

MOORFOOT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

*Representing the Midlothian Villages of Borthwick, Carrington,
North Middleton & Temple,
together with, the surrounding landward area up to the Moorfoot Hills*

MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 14th JANUARY 2013 at North Middleton Village Hall

No	Item	Action
1.0	PRESENT: Ken Adam (KA), Ed Stanley (ES), Doris Stanley (DMS), Wendy Fraser (WF), Derek Scott (DS) Shona Hamilton (SH), Dave Picken (DP), Catherine Johnston (CJ) (Midlothian Councillor), Keith McQuaid (KM)(Community Police) APOLOGIES: Sue Mitchell, (SM), Kate Buxton(KB), Cllr. Bryan Pottinger (BP)	
2.0	VISITORS: None Wind Prospect had planned to make a presentation but not ready to present yet.	
3.0	MINUTES: Minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on Wednesday 5 th December 2012 were approved: Proposed by SH and seconded by DS	
4.0	MATTERS ARISING	
4.1	DP to seek one new member from Temple – Defer to AGM.	
4.2	<u>Registration</u> – KA confirmed the need to register with Information Commissioners Office.	SM
4.3	<u>Federation</u> - £30 to be paid to Federation of Community Councils	SM
4.4	<u>North Middleton Junction/A7</u> - DMS to contact Louisa Wilson and David Marr to co-ordinate a response to Midlothian Council. It was suggested that the response should be addressed to John Blair	DMS
4.5	<u>Rosebery Woodland Plan</u> – DP has received the Woodland report	
4.6	<u>Right of Way –North Middleton</u> – CJ will make enquiries	CJ
5.0	CHAIRMAN’S REPORT	
5.1	<u>New Newbattle High School</u> – Public meetings to be held this week.	
5.2	<u>New Scheme for Community Councils</u> – KA and Annette Lang hope to complete the draft document this week. They are trying to establish the true cost of running a community council but the only historical evidence is the amount of grant awarded. Discussions are continuing as to how the amount of grant should be determined.	
5.3	<u>Wind Prospect</u> – Environmental Impact Assessment has still to be published. They plan to increase the community benefit from £2000 to £4000 per megawatt.	
5.4	<u>Newsletter</u> – Midlothian Councillors had not received copies – DMS passed 10 copies to CJ for distribution. There are still duplications on the address list. Remaining copies are to be distributed to village halls and to libraries	CJ All
6.0	SECRETARY’S REPORT	
6.1	<u>Correspondence</u> ; 1. Midlothian Council Minutes. 2. Wicksteed Playscapes - advert	
7.0	POLICE REPORT – KM read out the current police report. He also described the farm watch scheme	
8.0	COUNCILLORS REPORT	
8.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council budget has been set – difficult decisions have been made on welfare reform. Midlothian Council have made a commitment to assist those in need • Robert Greens is back in prison. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historic Scotland are planning regeneration work in Gorebridge. • Midlothian Council have started an adoption and foster scheme. • Living wage to be paid by Midlothian Council. • CJ will find out when Temple road repairs are to be carried out. 	CJ
9.0	TREASURER'S REPORT - none	
10.0	PLANNING APPLICATIONS – Rosebery Woodland Plan	
11.0	VILLAGE REPORTS	
11.1	<p>Borthwick : A grit bin has been placed outside the old school at the request of one of the residents.</p> <p>The Midlothian Paths Group have been repairing and putting in new stiles to improve access along the right of way between Borthwick scout camp and Catcune.</p>	
11.2	Carrington - SH reported more shooting in Gore glen. DP suggested she phone John Goffin.	KA
11.3	<p>Fushiebridge – Tarmac work has been done.</p> <p>- Network Rail still not up to date with current land acquisition for Borders Railway.</p>	
11.4	North Middleton – Two flower tubs have been installed but the writing is not clear (black on dark brown). DMS to contact Gary Cormack (Midlothian Council)	DMS
11.5	Temple – DP asked for details of currently available community grants. KA suggested EON, Carcant and Leader	
12.0	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparations to be made for next month's AGM on 6th February at North Middleton 	All
13.0	<p>AGM and NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 6th February 2013 at 7 pm.</p> <p>North Middleton Village Hall.</p>	All