

ELTRP UPDATE



Last year, on 17th December we have held a

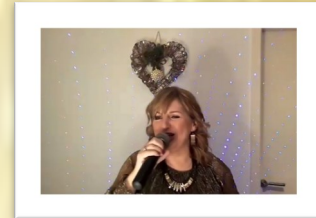
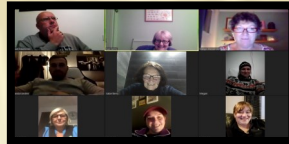
Sparkle awards

hosted by the amazing Donna Glass, to recognise

the contribution to the community by our local Tenants and Residents' Associations and individual members of the Panel.

The awarded TRAs were as follows:

- ♦ Beach Lane Tenants and Residents Association
- ♦ Elphinstone Community Association
- ♦ HETRA - Haddington Peer Support Project Group
- ♦ Ormiston West Tenants and Residents Association
- ♦ Hallhill Tenants and Residents Association
- ♦ Harkness Crescent Tenants and Residents Association
- ♦ Golf Drive Tenants and Residents Association



Donna Glass singing at the Sparkle Awards



The above groups have added an outstanding value to their local area and fortifying communication within communities.

Individual 'Spotlight Award' was presented to Deborah Piner, Service Development Officer with Community Housing for ELC for her remarkable commitment for tenant participation. ELTRP has also presented a 'Jeanette Boyd's Award'. Jeanette was a founding member of ELTRP and has done an amazing work in her community of Windsor Park, Musselburgh. This award was presented to Pat MacRae, Chair of Brunton Court Tenants Association for the amazing work she has done over the years to ensure the best service for residents of Brunton Court and other sheltered housing complexes in East Lothian.



The council's latest Tenant Participation Strategy has been officially launched during the event, which details the subjects tenants will be consulted on over the next three years. Council had retained its Scrutiny Approved Accreditation Gold standard, awarded by the Tenants Information Service in partnership with Scotland's Housing Network.

Well done to all of the winners from ELTRP!



ELTRP staff and EC members continue to work from home and meet online, if you need to speak to a member of the ELTRP team we can be contacted as follows:



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Local Group Information

Beach Lane



Tenants and Residents Association

Hi Everyone

After a prolonged absence, the above Group are hoping to restart on Thursday, 4th March 2021 at 7.00pm online (updates to follow shortly). Over the last Year (2020) we as a group have achieved many of the goals that we had planned. They are as follows:

- 1) Repairs to all the concrete balustrades
- 2) Bin cage gates (brought forward)
- 3) Bin cage cellars (cleared out and new locks administered)
- 4) Main stair cellars (cleared out) now awaiting new security locks
- 5) All rubbish and fly tipping (cleared)
- 6) Anti-social behaviour issues and complaints (diminished)
- 7) Balconies inspected and drains cleared (due to water ingress)



All of the above goals we could not have achieved without the help and support of ELC. On behalf of BLTRA I would like to say a big vote of THANKS to Paul Grant (Prop Maintenance), Joe Stockman, Scott Barclay, Alex Sutton and all other members of East Lothian Council who have supported and advised us in getting the jobs completed successfully.

A personal vote of Thanks to Councillor Andrew Forrest who has attended and supported us at all of our meetings and pointed us in the right direction.

With regard to anti-social behaviour, I would like to thank Kenny Black and the Safer Communities' Team, who are always ready and willing to answer our pleas, whether by phone or by email, and deal instantly with our issues or concerns.

Moving on to this current year and in view, of the unprecedented time we are all living in at present, the support of everyone is essential, in keeping our community safe and looking out for one another.

My hope for this year is that Beach Lane Tenants & Residents will grow as a community, and as a group that people will feel confident to voice their ideas, incentives, and support us in making this year, just as successful as the last one was.

Our AGM will take place in April 2021.

Many Thanks Again for All Your help and Support. Look Forward to seeing you all in March.



Best Regards

Linda Finlayson
(Chairperson)

Please stay safe and be assured of our very best wishes at this time from all at



east lothian tenants and residents panel