

**Yetholm and District Community Council Meeting  
Minutes of Meeting held in Yetholm Youth Hall  
Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> September 2011 at 7.00 pm**

**Present:** David Hutchinson (Chair), David Redpath, Ron Breeze, Barbara Paul and Daniel Blackburn. David Edgar (7:30)

And seven members of the public.

**Minutes Clerk:** Daniel Blackburn

		<b>Action</b>
1	<b>Apologies for absence:</b> Susan Stewart, Alastair Turnbull, Robin McHaffie, Paul Robson and Councillor Alec Nicol	
2	<b>Minutes of the previous meeting</b>	
	Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted and signed by the chairman.	
3	<b>Presentation re opposition to proposed wind turbine/s</b>	
	Mr Edward Hurst attended the meeting to object to the proposed wind turbine/s on Yetholm Law. Mr Hurst had put together some literature on the subject for the benefit of the Community Council and members of public. Mr Hurst then spoke to the meeting covering many different reasons for opposing the turbine/s including visual impact, negative affects on wildlife, tourism and other issues. This was followed with much discussion. DH thanked Mr Hurst for giving the presentation.	
4	<b>Matters arising</b>	
4.1	With regard to Dodds'/Tait's vennel it has been confirmed by SBC that the vennel along with the road running from the post office to the village shop are adopted by the council. A meeting is to be arranged with the SBC roads department about the state of the roads.	DH
4.2	DB has emailed Ronnie Pattenden re signs for Bowmont Terrace, High Street and the Crescent, along with the state of the roof on Town Yetholm bus shelter. The bus shelter roof has been fixed but still awaiting a reply from Ronnie Pattenden.	
4.3	Funding for the new notice board on Town Yetholm bus shelter is still being worked out. The community council discussed the possibility of paying for the notice board with village funds. The matter is still ongoing.	
4.4	BP has spoken to the Border Clansmen re re-enactment of the Border Reivers. The re-enactment and some fun activities for the kids will be on Thursday October 15 <sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am on the playing field. Entry will be free and refreshments will be available. BP asked for help with setting up and running the event. BP also asked if the Community Council could make a small donation to the Border Clansmen for doing the re-enactment. BP and SS would like to have the first YCC monthly coffee morning at the end of October on a Wednesday. BP and SS are still working out the details and they will be well advertised closer to the time. BP also said that YCC was to be one of the beneficiaries of the January village lunch.	
4.5	There have been some developments re the green container out the back of Greengarth. SBC have given two months for its removal.	
5	<b>Festival Committee report and vote on the Edinburgh ride out</b>	
	The public meeting was attended by two members of the public an increase of two from last year, many aspects of the festival were discussed at the meeting, and the minutes will be available. YCC were asked by the Festival Committee to vote on a proposal about the Yetholm Principals' participation in the Edinburgh ride out. Out of six Councillors 5 members voted yes and 1 member abstained from the vote.	
6	<b>Yetholm Resilient Communities Plan – progress report</b>	
	With regards to the Resilient Communities Plan SBC have been doing great work at their end on insurance, funding and other issues. The Community Council hope to see more people from Yetholm and the surrounding area getting involved. Anyone interested should fill out a short survey about how they could help. Surveys will be available in the shop,	

	post office and the garage.	
7.1	<b>Housing and Planning – David Hutchinson</b> – The amended plans for the solar panels on Ar Taigh house. There were no objections to the plans.	
7.2	<b>Pavilion – David Edgar</b> - nothing further to add	
7.3	<b>Education, Health and Social Services – Barbara Paul</b> –. BP is to attend a seminar on dementia.	BP
7.4	<b>Grants – David Redpath</b> – Photos have been sent to SBC. PR is in contact with them and the pavilion should be emptied by November. DH has been approached about the idea of running a boxing/fitness training club in the sports pavilion.	PR
7.6	<b>Utilities and Sports Pavilion – Paul Robson</b> – Was absent.	
7.7	<b>Website liaison – Susan Stewart</b> – was absent but RB said he had a short list of people still to pay for website advertising to give to SS	SS
7.8	<b>Tourism – Alastair Turnbull</b> – Was absent.	
7.9	<b>Finance – Ron Breeze</b> – YCC accounts currently stand at £3489.71 with £1550.41 ring fenced leaving a balance of £1939.30. The subject of ring fencing money for various projects was discussed.	
8	<b>Scottish Borders Council – Councillor Nicol</b> - Was absent	
9	<b>Additional Correspondence</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The amended plans for the solar panels on Ar Taigh house were on display</li> <li>• An invitation to a Community Council networking event was received by YCC</li> </ul>	
10	<b>AOB</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DE asked that if anyone notices any malfunctioning street light could contact David Edgar so he can have them fixed by SBC.</li> <li>• DR Vodafone has fixed the long running issue with local mobile phone signals again. DR was thanked for his hard and persistent work on the issue.</li> </ul>	

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2011 at 7.00pm in the Youth Hall.