**Bangour sub-committee: Un-approved Minutes of meeting on ‘Thursday 9th July 2020 at 6.00**

Present: Liz Swarbrick, Jim Watson, Ian Ferrel, Lynda Mcgivern, Sarah MacDonald

Apologies: Greg Colhoun, Diane Telfer

**Disturbances**

Jim (Chair) provided an update of disturbances at the site

* The perimeter fences are repeatedly having to be repaired
* New signs have been posted to warn about asbestos and unsafe areas
* The TTRO is still effective until the end of September 2020.
* The farmer whose farm and land is adjacent to the site reports that there are still cars and people about wandering around the area
* The security guards report that recently it has been quieter with less disturbances.

**Action**

**Jim will contact Ryan Faulds and Bob Forreester from Ambassador to make them aware that he is the Chair of the sub-group and to contact him in future.**

**Planning**

There was a discussion about the proposed plans for the site. Ian has recently put in a holding objection but received no reply from the Planning Officer this may be because the council are not fully functioning due to Covid 19 restrictions. However he has received a response from Wendy McCorriston acknowledging the objection.

Concerns were aired about the proposed plans for both schools (the old infant school located in the village and the new school on the Bangour site) and about the associated land.

Mike Harrison wants the entrance of the site to depict the history of Bangour .

**Action**

**Jim will contact Wendy McCorriston to gather more information about proposed planning etc.**

**Jim will take part I n a zoom meeting next week along with Sarah to discover the latest information about the site and to enable feedback of any concerns.**

**Community Council Membership**

Sarah pointed out that it would be beneficial for the suib-group members to join the Community Council in order to improve their status and have additional power i.e. to vote on issues.

**Action**

Organise paperwork to enable membership of the community council, once meetings resume following relaxation of lockdown regulations.

Lynda has created the new contact e mail for the sub-group and informed all relevant persons of its existence. She has also posted an update on the website. She will continue to post information as and when it is received.

**Traffic**

There was a discussion about the current and future impact of traffic passing through Dechmont and the success of traffic calming e.g. speed bumps in other areas of West Lothian. Ian suggested that similar action would mitigate the number of cars passing through the village.

**Action**

**The introduction of speed bumps will be proposed.**