

**MOORFOOT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
*Representing the Midlothian Villages of Borthwick, Carrington,  
 North Middleton & Temple,  
 together with, the surrounding land ward area up to the Moorfoot Hills*

**MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> July 2011 at North Middleton Village Hall at 7.00 p.m.**

Item No	Item	Action
1.0	PRESENT: Ken Adam (Chairman), Sue Mitchell, , Doris Stanley (DMS), Ed Stanley, Margaret Munro, Ian Quinn, Michael Stanway, Shona Hamilton.	
	APOLOGIES: Richard Pentland, Derek Scott	
2.0	VISITORS: None	
3.0	MINUTES – The minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on 8th June 2011 were approved. Proposed by SH Seconded by SM	
4.0	MATTERS ARISING	
4.1	SH has written to Councillor Wilma Chalmers thanking her for her help with the provision of a warning sign on the A7.	
4.2	ES has contacted Mr. J. Kinch from Midlothian Council. A meeting to discuss cycle ramps has been arranged for 7 <sup>th</sup> July. Gillian Lithgow, representing Cleuch Avenue residents association/ youth club will attend the meeting. During telephone conversations with Mr Kinch, it has been established that the equipment must be fit for purpose if it is to be located on council property.	ES
4.3	<u>Energy Efficiency Funding</u> SCF has written to all three village halls and have arranged for surveys to be carried out by the Energy Efficiency Trust. Carrington Village Hall Committee has indicated that they want to replace the heating system and also to install a new disabled toilet. A total of £6900 is to be awarded.	
4.4	<u>Rights of Way</u> KA has e-mailed Scotways regarding broken bridge forming part of a right of way in North Middleton. <u>Post Meeting Note</u> John Pope (Local Access Forum) has checked and this path is a recognised right of way (LM52), but both it and LM 51 nearby have been omitted from the Midlothian core path plan, probably because no-one told the land services people about it when they gathering info. In 2002 the bridge was described as in “an advanced state of decay”. John Pope is planning on taking a look at it sometime next week – KA will go with him, if available.	KA
4.5	KA had asked Midlothian Council for advice in respect of wind farms. Midlothian Council will try to find out more about the Fintry scheme.	
4.6	<u>Gilston Wind Farm</u> KA attended the Fala exhibition of Gilston Wind Farm proposals. The community benefit will be different, with shares being sold. The proposal is for 16 turbines and planning application will be submitted later this year.	
4.7	<u>Carrington</u> - Speed bumps need to be painted. SM will report to Midlothian Council.	SM
5.0	POLICE REPORT	
5.1	No police report was received.	
6.0	CHAIRMAN’S REPORT	
6.1	Community Council laptop has been returned.	
6.2	<u>Spurlins Rig</u> are planning another meeting this month	
6.3	KA and Archie Pacey, on behalf of the Federation of community councils attended	

	Midlothian Council Seminar on winter weather planning. The report from corporate services was discussed. KA spoke about clearing footpaths, grit bins, etc. Lockable grit bins are to be provided by Midlothian Council and managed by the Community Council.	
6.4	<u>Moorfoot Primary School</u> KA has received a letter from Fiona Oswald (parent/teacher group) thanking Moorfoot Community Council for help with the forest school. They would like to do it again in the Autumn term and are seeking further help. Potential sources of funding were discussed. IQ to phone EON. <u>Post Meeting Note</u> IQ has spoken to Eon and they are willing to consider short term (not long term) funding of the Forest School. KA has contacted the PTG and asked them to submit a budget, fund raising plans and a benefits justification that we can use to support their case	IQ  IQ
7.0	SECRETARY'S REPORT	
7.1	<u>Correspondence</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Midlothian Council Newsletter is still being posted to Moorfoot Community Council. MM will write and ask for it to be stopped as it is already delivered to individual homes.</li> <li>• Letter regarding Spurlins Rig.</li> <li>• Health link magazine</li> <li>• Advert for play equipment.</li> </ul>	MM
8.0	TREASURER'S REPORT	
8.1	<u>Bank Balance</u> The current balance is £2160. In addition £200 has been received for the 2011 newsletter and £70 from the brass band concert.	
8.2	<u>Insurance</u> IQ has paid the Moorfoot Community Council insurance premium to SACC. DMS has received an e-mail advising that SACC was to be wound up. DMS would copy the e-mail to KA <u>Post meeting note.</u> While KA was at the meeting, he had an email from the insurance co-ordinator at ASCC trying to get back in touch with IQ about his call to them yesterday. KA has asked him to clarify the situation. In the meantime, the info from the Federation of Community Councils explains that ASCC is in two parts – the limited company/charity and the “unincorporated” part with the elected officials. The unincorporated part is wound up with immediate effect (due to concerns that the elected officials would be personally responsible for the debts). The Insurance is arranged through the limited company, which cannot (for legal reasons) be wound up until April 2012. They claim that this allows all the current policies to run their course.	DMS
9.0	COUNCILLOR'S REPORT	
9.1	No Report	
10.0	PLANNING APPLICATIONS	
10.1	KA will ask Midlothian Council about the appeal process.	KA
11.0	VILLAGE REPORTS	
11.1	<u>Borthwick</u> New road surface has been completed.	
11.2	<u>Carrington</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The road to Redside has been partially repaired.</li> <li>• SH reported fast cars around the village</li> <li>• Speed bumps still to be painted</li> </ul>	SM
11.3	<u>North Middleton</u> DMS reported that Cleuch Road has been marked to show the extent of repairs required.	

11.4	<u>Temple</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speed bumps need to be painted – SM will report</li> <li>• Archaeological dig has taken place at the site of a 15<sup>th</sup> century house.</li> <li>• Twinning – Five people visited Ivre Le Temple – They may attend our next meeting to seek links with Moorfoot</li> <li>• The recent Open Garden day in Temple was successful.</li> </ul>	SM
12.0	AOCB	
12.1	Newsletter – DMS requested articles from CCs by September for the 2011 newsletter, including an article on Temple Twinning. Outlying distribution was discussed and DMS issued lists of outlying addresses. KA will update.	All  KA
12.2	Christmas Brass Band concert – KA will make enquiries. Provisional date Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2011.	KA
13.0	NEXT MEETING	
13.1	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August 2011 at 7pm at Temple Village Hall	