

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 WEDNESDAY 3rd April 2013 at Temple Village Hall

No	Item	Action
1.0	PRESENT: Ken Adam (KA), Ed Stanley (ES), Doris Stanley (DMS), Wendy Fraser (WF), Derek Scott (DS), Sue Mitchell, (SM), Bryan Pottinger (BP) (Midlothian Councillor), Keith McQuaid (KM), (Community Police). APOLOGIES: Kate Buxton (KB), Shona Hamilton (SH), Dave Picken (DP), Catherine Johnston (CJ) (Midlothian Councillor).	
2.0	VISITORS: None	
3.0	MINUTES: Minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on Wednesday 6 th March 2013 were approved: Proposed by WF and seconded by ES	
4.0	MATTERS ARISING	
4.1	<u>Registration</u> – KA confirmed the need to register with Information Commissioners Office. SM will make payment of £35. To be continued.	SM
4.2	<u>North Middleton Junction/A7</u> - The matter was discussed. DMS has tried to contact Christine Graham, but failed to get beyond her office manager. DMS will go to MSP surgery on Friday 5 th April at Newtongrange library. Draft second letter agreed. To be sent to Kenneth Lawrie Chief Executive, Midlothian.	DMS (2)
4.3	<u>Right of Way –North Middleton</u> – DMS has written to Mr. Murray. A reply is awaited. DMS will phone him.	DMS
4.4	<u>New Scheme for Community Councils</u> – Draft document to be delivered to Kenneth Lawrie at Midlothian Council.	
4.5	<u>Wind Prospect</u> –DP has sent letter of objection.	
5.0	CHAIRMAN’S REPORT	
5.1	<u>Small Grants</u> – KA proposed to set up a reserve fund to be used for small grants to local groups. Councillors to consider details for the next meeting. <u>New Newbattle Community High School</u> . KA attended a meeting. Consultation meeting at Moorfoot School. 17 th April at 5.30.p.m. ES, DMS, WF, DS hope to attend. DMS to reply to Lorraine Brown.	DMS
6.0	SECRETARY’S REPORT	
6.1	<u>Correspondence</u> ; 1. Visit Scotland leaflet 2. Invitation to visit new Lasswade high School 3. Email from Erica Pryde – re Middleton Quarries 4. Email on behalf of Christine Graham – re A7 5. Meeting arranged at Moorfoot Primary School Wednesday 17 th April at 5.30p.m. re Newbattle Community High School consultations. 6. Scotland offshore energy – meeting 10 April – Riddles Court, Edinburgh 7. Email from B Pottinger. Christine Graham did not contact him re A7. 8. Email from Erika Pryde to KB re walls in Borthwick. No further action.	DS DMS WF ES

	<p>9. Email from Catherine Evans re Midlothian Community Hospital. KA reported that the Federation would like to be represented at these meetings.</p> <p>10. Midlothian Public Partnership – Newsletter.</p> <p>11. Contingency planning in Midlothian. Two venues on 18th April in Penicuik Town Hall and Loanhead Leisure Centre.</p> <p>12. KA and Annette Lang thank all those who gave comments on new CC Scheme.</p>	
7.0	POLICE REPORT – KM read out the current police report, copies of which are available if required.	
8.0	COUNCILLORS REPORT –	
8.1	<p>BP report – Councillor Pottinger</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newbattle High School replacement • Welfare Reform including the “Bedroom Tax” • He reported that he suggested that the A& junction matter should be taken to the petitions committee • Moving of Construction Skills from Midlothian to North Edinburgh. • Market rate cuts to Midlothian employees 	
8.2	<p>CJ report – Councillor Johnston</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lime works • Under-occupancy charge (Bedroom Charge) • Petitions Committee • New Newbattle Community High School • Provost’s Civic reception for volunteers • Broadband the person I speak to in BT has been off work for some time, but I have emailed him on Monday chasing my enquiry. There is an officer in the Council who has been trying to progress this issue as well. • Surgeries 	
9.0	TREASURER’S REPORT – None	
10.0	PLANNING APPLICATIONS – BP will forward major Midlothian applications from out with Moorfoot which may affect the Moorfoot area.	BP
11.0	VILLAGE REPORTS	
11.1	Borthwick : Walls – see 6.1 item 8. Borthwick Castle Hotel now closed.	
11.2	Carrington – Landslip now shored up with gabions.	
11.3	Fushiebridge – Railway works beginning	
11.4	North Middleton – ES invited KM to attend, with police vehicle?, the North Middleton Fete on 24 th August 2013	KM
11.5	Temple – Work starting on landslip	
12.0	ANY OTHER BUSINESS – none.	
13.0	NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 1 st may at North Middleton Village Hall at 7.00 p.m.	