

**Blackness Area Community Council**  
**Meeting Minutes: Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2020, Via WebEx**

<b>Attendees via WebEx during Corona Virus restrictions:</b> Community Council members: Martin Watt (chair), Karen Walker (minutes), Terry Rowland, Dorothy Garrow. Flight Path Matters Sub Committee member: Merv Archibald	
<b>1. Apologies</b> - None received	
<b>2. Approval of Previous Minutes:</b>	<b>Action</b>
April meeting minutes approved and can be forwarded to FC for publication.	<b>KW</b>
<b>3. Actions and matters arising from previous minutes</b>	
**The Hall Committee have confirmed £100 donation for the defibrillator battery. Other matters addressed per section below - **please see planning	<b>THANK YOU</b>
<b>4. Coronavirus Community Help</b>	
Again, during this last month, there has little demand for help and thanks continue to go to neighbours and volunteers in the community who are helping those who require assistance. Please see the following link for advice on infection control for community groups: <a href="https://www.scdc.org.uk/supporting-communities-safely">https://www.scdc.org.uk/supporting-communities-safely</a>	<b>THANK YOU</b>
<b>5. Community Police Report</b>	
Email report - there have been 2 commercial burglaries, enquires ongoing. Drone information was also supplied and is to be passed on to the member of the public who made the query previously.	<b>KW</b>
<b>6. Councillors Update</b>	
No councillors present – now that we have established a satisfactory web based meeting amongst CC members, it was proposed that we invite our 3 local councillors to June’s meeting. If unable to attend, could they provide a written update instead?	<b>KW</b>
<b>7. Village parking</b>	
As lock down rules begin to relax, parking will again become an issue and BACC would like to ask if anyone has any ideas or contributions to alleviating the issue, to <b>please email</b> them to <a href="mailto:Blacknessc@googlemail.com">Blacknessc@googlemail.com</a>	<b>ALL</b>
<b>8. Planning</b>	
No new planning applications. Follow up letter to be sent to FC re no 18 asap.	<b>MW &amp; KW</b>
<b>9. Flight Path Matters</b>	
MA and KW attended the monthly EANAB (the Board) meeting on 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 which was held on line and at which there was an Independent Commission on Civil Aviation Noise (ICCAN) presentation (MA to share the slides with DG). ICCAN encourage all communications between EANAB and EAL. The majority of EAL staff is still on furlough. The current Air Change Programme application has been paused. EANABs Annual Review has been drafted and is in progress. As EAL are not funding the minutes secretary, EANAB have asked if all CCs involved could help to pay for this service – it was agreed by all present that BACC could contribute up to £50 in conjunction with other CCs as airport noise does affect the community as a whole. It was noted by all CC members how much more tranquil it is in the area with the lower frequency & intensity of flights though the 3am mail plane is still troublesome in Blackness and Broxburn residents are still being disturbed. MA proposed that KW formally join the FPM sub group – KW agreed & therefore there are now 4 members of this sub group (MA, HP, DG & KW).	<b>MA</b>  <b>MA to inform EANAB</b>
<b>10. Budget</b>	
**A balance of £50 required from BACC for the defibrillator battery replacement. Suggested and agreed to ask DL to provide an update on the BACC budget at June’s meeting before the summer recess.	<b>AM/KW/DL</b>  <b>DL</b>
<b>11. Community Projects</b>	
No actions.	
<b>12. AOCB</b>	
MW to place approved minutes in all notice boards.	<b>MW</b>
<i>Meeting closed at 8.05pm.</i>	
<b>Next meeting: 7pm, Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2020 via an online communication platform.</b>	

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**USEFUL INFORMATION**

**COVID-19 Community Response**

**HelpLine:**

Email: [Blacknessc@googlemail.com](mailto:Blacknessc@googlemail.com)

Phone number for those without internet access: **0754 624 1006**

Please see “**Blackness Community**” on Facebook for the latest updates.

If anyone can volunteer or a local company can offer any help, please contact a BACC member or email [blacknessc@googlemail.com](mailto:blacknessc@googlemail.com)

Please check on your neighbours, particularly if they are elderly or vulnerable but remember to maintain a 2 metre space when talking to anyone and remember to WASH YOUR HANDS. Thank you.

**Blackness Defibrillator Locations:**

24 hour access: on the external wall of the Boat Club

Castle open hours: HES shop at Blackness Castle (currently closed due to the coronavirus).

**USEFUL CONTACTS**

<b>BACC elected members</b>	Martin Watt (Convener)	blacknessc@googlemail.com
	David Lawson (Treasurer)	
	Dorothy Garrow	
<b>BACC co-opted members</b>	Karen Walker (Secretary)	
	Anne Meikle	
	Terry Rowland	
<b>Sub-committee members</b>	Merv Archibald	Flight Path Matters
	Helena Paul	Flight Path Matters
	Kath Burlinson	Parking
	Babs MacLeod	Parking
	Lorna Morrow	Covid-19
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