

## Planning Report – September 2018

1. 0746/PAC/18 Boghall East – Cala Homes proposal. A Public exhibition was held at Low Port Centre on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Information can be obtained at <https://www.cala.co.uk/land-and-planning/planning-applications/springfield-linlithgow> It would be useful to collate comments for Cala. We can make no representation to WLC Planning at this stage since no application has yet been made.
2. West Lothian Council Local Development Plan was formally adopted on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018.
3. Winchburgh schools. As previously reported No more than 550 houses can be occupied at Winchburgh before the first phases of the new non-denominational school is funded. In practice this became a significant constraint on development as there will be insufficient developer contributions gathered by the 550<sup>th</sup> house occupation to fund the school. To build future phases, developers previously needed to put in place education facilities as well as build or contribute funding towards a new school to accommodate anymore homes. Last October, the WLC agreed, in principle, to forward fund the delivery of the new schools via the City Region Deal's £150million of funding guarantees, which could be put in place to unlock the development at Winchburgh. The commencement of the Winchburgh secondary schools will release the brakes on housing development in Linlithgow which has serious infrastructure implications.

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1. The following consultations have been received:
  - a. West Lothian Integration Joint Board survey on Adult Health and Social Care Services [www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DJ5RPQT](http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DJ5RPQT) closes 8<sup>th</sup> October.
  - b. Democracy Matters. The Democracy Matters conversation is a joint venture between the Scottish Government, COSLA and the community sector and will run until November 2018. The conversation will identify new legal rights for communities which would place them at the heart of decision-making. For more information about Democracy Matters, please visit: <https://beta.gov.scot/policies/improving-public-services/local-governance-review/> Suggest a small group meeting of those interested and discussion at October's CC meeting.
  - c. Participatory Budgeting see <https://pbscotland.scot/film> Not so much the film as the text on the page. West Lothian Council's first participatory budgeting was £10,000 for "Let's Get it Right for Autism". Six applications were successful.
2. The following matters are for information only.
  - a. TTRO Victoria Hall 30<sup>th</sup> July to 16<sup>th</sup> November.
  - b. TTRO 10k race 14.00 to 17.30 7<sup>th</sup> October
  - c. TTRO Remembrance Sunday parade 11<sup>th</sup> November

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22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018.