

**Lammermuir Community Council**  
**Annual General Meeting**

**Wednesday 7th December 2022 at 7:30pm**  
**at Longformacus Village Hall**

**Minutes**

**Present: Councillors:** Bill Landale (BL), Tony Homer (TH), Clive Warsop (CW),  
Morag Rodger (MoR), Alastair Gordon (AG), Anna Dabrowska (AD), Adam  
Prokopowicz (AP)

**Minute Secretary:** Dianne Repsch (DR)

<b>Agenda</b>
<b>1. Welcome and apologies:</b>  Cllr Donald Moffat and Cllr Mark Rowley
<b>2. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 12th January 2020:</b>  The minutes were approved as a true record of the meeting.
<b>3. Matters Arising:</b>  No matters were raised.
<b>4. Chairman's Report 2022</b>  A Year of big issues. A big thank you to those who have led the charge on some of these. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Ellemford Estate Forestry Plantings: The application to Scottish Forestry will be ready within the next 2 weeks. There will be a summary of the issues log published. Plans will be available through the Public Register and there will be 28 days for responses by interested parties.</li><li>● Storm Arwen and through this the resilience sub group was set up.</li><li>● Windfarms - the Lees Hill development will be visible from most of Berwickshire as the wind turbines are higher than anything Fred Olsen has put in anywhere else. Paul Whitfield has raised a major objection and LCC has submitted our response, based on our meetings and discussions, to the Energy Consent Unit. LCC are not happy with the whole project. It is a huge undertaking and far too close to nearby residences and overall far too visible.</li><li>● Road conditions: responses from residents on priority road repairs have been submitted to Cllr John Greenwell.</li><li>● Connectivity - planning notifications have been received in respect of upgrades to the Bothwell Hill and Crichness masts. The upgrades will include emergency services and will also carry domestic dishes.</li></ul>

- Ellemford show - LCC have not had a presence at the annual Ellemford Show however LCC felt that it was worth attending this year so that the community councillors were more accessible to the community. A survey was handed out to gather information from local residents on the importance of roads, resilience, broadband, health and wellbeing etc. 98 points were given to connectivity, 77 points to skills development, followed by health and wellbeing and transport with 69 points.

A short discussion followed regarding the results of the survey and how to record the responses.

MoR pointed out that for the Ellemford Show in 2023 if LCC took an inside space this would limit your time in the tent as the agricultural section closes for judging and therefore the footfall would be less for the LCC table.

Bill Landale, LCC Chair

## 5. Treasurer's Report

<b>Bank Balance 31-03-2022</b>	<b>£2,577.70</b>
Payments Out (in transit)	£0.00
Payments In (in transit)	£0.00
<b>COMMUNITY COUNCIL</b>	<b>£247.67</b>
SBC COVID-19 FUNDING (ringfenced)	£330.03
WALKING FUND (ringfenced)	£2,000.00
<b><u>(LCC PROJECT FUNDING – RING FENCED AT THE LCF)</u></b>	
DEFIBRILLATOR	£884.47
COMMUNITY BROADBAND	£3,000.00
COMMUNITY WEBSITE	£714.76

AD confirmed that LCC had received the annual support grant from SBC of £540. The next steps are to have the accounts approved by BAVS and to apply for the next annual payment.

## 6. Proposals for the amendment of the Council's Constitution:

No amendments proposed

## 7. Appointment of Auditors

BAVS (Berwickshire Association of Voluntary Services) were re-appointed as auditors for the coming year.

**8. Agreement to abide by the Scottish Borders Code of Conduct for Community Councils:**

BL asked if all Community Councillors present agreed to abide by the SBC Code of Conduct for Community Councils. The agreement can be found on the LCC website.

All the Community Councillors present agreed to abide by the Code of Conduct

**Action: DR to circulate Code of Conduct to Community Councillors**

**9. Proposals for new community council members:**

BL confirmed that he knew of a potential new community councillor who lived in Ellemford and it was agreed that BL should invite this person to the next community council meeting.

A short discussion took place on how best to recruit new community councillors bearing in mind that there should be a balance of councillors between Cranshaws/Ellemford and Longformacus.

**10. Date of next AGM:**

Wednesday 6th December 2023 at 7.30p.m. in Longformacus Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 20.00