

MINUTE of MEETING of the BATHGATE LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE held within WEBEX VIRTUAL MEETING ROOM, on 8 MARCH 2021.

Present – Councillors Harry Cartmill (Chair), Willie Boyle, Charles Kennedy and John McGinty

In attendance -

Marjory Mackie, Lead Officer, West Lothian Council
Nairn Pearson, BID & Town Centre Manager, West Lothian Council
PC Francis Sinnet, Police Scotland
Stuart McNiven, Local Authority Liaison Officer, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service
Andy Johnston, Service Manager, West Lothian Council
Kate Ward, Housing Manager, West Lothian Council
Margaret Stone, Planning Officer, West Lothian Council
Ronnie McLeod, Bathgate Community Council
Donald Stavert, Bathgate Community Council

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

2. MINUTE

The Committee approved the minute of its meeting held on 9 December 2020. The minute was thereafter signed by the Chair.

3. POLICE WARD REPORT

The Committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by Police Scotland which provided an update on performance, activities and issues across the ward for the period to 31st December 2020.

The Committee was invited to note the report.

Decision

To note the terms of the report.

4. FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE WARD Q1 REPORT

The committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by Scottish Fire & Rescue Service providing an update on activity across the ward to 31st December 2020.

The committee was asked to note the content of the report.

Decision

To note the content of the report

5. WEST LOTHIAN LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN ACTION PROGRAMME - FIRST REVIEW (2020) - UPDATE FOR WARD 1: BATHGATE

The committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Head of Planning, Economic Development and Regeneration informing ward members of the Local Development Plan (LDP) Action Programme First Review - 2020 as it related to the Bathgate ward.

It was recommended that the committee notes the contents of the report.

Decision

To note the content of the report

6. HOUSING, CUSTOMER AND BUILDING SERVICES UPDATE

The Committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Head of Housing, Customer and Building Services providing an overview of the service activities within Bathgate ward for the period 1st October to 31st December 2020.

The committee was invited to note the service activity as details in the ward report for the period 1st October to 31st December 2020.

Decision

To note the terms of the report.

7. SERVICE UPDATE – NETS, LAND & COUNTRYSIDE

The Committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Head of Operational Services advising members of the recent activity of the NET's, Land and Countryside teams for the period 1 November 2020 – 31 January 2021.

It was recommended that the Committee:

1. Notes the work carried out by the service within the local area; and
2. Advise of any areas that required further information or investigation.

Decision

To note the terms of the report.

8. COMMUNITY REGENERATION UPDATE REPORT

The committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Head of Planning, Economic Development and Regeneration which provided an update on regeneration and related partners activities within the Bathgate ward.

It was recommended that committee note the content of the report.

Decision

To note the content of the report

9. WORKPLAN

A copy of the Workplan had been circulated for information.

Decision

To note the Workplan.

10. PROPOSED TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS

The committee considered a proposed timetable of meeting dates (copies of which had been circulated) for the period August 2021 to June 2022.

It was recommended that committee approve the timetable of meetings.

Decision

To approve the timetable of meetings.