

Linlithgow Planning Forum

Minutes of Meeting held at 6 Springfield Grange 8th September 2016

1. **Present:** John Kelly, (JK) Convenor (L&LBCC), Ron Smith (RS), (BB, LCT, L&LBCC), Mike Vickers (MV), (LCT, L&LBCC & LBA), Martin Crook (LLBCC, TMG)), Councillor David Tait (DT) (LBA, WLC),
2. **Apologies:** Fraser Falconer (LCDT), Roger Livermore (LCAG), David Timperley (DGT) (of LCT),
3. **Minutes of the meeting of 18th August 2016:** All matters arising were covered by the agenda items.
4. **Letter to Ombudsman:** MC received a reply from the Scottish public services ombudsman in a letter dated 29 August 2016. The letter states that the ombudsman cannot act where the complaint is made by a local authority or other authority or body constituted for the purposes of the public service all of local government. The complaint cannot therefore come from the local authority. A discussion concluded that the Civic Trust may be able to make a complaint based upon its dealings with West Lothian Council. This will be investigated.

Action JK

5. **Weekly Planning List:** The following were discussed:
 - a. The Community Council is no longer receiving the weekly planning list. DT informed the meeting that the tabulated weekly planning list may no longer be produced.
 - b. Letters objecting to the planning application relating to the reconstruction of the Victoria Hall has been sent from the Community Council and also from the Civic Trust.
 - c. The Civic Trust has sent a letter of objection in response to the pre-application consultation notice for the development of Wilcoxholm Farm. It was decided to send an invitation to the agent Rick Finc Associates to attend the next planning forum meeting. **Action JK**
 - d. Application number 0043/FUL/16 erection of 32 houses with associated roads at land adjacent to Willodean, Bridgend was refused. The applicant Lochtay Homes Ltd has asked for the decision to be reviewed.
6. **Edinburgh airport flightpath consultation:** JK has previously circulated a list of questions to Edinburgh Airport Ltd together with their answers and JK's comments on their answers. A note of a telephone conversation with Gordon Robertson of Edinburgh Airport Ltd has been circulated. A public meeting was held in the Burgh Halls on 6th September and a draft note of the meeting has been circulated for comment. JK is

awaiting comments from Edinburgh Airport Watch who also took notes of the meeting. It was decided to submit a response to the consultation based on the above, the response to be circulated for immediate comment.

Action JK

7. **Place Standard:** JK previously circulated a place standard model based upon the work previously done by MC and DGT. It was decided to send the model to Ian Gilzean, Chief Architect, for comment.

Action JK

8. **AOB:** None.

John Kelly

Convenor

9th September 2016.