

PORTOBELLO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the 182nd meeting, held on 25 September 2000
in Portobello Baptist Church Hall.

Present:

Celia Butterworth Cllr Maureen Child Dawson Currie (Secretary) Margaret Downie Kathleen Hart (Treasurer) Shand Hutchison Keith Jeffrey Linda Kelly Nora Mackenzie Cllr Lawrence Marshall George Murray Patricia Ralph Margaret Smith Tom Smith (Chair) John Stewart Nick Stroud. Also: James Campsie (PHS) Michael Cosford (PHS) Rose Dodgson Gillian Dunn (PCC).

Apologies:

Lynn Aitchison Sandy Begg Susan Deacon MSP Steve Morris Alison Robinson Sandy Smith Gavin Strang MP Martijn van Wavern (PHS) Lewis Waugh (PHS).

| <u>Item</u> | | <u>Action</u> |
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| 182.1 | <u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (28 July 2000)</u> Lewis Waugh should have been shown as present. Shand was in the Chair. Item 181.3d Musical evening should be Sat 21 Oct. Amended thus, the minutes were accepted (Proposed Patricia Seconded Keith). | |
| 182.2 | <u>MATTERS ARISING</u> | |
| 182.2a | <u>Information Plaques</u> Three meetings minutes now available. Geology board has been fitted with a metal edge. Pottery board re-instated. Horizon boards soon. (Now insitu – Sec) Seaside board due December. Natural History of Seaside will be ready next year (money from Millenium Fund). Additional funds from Community Council not now required. Sufficient funds available to perhaps replace Bird board next year. | |
| 182.2b | <u>Brunstane Road Traffic</u> Maureen has written to constituents in the area, (letter circ). Comments to Maureen, please. There seemed to be no further business under this item therefore <u>Item ends</u> . | |
| 182.2c | <u>Credit Union</u> No news. | |
| 182.2d | <u>Coat of Arms</u> . Copies now received and with framers. These will be £80 appx and be available in about a month. | <u>Shand</u> |
| 182.2e | <u>Seaside Award</u> Keep Scotland Beautiful unable to attend this month but will be invited to the next meeting. Blue Flag status might be possible for a small stretch of the beach but presently there is no funding. A group of cross hierarchy council people has been formed. A question was raised and answered about the John St paddling pool site. (John P Summers will attend next meeting – Sec) | <u>Sec</u> |
| 182.2f | <u>Library Frontage</u> . Two new benches have been installed. | |
| 182.2g | <u>Local Government Re-organization</u> Sub-group met to formulate ideas and letter sent. Maureen said that a good response had been received and progress would be outlined in a report. She also outlined her views on the points raised in our letter. | |
| 182.2h | <u>SSPCA Dog dirt discussion</u> The broadcast took place at the Baths but lasted only two mins. It seems that the conclusion was to use persuasion to keep owners in line. The chairman felt that little good came from the exercise. <u>Item ends</u> . | |
| 182.2i | <u>Holyrood : Parliament community linking (com.com)</u> Susan Deacon contacted regarding additional cost of phone etc. Paper information is held at the library but there seems little chance of a computer link. | |
| 182.2j | <u>Edinburgh Litter Forum</u> . Lynn to look into. No further news. | <u>Lynn</u> |
| 182.2k | <u>Joppa toilets : direction signs</u> Sec to pursue with Environmental and Consumer Services. | <u>Sec</u> |
| 182.2l | <u>SPOKES : map</u> suggests cycling permitted on prom. CC to write(Nick to draft) No further inf. | <u>Nick</u> |
| 182.2m | <u>Bath Street : original baths building</u> No news. | |
| 182.2n | <u>Portobello Map</u> Consultation taking place with solicitors about copyright. | <u>Nick</u> |

182.3 REPORTS

182.3a Treasurer

Treasurers account £1525.16
Joppa Tennis Courts £3188.33
Co-Warm account £6276.60 Plus interest
Sir Harry Lauder Memorial Fund £ 1685.47 (Includes Portobello Christmas Lights fund)

182.3b Police

| | March | April | May | June |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-----|------|
| House break-ins | 4 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Attempted HB | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Theft of motor vehicle | 18 | 8 | 5 | 2 |
| Attempted theft of MV | 5 | 2 | 15 | ? |
| Theft from MV | 17 | 15 | 19 | 2 |
| Vandalism | | | | 12 |
| Accidents involving Motor Vehicles | | | | |
| Damage only | 10 | 4 | 9 | 9 |
| Injury minor | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| Injury serious | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

No new information again this month

182.3c Joppa Tennis No report.

182.3d Millennium & Harry Lauder Table sale at Old Parish Church 14 Oct. Tickets available for musical evening. All
Torchlit procession flyers avail for shops/pubs. Request for PHS to supply about 12 stewards. Torch distributors, lighters and extinguishers arranged. Stewards required for Town Hall as people not to clog up steps.

182.3e Amenity Society Nothing to report.

182.3f Portobello Counts Stand on 6 October in library.

182.3g Councillors Lawrence said a budget of £65,000 was available for projects such as replacement railings at the foot of Bath St for Portobello and Leith. Maureen had sent out questionnaire on traffic and received a good response of about 10% so far. She also sent round copies of a letter from LRT in response to a constituent's question about 15 and 45 routes.

182.4 AOB

182.4a Environment Exhibition at the Community Centre and Library.

182.4b Bus Shelter A new bus shelter is to be erected on the south side pavement at Abercorn park. A success for Sandy.

182.5 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 30 October 2000 (Rest of 2000 27 Nov No meeting Dec
Early 2001 29 Jan 26 Feb)

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