

**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 ON WEDNESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2011 at Moorfoot Primary School at 7.00 p.m.**

No	Item	Action
1.0	PRESENT: Ken Adam (Chairman), Derek Scott, Doris Stanley (DMS), Ed Stanley, Ian Quinn, Michael Stanway, Richard Pentland, Shona Hamilton, Margaret Munro, Councillor Colin Beattie and Scott Meechan (Community Sergeant). APOLOGIES: Sue Mitchell	
2.0	VISITOR: Pandora Somerfield	
3.0	VISITOR MATTERS: Dealt with under Chairman's Report	
4.0	MINUTES – The minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on 5 <sup>th</sup> October 2011 were approved. Proposed by MS Seconded by IQ	
5.0	MATTERS ARISING	
5.1	<u>Arniston Estate</u> MS has studied the plan and does not recommend any further comment. From the communication with Arniston, it appears that they are confusing David Picken/Temple Village Hall with Moorfoot CC. KA will clarify	KA
5.2	HGV warning sign at Fushiebridge has been amended to include “except for access to farm”.	
5.3	<u>SH</u> has spoken to Mrs Dobie and her daughter who say that the land at the right of way bridge belongs to Midlothian Council who erected the bridge. CB will speak to Midlothian Council's estates department.	CB
5.4	<u>OFGEM</u> A written response has been received from OFGEM. Following discussion, it was agreed that no further action would be taken.	
5.5	<u>Newsletter</u> KA thanked DMS for producing the newsletter which had been a success. Spare copies of the Newsletter were issued to all. CB agreed to pass copies to other local Midlothian Councillors	All CB
5.6	KA will put details of police operation Adamant on to Moorfoot CC webpage.	KA
5.7	ES had written to Midlothian Council commenting on developer contribution as related to North Middleton. Deadline for comments on Harvieston development has been extended. Moorfoot CC has now received official information about the proposed development.	
5.8	Brass band Concert. KA has put up posters. Tickets were issued. KA will attend Temple Coffee morning to sell tickets. All Community Councillors were asked to attend and to be there by 6.30pm on 3 <sup>rd</sup> December. KA will send an article to Dalkeith Advertiser nearer to the time.	All KA
5.9	Action by CB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CB has phoned Mr. and Mrs. Morton but has not managed to contact them yet. He will try again.</li> <li>• Speed bumps have been painted in Carrington but not in Temple.</li> <li>• CB will investigate drainage at the top end of Temple.</li> <li>• Windows in Temple. CB reported that house colours were “acceptable” colours within a conservation area and that the windows were of an “acceptable” type. IQ will check if any Temple residents still have details of the planning restrictions requiring white houses and sash and case windows.</li> <li>• Redside Road will be repaired. CB will report to SH.</li> <li>• Drain covers on the Cockpen road have been stolen and the road is dangerous.</li> </ul>	CB IQ

6.0	POLICE REPORT	
6.1	Police report was received and read out by Scott Meechan. It was reported that the police have a new force web-site. MS and KA were thanked for comments on the webpage	
6.2	Scott also reported on the proposed closure of the counter service at Gorebridge Police Station.	
6.3	SH reported that youths were entering Carrington Graveyard in cars on Sundays and evenings and doing wheel spins and leaving litter. SH is locking the gates in the evenings.	CB
7.0	CHAIRMAN'S REPORT	
7.1	KA Has been appointed as the Federation of Community Councils representative on the Midlothian Community Planning Working Group. This group pulls together various departments and fire, police and ambulance services.	
7.2	<u>Winter Weather</u> KA will attend a council meeting on 4 <sup>th</sup> November.	
7.3	Pandora Somerfield reported that during last winter, snowploughs clearing public roads had blocked her road end. She had phoned the Council 3 times on this subject. KA will raise the matter at the meeting on 4 <sup>th</sup> November.	KA
7.4	KA confirmed that Moorfoot CC has Zurich insurance cover.	
7.5	<u>Small Project Regeneration Funding</u> There have been no applications	
7.6	<u>Community Resilience Planning</u> All Community Councils to create a plan and test it.	All
8.0	SECRETARY'S REPORT	
8.1	None - MM has been on holiday	
9.0	TREASURER'S REPORT	
9.1	Cheque paid to Forest School £680. Cheque paid to Dalhousie Press for Newsletter £210.	
9.2	IQ invited members to submit applications for expenses.	All
10.0	COUNCILLOR'S REPORT	
10.1	CB asked if the Temple twinning sign should be changed to Moorfoot Twinning. IQ to enquire.	IQ
10.2	CB advised that his environmental budget as a Midlothian Councillor would be shared between Gorebridge and Moorfoot Community Councils for suitable projects. Discussion followed and further discussion will take place. The funding must be allocated by March 2012.	All
11.0	PLANNING APPLICATIONS	
11.1	Proposed Gorebridge to Temple road closures.	
12.0	VILLAGE REPORTS	
12.1	<u>Borthwick</u> No Report	
12.2	<u>Carrington</u> Clay pigeon shooting seems to have stopped.	
12.3	<u>North Middleton</u> None	
12.4	<u>Temple</u> IQ suggested that a sign be erected giving directions to the historic church. CB will action	CB
13.0	AOCB	
13.1	RP met John Pope from Scotways to discuss local rights of way. KA confirmed that Moorfoot CC had joined Scotways.	
14.0	NEXT MEETING Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2011 at 7p.m. at Moorfoot Primary School.	