

**Broxburn Community Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2010**

**Present:**

West Lothian Council	:	Cllr. E Glass, Cllr J Campbell
Broxburn Community Council	:	D Knox, T Roy, J McLaren, E Bradley
Broxburn Academy	:	L Harrison , C Johnson
Ecclesmachan & Three Mile Town CC	:	G Allen
Lothian & Borders PoliceCommunity Constable	:	A Kidd
Others	:	B Smerecki, M Beaton, P Hicks, V McKeon, T Angus, L L Fogwill , M Miller. S Sutherland, T Penman, K Alexander, S Dowd, E Dick, K Baker

**Minutes of previous meeting**

Minutes proposed by Jack McLaren, Seconded by Dorothy Knox

**Police Report**

- **Local crime statistics** – 55 Crimes 29 solved ( 52.7%) **YTD** 231 , 88 Solved ( 38.1%)
- **Police Surgery Vehicle** –mobile surgery vehicle will be brought ( when available) to East Main Street ( coinciding with monthly meetings).
- **Parked Cars on pavements** – creating access problems for individuals using guide dogs and pedestrians with push chairs – to be addressed directly to individual concerned but police involvement is available if required

**Waste Management Planning application East Mains Ind. Est.**

- **Mark Leatherland** – Wm Tracy Group currently operating in industrial estate and are planning a 'land swap' with Broxburn Bottlers necessitating a 'change of use' application
- **Non hazardous /inert waste-** cardboard , building waste, metal timber glass no increase in tonnage processed, Site owner duty bound to ensure that material is screened to ensure no asbestos or other hazardous materials are brought to site ( enforced by SEPA) . Material stored until full loads accumulated, Damping for external materials to prevent dust
- **Nearest housing to new site** – Hill view approximately 100m
- **Vehicle frequency** – 24 vehicles per 12 hours period non linear, peaking at 4-5 in any one hour
- **Operating hours** - 7am – 7pm Mon Fri , 7am – 1pm Sat, No activity on Sundays
- **Site visit** – Broxburn Community Council requested a site visit to view operation. **Agreed TBA**

**Tesco Planning Application**

- **Ben Train / Kirsty Leiper presentation** - covered the following topics
- **Need for store?** – addressing 'expenditure leakage' to neighboring supermarkets in Livingston – Bathgate
- **Employment opportunities** – 271 jobs , focus on employing local , and long term unemployed
- **Store size** – 30,000 ft<sup>2</sup> ( approx half size of Bathgate Tesco) – estimated spend £3-400k per week
- **Store construction** – timber construction , timber cladding, carbon neutral
- **Impact on main street** – 'retention of shoppers within Broxburn will assist main street retailers and will bring additional spend into the town
- **Delivery times** - permitted delivery times are governed by council , (6-7 deliveries per day), routes can be provided by Tesco Distribution to avoid hot spots, controlled by vehicle GPS- monitored by Tesco Logistics

**Concerns from residents -**

- Proximity of petrol station to housing – increase traffic levels created by presence of store and opening route to Greendykes Road via Clarkston Road which is route to school for local children - route to store by delivery drivers - clearing of site contamination – supermarket trolleys in canal - Winchburgh residents who currently use Broxburn main Street are likely to stop at Tesco – saturation if additional supermarkets also succeed
- **Feedback from community council 'opinion poll' on Tesco**
- **Broxburn Community Council** carried out a poll of local residents during and after the Tesco public presentation. The results were as follows

<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>222</b>
<b>In favour</b>	<b>124 ( 56%)</b>
<b>Opposed</b>	<b>98 ( 44%)</b>

## Multiple Supermarket Applications

- **Sainsbury , Tesco , ( 3<sup>rd</sup> Applicant at Thistle Industrial Estate)** – due to the multiple applications for supermarket provision in the Broxburn locality it is likely that this shall be discussed at a special Full WLC meeting ( as per Armadale )
- **Public meeting** – possibility of a local public meeting to be held to allow the wider community to express their views ie which applicant offers the best option for the town and surrounding area

## New Members

Applications to join Broxburn Community Council received from

- Robert Morrison                      Russell McLean                      Bogda Smerecki

No vote taken on R Morrison and R McLean who were not in attendance – postponed until October meeting  
B Smerecki voted onto council

## Contacts ASBO / WL association of Councils Behaviour

- Contact to be made with Debbie Halloran / John Richardson **Action DK**

## Flood Prevention

- Graham Hedger to be invited to attend future meeting ( November?) **Action BCC/EB**
- Lorraine McGrorty to be invited to attend November ( or January)meeting **Action DK**
- NETS to be invited to November meeting **Action DK**

## Questions from floor

- Old Broxburn primary school site (following its demolition) has become a dumping ground – Cllr Glass confirmed that this needs to be removed and stated that the site is a possible site of future sheltered housing
- **Kerb removal on ‘continuous drop paving’** – where the pavement crosses access to residences this has caused problems for blind residents. Guide dogs are trained to stop at the kerb, however many of these have now been removed, as part of the town regeneration project, which presents a potential hazard to the blind or partially sighted
- **Park Road Playgroup** – in need of venue to hold playgroup 8:30 – 12:30 Mon Friday

## AOCB

- **Williamson florists** - offer of free space for community groups
  
- **Broxburn War Memorial** – dedication service to take place on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 1:30pm

**Next Meeting                      Broxburn 'Old Town' Centre Hall**  
**East Main Street**  
**25th October**  
**7pm**