



# West Linton Community Council

**Minute of Meeting held  
on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2010  
in the Village Centre at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Margaret Harrison, Graham Tulloch, John Mackie, David Small, Eric Small, Anita Thomas, Anne McKenzie, Kenny Love & Tommy Davidson.

**In attendance:**

1. **Apologies:** Councillors Archibald, Bhatia & Calvert.
2. **Police Matters** – GT read report.
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting.** Approved with amendment to “Date of Next Meeting”.
4. **Matters Arising** (not on the agenda.). None.
5. **Open Floor Questions** None.
6. **Planning Issues (WLCC Area):**  
may be viewed online at  
[http://eplanning.scotborders.gov.uk/publicaccess/tdc/DcApplication/application\\_searchform.aspx](http://eplanning.scotborders.gov.uk/publicaccess/tdc/DcApplication/application_searchform.aspx)
  - a) **Planning Applications**
    - i. [10/01491/AMC](#) Mr D Buchanan, Land West of Scorraig, Linton Bank Drive, West Linton. Erection of dwellinghouse with attached garage. **Not Supportive:** Out of character, too large a footprint, over development & concerns with drainage.
    - ii. [10/01442/FUL](#) Mr Andrew Struthers, Land South West of Kettleshill Farmhouse, Medwyn Road, West Linton. Erection of 15 kw wind turbine. **Not Supportive.** CC took comments from resident into account and also questioned site in terms of road safety (distraction of 19m to turbine), wildlife protection and ease of access to grid for over production upload. CC request an EIS/EIA with a photo montage be produced.
    - iii. [10/01450/FUL](#) Mr Andrew Peaston, Braeside, Main Street, West Linton.  
Replacement doors. Support but question the size of the glazed unit.
  - b) **Planning Decisions - None.**
  - c) **Planning Related Issues:**
7. **Roads & Footpaths:** LocalView at <http://maps.scotborders.gov.uk/localview/>.  
There was a lengthy discussion on traffic management in and around the village, including parking and signage for this. **AT** to contact R Oakes re Right of Way along northern bank of Lyne Water. **MH** to check Upper Green access and discuss with SBC if necessary.
8. **MH** is to again request the temporary verges at the A702 end of Main Street be removed.
8. **Public Transport Issues, including school transport.** None.



**9. Environmental Issues:** Scottish Water has cleared the storm drain of tree roots which caused the sewage spill on Station Road. Although this is appreciated by the CC it is recognised that this is only a temporary solution as they will grow back. **MH** to contact Scottish Water to request that additional works are completed to ensure this problem does not happen again. An expert has suggested the drain would benefit from being lined. The Community Council note the positive alterations to the external fabric of Borthwick House and congratulate the owners for the improvement to the street as a consequence.

**10. Reports of Meetings Attended:** None.

**11. Christmas Lights** – MH contacted the village retailers and was told they did not want to take part in the switch-on, however it was agreed to continue with the event: the lights would be erected on Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Nov. Help from residents is welcome. **GT** will contact Rotary & arrange a “flash-bang” for switch on. **TD** contact Peeblesshire News, **DS** the Pipe band & **MH** Kirsty Campbell to ask if she would lead the countdown. Contact would be made with the WRI & “Santa”. An attempt to arrange a car-free Raemartin Square will be made.

**12. Miscellaneous Correspondence.** Letter from resident noted: **GT** will pass to SBC as comments contained are better directed to them.

**13. AOCB**

- i. Congratulations are extended to SocialiZe for another magnificent firework display.  
**DL** to send donation.
- ii. Letter from the Assoc. for the Protection of Rural Scotland thanking us for the donation.

**Date of next meeting:** 10th January 2010.

**The following items have been identified as requiring action: community councillors noted are requested to progress these:**

**AT** to contact R Oakes re Right of Way along northern bank of Lyne Water.

**MH** to check Upper Green access and discuss with SBC if necessary

**MH** to contact Scottish Water to request that additional works are completed on the storm drain to ensure overspill does not recur.

**Various** re Christmas lights, see item 11 above

**GT** to pass letter from resident to SBC

**DL** to send donation to SocialiZe for fireworks



## Police Report

### West Linton Community Council

Since the meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2010 the following has occurred in the West Linton area.

#### **14<sup>th</sup> September 2010**

Officers carried out a road check within West Linton between 1150 and 1230 hours – no offences were detected and two drivers were warned regarding their manner of driving.

#### **28<sup>th</sup> September 2010**

Occupier of Stoneypath Farm reporting that their mailbox had been stolen. The post had been broken and mail box taken. Mailbox is about 1 ½ from house.

#### **14<sup>th</sup> October 2010**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> the Road Policing Department carried out a multi agency road check on the A702 where a vehicle was stopped and the vehicle was seized by Customs and Excise for running on Red Diesel. A search of the occupant found him to be in possession of a quantity of drugs and cash. Male arrested and cautioned and charged.

#### **21<sup>st</sup> October 2010**

At 1245 hours a report was received regarding possible bogus callers in Ferguson View. Officers attended and found the vehicle and occupants on the A701 near Romanno Bridge. On checking it was discovered that the driver had no driving licence or insurance. The vehicle was thereafter seized and the driver cautioned and charged with various Road Traffic Offences.