: Cllr J Campbell, Cllr D Calder

Others PC V Manning (LBP), N Davis (WLACC) and eight members of the public

Apologies: J McLaren, L Penman (Broxburn Academy)

PC V Manning of Lothian's and Borders Police gave a report on the May/June figures for the area.

Minutes:

The minutes of the last meeting were proposed as being correct by S Dowd seconded by M Kane.

Business arising

1. The position of Secretary was still vacant.
2. Olympic Torch - the Chairman gave a report on the recent event which by all accounts was one of the best held and this was echoed by members of the public and the event organisers. The cost to the Community Council was £500.00 but part of this was offset with £200.00 from WLACC and £100.00 from BUTA. There is to be a DVD produced on the Torch Relay and it was agreed to buy some and distribute them to local care homes etc so that residents would be able to view the parade. T Penman said that he would be prepared to take copies to individual residences and he would return to pick them up after say one week and this would ensure that we were reaching out to house bound members of the community.
3. Broxburn Gala Day - We were advised that the gala day on 25 August 2012 should be one of the best in recent years and the parade would be extensive due to the anticipated numbers of floats and bands, also Vion would be providing a free barbecue in the park.
4. Regarding the SW corner of the Candleworks site Cllr J Campbell would further take this matter up and report back to us.
5. BMX track – the plans were back with West Lothian Council for some changes but the project was still going ahead.
6. Newhouses road bridge - the design for the bridge had now been agreed between the Council and residents.

7. First bus would attend our September meeting concerning ramps on buses.
8. We were still awaiting to hear from Oatridge College regarding the garden at the Old Town Centre.

Other business:

Mr Andy Hamilton from West Lothian Council was in attendance regarding the question of a lollipop person for Kirkhill School and he explained the process of how the Council decide whether one is necessary or not. However he stated that they would do a survey in September to see if Kirkhill meets the criteria or not. He also explained which of the 20mph signs were compulsory and which were advisory.

It was agreed to ask Fiona Hislop MSP to attend one of our meeting to brief us on how sentences for certain crimes such as drug abuse etc.

Mr N Davis the chairman of WLACC was in attendance and he told us that the Scottish Government was discussing a possible new format for Community Councils and we should hear about this in November.

A discussion then took place regarding donations from the Community Council to local groups for the Queens Jubilee and the following were agreed.

1. Broxburn Gala Day - £300.00. Also it was decided that we would decorate a car, which T Penman agreed to do with helium balloons and also give out tubs of bubbles to the children both in the parade and on the street. We would get a banner for the car letting the public know that it was the Community Council who were sponsoring this and we would also purchase four specially printed tee-shirts for the persons handing out the bubbles again advertising the CC.
2. Caemus Tighe in Kirkhill Road – £300.00 with the suggestion that this be put towards the cost of hiring a caravan by the sea for a week which would give some of the residents a few days holiday
3. Broxburn Primary School - It was agreed to give them £100.00 as a donation towards the costs they incurred in holding a sports/fun day, providing tea etc for former pupils and staff and giving all pupils a wrist band.

4. Friends of Chernobyl - £100.00 towards the cost of providing medicine/drugs etc to children still suffering from the disaster in Chernobyl.

5. Old Town Centre - £100.00

As that concluded the business the meeting was closed.

Next Meeting

Monday 27 August 2012 at 7pm
AGM followed by regular meeting

Old Town Centre
Broxburn