

## Westerwood Community Council

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### Minutes

- Present: 6 Community Councillors, Cllr Alan Masterton
- Apologies: Martin Stone, Fraser Morrison, Wullie Kenneth
- Approximately 45 residents Westerwood Community

- Welcome

Tom Law welcomed everyone to the meeting.

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Minutes from the meeting 8th February 2018 were respectively submitted by Tom Law, approved by Janice Muir and seconded by Edith Crossan.

- Cala Planning Application Update

Cala have submitted a revised Planning Application with a reduction in housing from 54 houses and 21 flats to a new sum of 43 houses and 12 flats. There have also been new footpaths proposed joining the Cala scheme with existing housing on two boundaries. An original objection by NL was the lack of any 'link' to the existing housing. At present the Community Council are entirely convinced that the land boundaries on the Cala development are privately owned and Cala would have no automatic right to create footpaths without first buying the land/access from existing owners.

Q. When will there be more details? Not known.

Q. Transport plan for construction traffic? Not known.

Q. Troon Gardens is a private road which Cala should be aware of as they were the original builder. The proposed elevation of the 'buggy road' would give public access onto a private road.

Timescale for the application was discussed.

Alan Masterton explained that the application was slated to be before the Planning Committee meeting on the 21st March. Application must be considered by the planners 1 week before the actual Planning Committee meets. The Public must also be made aware also at that time. The Planning Department makes a report to the Committee.

Q. Any idea how long? Not known.

At moment the LDP shows public/amenity land. A new LDP is supposed to be out by 2018 but now slated for 2021.

Q. What about old planning applications & objections? Alan Masterton will ask Planning for any old Planning Applications (circ. 2003)

Q. Original Title Deeds, did Morton Hotels pay for the removal of Burdens? Not known.

Q. Can council designate privately owned land as greenspace/amenity space? Not known.

Strategy moving forwards: New objections. The community Council urged everyone who has not yet objected to use NL online planning to make their views known. Also it is possible to raise an objection to the revised Cala plan.

Q. What can we do to delay and get more time to object? CC to formulate a leaflet drop advising of revised plan and request community views on revised plans.

Q. What about engaging a Planning Consultant? CC to investigate possible Consultants and costs. This would require financial contributions from the community.

Tom Law advised that he will contact the Planning Committee and request representation at the meeting in which the Cala proposal is put before the Committee. Tom will also contact Shirley Linton, Head of Planning, and Harry Curran, Planning Convenor.

The Community Council email was given out again to the meeting:  
[westerwood.c.council@gmail.com](mailto:westerwood.c.council@gmail.com)

A schedule of proposed meeting dates for the year was also given out: 3rd May, 7th June, 6th September, 4th October, 8th November, and 6th December. These may be subject to change.

Tom thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting.