

ELTRP Position Statement

The pandemic has changed the way we live and work and whilst things are slowly returning to 'normal' the Scottish Government still advises people to be cautious in their approach.

ELTRP Executive Committee agrees with this approach and have taken the decision to continue to meet and hold events using online platforms like ZOOM and SKYPE for the foreseeable future. The office will also remain closed to the public.

Whilst this is not ideal for a lot of people, some members who engage with ELTRP are in the vulnerable category (over 65 or have a disability) and ELTRP EC will not put any of our members in a risky position. ELTRP would advise all local tenants and resident groups to do the same.

ELTRP's partner organisations TIS and ELC are taking similar approaches to ELTRP.

Scottish Government expect to retain the following baseline measures even as we move beyond Level 0. These include:

- Good hand hygiene and surface cleaning.
- Continued promotion of good ventilation.
- Requirement for face coverings in certain settings (e.g. public transport, retail).
- Continued compliance with Test and Protect, including self-isolation when necessary.
- Ongoing need for outbreak management capability, including active surveillance.
- While we will work with business to support a phased return to office working from level 0 onwards, we will continue to encourage a greater degree of working from home than pre-COVID-19. Where this is possible and appropriate, it will not only assist with controlling transmission of the virus, but also promote wellbeing more generally
- ELTRP will work with the TRA groups to facilitate them to meet online and continue to offer support with relation to group issues/concerns and any questions

**Please note Corona Virus, COVID 19 is excluded from ELTRP's insurance policy, so there can be no claim made if ELTRP or their members meet face to face, even if they have followed Scottish Government guidance.*

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

Ormiston West Tenants & Residents Association

'CLARTY LOAN'

The improvements to 'Clarty Loan' has been a joint venture with East Lothian Council, Walker Homes, and Ormiston West TRA.



First, a little background on the path known locally as the 'Clarty Loan':

This path has been called 'Clarty Loan' as far back as anyone can remember. My family have been in the village for over 100 years, and that has always been the name.

I remember asking my parents why was it called that, and they said 'no one knew'. It was used by coal miners on their way to and from work; four coal mines surrounded the village at that time, so that may be the link.



It is still on maps satnav as Park Rd.

With the new builds all to the north of the village, Ormiston West TRA suggested that upgrading the path would be of great benefit to the local community and the area. Ormiston West TRA approached Walker Homes for some help and they agreed to fund the reinstatement of the path; they also agreed to pay ELC to do so. Ormiston West TRA also raised the issue of lighting along the 'Clarty Loan' with the Local Housing Partnership (ELC), and they agreed to fund the lighting needed to make a safe walkway. This would be a huge advantage to the community as it is a short cut to the local shop, parks and school with no traffic, so safe for the kids. Now all the agreed work has been done and it looks fantastic.

We can all achieve so much by working together.....

**Mark Ormiston, Chair
Ormiston West TRA**

The group approached East Lothian Council for a notice board, where they now can share information with those, who don't have a computer.

You can find it at the bottom of Park Road, right next to the shop.



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



east lothian tenants and residents panel