## Meeting Date: 28/02/2018 Time: 7.00 pm

**Present:** Gillian Anderson, Vicky Kennedy, Sarah MacDonald, Liz Swarbrick, Ian Ferrel, Lynda McGiverrn.

Cllr Chris Horne, Cllr Diane Calder,

**Apologies:** Julia Barnes, Cllr Janet Campbell, Jean Frame, PC Robertson

Previous meeting Minutes were proposed by Liz Swarbrick and seconded by Sarah McDonald

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| **Minutes** | **Actions** | **Achieved/comments** |
| **Update on Bangour-** Sarah informed the members that the Bangour Village land had been purchased and that she had been investigating. | To invite the purchaser to the DCC April Meeting (members only) |  |
| **Village Improvement Fund-** Gillian informed the group that the application had been submitted within the deadline but she had not yet received any feedback. Diane had said that unfortunately the Council had listed Xmas lighting and hanging baskets as part of the cut backs. However if all 4 local council members agreed it could be granted either in part or full. |  |  |
| **20 mph speed limit-** There have been problems in the past with the volume of lorries passing through Dechmont Village, Ian said that there had previously been a *‘gentleman’s agreement’* that HGV testers would not go through the Village, the company involved in that instance were CTTS. It was queried who chooses the route, Examiners? DVLA?. Sarah mentioned that more learner buses pass through Dechmont village than actual buses providing a service. Diane commented that consideration is usually made of incidents or accidents which may have taken place. Ian reminded the members that the 20 mph speed limit is not a legal obligation it is voluntary- ’20 is plenty’. It was advised that Graham Malcolm be the best person to approach first and to provide him with an overview of complaints and how long the problem has existed. | Diane said she would check out the current situation.  Gillian to ask Council if Dechmont Village could be a HGV free zone and if the 20 mph speed limit could be enforced. |  |
| **DCC Youth members-** Lynda informed everyone that Broxburn Academy had found one pupil who was interested however they were struggling to enlist more. Lynda submitted a script to be added to the school newsletter to encourage participation. | Lynda to follow up on the progress of recruitment for the positions and offer to attend school assembly to inform and encourage pupils.. |  |
| **DCC website-** potential content of the website was discussed and the following headings were agreed:  Local News; Activities; Gallery; Meet the team; History; Minutes and Agendas a Search button  Website could include photographs of local area and photographs of the Team so that local people could put a face to a name. | Lynda to add the new headings. All DCC members to have their photograhs taken at the next meeting.  Updated website to be presented at next meeting |  |
| **Edinburgh Airport Noise Advisory Board-** It was pointed out that there should be a cap on night time flights and that in the past . Diane advised the members that one of us should take part in the consultation in order to keep informed and to have a voice (one person to ensure continuity). | Diane to set up a link with the consultation.  All to put out *feelers* to see if anyone in the local community would be interested in representing Dechmont.  Ian to make representation at the April meeting to take forward comments from DCC |  |
| **AOB-**  **Co-opts**  **Proposed Planning by Walker Homes at Burnhouse-** this was discussed and Gillian had reminded everyone of her communication about WL Plan which has been changed to exclude the site. Chris has said that he had he had spoken with one of the WL Planners who said that it would not go ahead. Walker Homes could still continue with their application but it was highly unlikely that they would do so.  **Dechmont Hall Committee-** it was advised that DCC should be represented on the committee and we could take turns attending the meetings.  **Bottle banks-** comments were made about the rubbish left after the bottle banks have been emptied | Lynda to contact Lorraine to clarify the position on co-opts  Sarah to devise a rota.  Chris to follow up |  |