

Linlithgow Planning Forum

Minutes of the Meeting held in the Mel Gray Centre on Monday 08 December 2014

1. Present: John Kelly, Convenor (L&LBCC), Chris Long (LCT, BB), Mike Vickers (LCT, L&LBCC & LBA), David Tait (DT) of (LBA, L&LBCC, Black Bitch Mag,), Ron Smith (BB, LCT, L& LBCC), , Roger Livermore (LCAG), Apologies: John Aitken (LCT), David Timperley (DGT) (of LCT), Gill Fawcitt (LCDT), Alan Brown (TL)
2. Minutes approved
3. Matters Arising from Minutes: From weekly planning list ramp at the Peel. RS said should not be a concern; it is opposite St Peters to the loch and on right hand side so not affect flower beds.
4. Weekly Planning Lists – not been significant issues,
5. Major Applications JK updated. 5.1 Burghmuir appeal – reporter has all information but no announcement . May be a decision before Christmas to ‘clear desks’. 5.2 Springfield-Cala –Delayed till Feb 2015, work on technical details such as drainage. 5.3 Clarendon Reporter asked for more information from WLC on education etc (circulated before meeting), seemed OK and L&LBCC agree with WLC. As to Winchburgh school there is the circular argument of school funding needs developers money and sales depend on school. WLC needs to provide substantial funding for school and difficulties re cash, loan, revenue & assets. General issue of developers who are cash rich and can afford to challenge planning refusals. WLC not in position to fight successful appeals. 5.4 Kettlestoun Mains – no news..
6. Beecraigs Forest Plan ; Licence application for felling`, no action needed.
7. Vision Development –Linlithgow Strategic Plan. Headings as per MIR, allocation as follows to give view on; Policy, Main Issues (Linlithgow), Our Response, Our Strategic Plan.

7.1	Economic Development and Growth	LBA	David Tait
7.2	Community regeneration	n/a	
7.3	Housing	Community Council	John Kelly
7.4	Infrastructure Requirements & Delivery	Community Council	Mike Vickers
7.5	Town Centre and Retailing	BID	Stewart Ness
7.6	Natural & Historic Environment	Civic Trust	Chris Long
7.7	Climate Change and Renewable Energy	Transition Linlithgow	Alan Brown
7.8	Waste & Minerals (incl recycling)	Transition Linlithgow	Alan Brown

8. Meeting with Councillors Request January sub-meeting (3to3) on councillors representing the town to WLC. Sample questions in advance on - Social housing, Infrastructure, County Buildings, Victoria Hall, Linlithgow Palace
Action MV , all

Next Meeting **To Be Confirmed** January 2015

Roger Livermore 10 November 2014