

Notes of a Private meeting of Linlithgow and Linlithgow Bridge Community Council held in Burgh Halls on Tuesday 4th July 2017.

Purpose: to develop a community engagement plan and thereby facilitate a response to the West Lothian Council consultation on the redevelopment of the Vennel.

Present: Chair Martin Crook (MC), Fraser Falconer (FF), John Kelly (JK), Des Martin (DM), Scott Oliver (SO), Ron Smith (RS), Mike Vickers (MV), Cllr David Tait (DT), Marilyne MacLaren (MMac)(LCT), Chris Long (CL)(LBT), Sue Friel (SF)(TL), Lucy McGowran (LMc) (Vennel resident)

Apologies: Pamela Barnes (PB), Fiona Low (FL), Ian Kelly (IK), Máire McCormack (MM), Paula Ryans Stokes (PRS), Councillor Tom Conn (TC)

Discussion: During discussion it was agreed that:

1. Social housing has to be protected and that the residents of the Vennel flats should have an introduction to the exhibition presentation material (laminated A4 not the boards) prior to the 29th August 2017.
2. A further effort to be made to obtain permission from West Lothian Council to submit a response before 5pm on 8th September 2017. (note: this has now been received).
3. A presentation of the draft display boards was given by Chris Long. It was agreed that all actions must progress towards the exhibition being the culmination of our efforts.
4. The survey monkey survey of residents would go ahead as agreed at the Community Council meeting of 27th June. This would be supplemented by a fuller questionnaire at the exhibition.
5. The focus is on raising awareness of the Vennel consultation before the exhibition.

Programme:

6 th July	Circulate 10 survey monkey questions to be publicised through Linlithgow Facebook page, LLBCC website & Library table.	Action JK/PRS
6 th July	JK to send draft leaflets to RS.	Action JK/RS
9 th July	Last date for comments on survey monkey questions.	Action All
29 th July	Table at the Cross with information, leaflets, and paper based questionnaire. Times to be agreed but preceding event with Vennel residents	Action JK
29 th July	Tent and Burger BBQ with Vennel residents. Residents to receive invitation hand delivered by SF & LMc. Tent by Civic Trust Burgers and BBQ by MC	Action SF/LMc Action MC
8 th Aug	Deadline for article for Black Bitch - who is doing this?	
22 nd Aug	Deadline for submission to Linlithgow Gazette - who is doing this?	
22 nd Aug	West Lothian Council Local Area Committee do we want something on the agenda? Do we wish to make a presentation?	
22 nd Aug	LLBCC meeting	
29 th Aug	Exhibition	

Meeting closed at 21.00

John Kelly
Secretary