Mayfield and Easthouses Community Council

Minutes of Annual General Meeting (AGM)

2nd October 2024 7pm – Mayfield and Easthouses Church

Attendees: Robert Hogg (Chair), Judy Thomson (Treasurer), Theresa Morrison, Stephen Liddell, Michael Hogg, Cllr Peter Smaill, Cllr Bryan Pottinger, Sharon Hill, Michael Davidson, David Bishop, Laura Watson, Ruth McComish, Susan Ryan.

Apologies: Craig Gallier

1. Apologies and Introduction

The Chair welcomed everyone to the 2024 AGM and thanked the Councillors for their continued attendance and support. Thanks were also given to all members of the committee and officials.

2. Minutes from April 2023 AGM

Minutes from last year's AGM were read out. Minutes were then approved by Judy Thomson and seconded by Michael Hogg.

3. Chair report 2023/24

The Chair gave his report to the meeting. The report is attached (appendix i).

4. Nominations and Appointments of Officials

All current positions were voted in during the AGM in 2022 and stand for 3 years, so there was no need for any changes to be made apart from David Bishop joining part way through the year.

Confirmation of Community Council members for the minutes:

Chair: Robert Hogg Vice Chair: Michael Hogg Treasurer: Judy Thomson Minute Secretary: Theresa Morrison Planning Officer: Steven Liddell Environmental Officer: Craig Gallier

Members:

Cal Haston David Bishop

6. Treasurer's report

The accounts (appendix ii) have been independently checked by Lynne Morris, Treasurer for Moorfoot Community Council (in a reciprocal agreement). There is an end of year balance of £7307.99. There were no comments or questions regarding the accounts.

7. A.O.B

No other business, Chair closed meeting. Next AGM will take place Wednesday 4th June 2025.

MAYFIELD & EASTHOUSES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CHAIR REPORT 2023-24

Firstly, can I publicly thank the Officials of Mayfield & Easthouses Community Council and our loyal committee for their work in attending meetings and engaging in community debates and bringing along important issues that affect our community and for being a spokesperson for their community which they represent.

Our thanks to our Local Councillors who we work closely with throughout the year who attend the majority of our meetings and are always willing to help us solve Community issues where possible and also work closely with community representatives & Groups which I can personally vouch for.

A big thanks to our Local Community Police Officer Ally Livingston & his colleagues who have worked closely with our Community Council throughout the year to make our community a better & safer place to live in.

We have supported our community on some big issues over the year the biggest being the New Easthouses Campus School & the proposed new Mayfield Community Campus.

We are delighted that Easthouses campus is now open to pupils & hopefully soon the community through the excellent facilities within the school.

Regarding Mayfield campus negotiations are still going on regards new contractor as we speak so hopefully this will all be fixed by end of 2024 & the community can look forward to in early 2026 a new fantastic community school although there are major concerns surrounding the school & when it will exactly be built by the community council & parents.

Another big issue is through the IIT group where we are in talks with Midlothian council re the future of Bogwood court & surrounding area where the old leisure centre once stood.

We are committed as a Community Council representing the communities' views to keep the pressure on the council & Scottish Government to have this area rebuilt for future regenerations living in Mayfield & Easthouses.

I'm sure there will be a big debate as what is best for our community in the months & year ahead.

We live in a good community with good people yes, we have problems but what community doesn't the secret is how to make the best of what you have and in Mayfield & Easthouses we have many people who are willing to give up their own free time to help our community which is fantastic.

Such groups as MAEDT, Y2K, MCSENCE, MECA, Resident associations, Pensioners groups, Parent Councils and many more groups all helping out within our community to make it a good place to live so well done to all those people who give up their free time to help their community.

Thanks again for electing me to serve as Chair of Mayfield & Easthouses Community Council for the last few years and I hope I have served the role well and represented our community to the best of my ability in the last year.

Robert Hogg, Chair.

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Mayfield & Easthouses Community Council Income and Expenditure account for Year to 31 March 2024

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INCOME	£	
Grants and donations		
Midlothian Council (admin and venue hire)		600.00
Midlothian Council (projector)		500.00
Projects		
Christmas lights 2023		1972.00
Other		
Midlothian Council (xmas lights event 2022)		964.77
Federation cheque for Zoom licence Oct23-Oct24		287.76
Bank interest received		0.00
TOTAL Income		4324.53
EXPENDITURE		
Newbattle Parish Church (Hall rental)		300.00
Cal Haston (website hosting)		14.15
Visunext.co.uk (Projector & screen)		1159.98
Judy Thomson (2 x 9V batteries for PA System)		75.00
National World Publishing (LPP Notice in Advertiser)		77.11
Brian Martin (LPP expenses)		172.55
ZOOM.US (For Federation Zoom licence Oct23-Oct24)		287.76
Envisage Promotions Ltd (Two mascot performers)	h.	496.80
Rentamascot (2 mascot costumes)		233.97
Amazon (Santa's grotto decorations)		60.96
Little Laughs (Face painter, glitter tattoos and Elf on a Shelf)	·	450.00
Cash (Raffle prizes & David Bishop for being Santa)		300.00
Mayfield Pipe Band (performance at xmas lights)		250.00
Newbattle Parish Church (Xmas lights)		92.70
Graphic Impressions Ltd (LPP print x 2)		25.00
Mayfield and Easthouses Retired Miners, remembrance day wreath		40.00
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TOTAL Expenditure		4035.98

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SURPLUS FOR YEAR

Represented By: Opening bank balance brought fwd Surplus for Year Closing bank balance carried fwd

Approved by Community Council on

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Signed

07/08/2024.

The above accounts have been prepared based on the information supplied to me by the Treasurer Mrs Judy Thomson

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