Hallhill Tenants and Residents Association

**Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday, 27th August 2019   
Hallhill Sports Centre**

**6:30pm – 8:30pm**

**Meeting Notes**

Apologies:

Sue Kempson

Alan Stubbs

Neil Gibbs

Gavin Ross

Ailsa Crawford

**Progress on Issues, (See Chairs Report)**

**Noise from A1**

* Colin Clark ELC Environmental Health - has arranged for testing at Narni way, under national test standards.

**Road Safety Issues**

* Area partnership have relocated speed aware sign on to James Kirk Way
* Some conflicting advice has been given to members; this has led to confusion as to whether police could prosecute individuals for speeding on unadopted road.
* Area partnership board has agreed to liaise with council and developers to encourage the adoption of roads, currently held up by developers.
* A discussion took place regarding Yosemite park road becoming the main spine road to serve new developments and Carla Homes development.
* A1 Junction the TRA have been informed that Transport for Scotland turned down proposal for a full junction (with slip road on to A1). Transport for Scotland want the roundabout at Spott Road to be used instead.
* A request was made to Norman Hampshire Elected Member to provide full traffic planning around development.
* Hallhill Development responsible for salting unadopted roads.
* List of remedial works has been requested from Taylor Wimpey.

**CAPP Meetings**

* Steven Tait agreed to attend to represent the TRA

**Landscaping**

* Developers to move plants that have been incorrectly planted.
* H&P to meet with landscaper re Gospatrick Extension regarding common grounds being brought up to standard before hand over from Taylor Wimpey
* Discussion around Martinez road, Land split between 4 developments and different factors. Green belt are responsible for one of the middle sections.

**Factoring Issues**

Council are intending to repay tenants factor fees, factor fees to be included in the rental.

**Persimmon Engagement**

* Persimmon engagement. TRA to work with Paul McLennan (Elected Member) re: engaging Persimmon developers. Paul McLennan to lead on individual owners issues. TRA to lead on wider issues, e.g. common grounds that are to be handed over to factors. Norman Hampshire suggested that residents submit issues to the East Lothian Courier for coverage. <https://www.eastlothiancourier.com/aboutus/>
* [Marie Sharp](https://www.eastlothiancourier.com/author/profile/75144.Marie_Sharp/) has written a number of stories about developers in East Lothian.

**ELC Housing Dept.**

* East Lothian Housing deals with Anti-social behaviours from tenants and work with police to implement warnings through to sanctions (eviction) which can take a long time. Previous reports have been resolved within a few months.

**Area Partnership Priorities**

* Reduce unadopted Roads
* Ensure Developers finish one development before starting the next
* Engage Transport for Scotland around A1

**Discussion around:**

* Pace of development faster than infrastructure development
* East Lothian planning reduced hours 9-12 Tue & Thurs.
* Consultation Hub: <https://eastlothianconsultations.co.uk/>

**Any other Issues?**

* Parking on Brodie road was raised by a number of residents.
* Pigeons nesting under solar panels on council properties.
* Trees not placed in pit with root barrier and watering system, not planted to standard.
* Taylor Wimpey construction traffic through Marquette place
* Weeds on monoblocs developers responsible for unadopted roads.
* Tory Wynd, path through woods, woodland was devastated with construction works. Dunbar community woodland group told not to take over until in better condition. Hallhill development did eventually put up some fencing.
* H&P planting plans will be emailed

Next meeting date: to be decided.