

Planning Report - December 2017

Disabled ramp at Linlithgow Post Office. 0007/FUL/13 - A disabled person has complained about the lack of access to the Post Office. The previous application for an external ramp was withdrawn following an objection by WLC Transportation. Discussions ongoing.

Edinburgh Airport - Edinburgh Airport has held an inaugural meeting and 3 subsequent meetings of the Edinburgh Airport Noise Management Board. JK is attending.

Local Development Plan Review - The report of the Reporter's examination can be found at the link <https://lbcc.org.uk/community-matters/west-lothian-local-development-plan/> It is proposed that we send a letter to the minister and others.

Planning Forum meeting 7th December - Decisions taken at the Planning Forum meeting were:

- Templars Court - McCarthy and Stone no longer wish to construct the High St frontage building as detailed in the planning permission but instead wish to create an "urban green square" opposite the Cross. The adjacent building, damaged during construction work, is to be repaired by utilising a steel framework against the existing gable. Do we agree that we are opposed to this change to the design that was given planning permission?
- Town Charrette: We were unsuccessful in our application to the Scottish Government for a grant of £2500 to support a town charrette. It was agreed that feedback should be sought from Ian Gilzean. MC reported a conversation with Ian Gilzean at which he recommended getting the community together and doing it anyway.
- Lamp posts at County Buildings: A letter of objection to the planning application for the replacement of the lamp posts at Court Square has been sent in which we require that the existing lampposts be refurbished and put back.
- Update of Linlithgow: A Plan for the Future: members of the Planning Forum are working on an update to be completed February 2018.
- Assets in the common good: The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 places new duties on local authorities in relation to common good property. The act states that assets held for the common good are owned by local authorities, having been passed down from former Burghs following local government reorganisation. Duties include establishing and maintaining a register of property which is held by the local authority as part of the common good. Local authorities must engage and consult with their local communities in setting up registers.
- Planning list items:
 - 0981/FUL/17 Queen's view, boundary walls, gates, car park and shed in retrospect.
 - 0984/LBC/17 and 0985/FUL/17 repainting of shop in conservation area in retrospect. It is recommended that we object to this application and refer to the approved list of colours.

Vennel Redevelopment - update sought from Craig McCorrison

Winchburgh Academy - update sought from Craig McCorrison

John Kelly

18th December 2017.