

**BROXBURN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 26 MARCH 2012**

**Present:**

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

West Lothian Council: Cllr E Glass, Cllr J Campbell, Cllr, A Davidson, G. Hedger and J Stewart;

Others PC V Manning (LBP) and seven members of the public

**Apologies:** T Penman, G Morrice L Penman and C Yarham

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

**Minutes:**

The minutes of the last meeting were proposed as being correct by seconded by S Dowd seconded by R McLean subject to two corrections. 1) Cllr Davidson stated that planning are strongly recommending approval of the Tesco application to read that planning are likely to recommend approval of the application and 2) Almond Heritage did not in fact approach us for a donation towards the "Broxburn Oil Co Ltd " sign but merely that we were told that they may be interested in it.

Graeme Hedger then spoke on the ongoing flood prevention measures which were taking place in various parts of Broxburn. In Cunningham Crescent a culvert had partially collapsed and was now repaired, Pyothall - new screening and an early warning alert web-cam to be installed, Candleworks site - this was only being used as a temporary road to gain access the canal culvert area, Burnvale - new bridge and defence wall almost completed, Burnvale Terrace (West Main Street) this area now to be included, Station Road - the existing bridge will not be demolished but the road will be resurfaced from there up to East Main Street and subsequently the road will be closed to traffic during this work which is scheduled to commence on 2 July.

Jim Stewart from planning said that he was not aware of any calming measures on Clarkson Road but will check and report back to us. The Council were happy with the additional traffic which would use Clarkson Road if and when opened to connect to Greendykes Road and this should reduce the volume of traffic at Greendykes Road. He was told that there was some concern about the height of the kerb stones at Alybn Cottages area and would pass this on. If permission was granted for a supermarket in Newliston the company would have to upgrade the road to Peniel Place and it would be sometime in the future when the road would be continued onto Greendykes Road but this would be a matter for all developers involved to agree. Access to and from the A89 would be controlled by traffic lights and the park and ride facility was still under consideration. Planning approval had been granted to Vion to build a car park with access from the A89 and there will be a hatching area for cars to turn right.

**Business arising**

1. The position of Secretary was still vacant and this to be put in the Courier in the Broxburn News section to see if anyone was interested.
2. Old Town Centre Lighting – the new light had now been fitted.
3. The Council said they will re-schedule bin collection in the area of Kirkhill School.
4. The new BMX track would be covered by Council Insurance Liability.
5. The rat infestation down by Kilpunt Roundabout had been attended to.
6. Regarding a donation to Broxburn Colts R McLean moved the sum of £100.00 seconded by S Dowds.
7. Broxburn Oil Co Ltd Sign - enquiries were still ongoing about this but the auctioneer suggested that because there were only four in existence then it could go for a lot more than the £100.00 estimate but we would contact Almond Heritage about this.
8. Broxburn Gala Day - four committee members of the gala day attended and after a discussion where there were a few volunteers prepared to help it was agreed that due to time constraints etc they would again advertise for more volunteers to attend their next meeting in Broxburn Bowling Club on 26 April and to have the Gala Day in August provided there were sufficient numbers.
9. Cllr Glass said the badger setts issue had been resolved, the fence to be re-sited and painted green and the path to be re-instated as a right of way.

**Other business:**

The donation of £100.00 to the BUSY Project was presented on 21 March 2012

The Olympic Torch will pass through Broxburn coming down Greendykes Road and along East Main Street to Edinburgh on Wednesday 13 June 2012. These roads will be closed to accommodate the many events planned but further details will be released at a later date. It is a suggestion from the Community Council that a street party be organised and other Community Councils be invited to participate.

We were advised that the Scottish Government and Transport Scotland are taking about a train station in Winchburgh.

A member of the public asked about the prospect of getting some the play park equipment upgraded as she felt it was below the standards of other play parks in West Lothian. Cllr Glass said there would be new facilities adjacent to the BMX track but other parks were looked at on a rolling time basis but she would make enquiries.

We were advised that the Credit Union were looking into the possibility of starting one here to cover all the immediate local areas and all thought that this would be a very good idea as it could stop the use of loan sharks.

As that concluded the business the meeting was closed.

**Next Meeting**

**Monday 30 April 2012 at 7pm**

**Old Town Centre**

**Broxburn**