

RAGES Committee Meeting  
Wednesday 29 November 2023  
Bleachingfield Centre Dunbar

**Welcome and Apologies**

Barrie welcomed those present - Tom Thorburn, Glenn Moulding and Ian Bowman. Also present was Peter Forsyth from East Lothian Council.

Apologies were tendered from Allison Cosgrove, Tom Dickson and Stewart Leslie.

Peter spoke extensively regarding the opening of East Linton station on 13 December, upcoming works at Markle level crossing and Haddington station. (To be reported separately)

**Matters Arising From Last Meeting**

It was agreed not to send Christmas cards to members this year.

The table used at the farmers market has been measured with a view to purchasing a RAGES tablecloth. (150cm long x 60cm wide x 70cm high).

The cost to buy RAGES tote bags from a local supplier at £6 per bag is considered too expensive.

**Station Reports**

Berwick - Barrie to check bus information at station.

Dunbar - Nothing to report.

East Linton - To be opened by Transport Minister Fiona Hyslop who will arrive on the first southbound train on Wednesday 13 December.

Markle level crossing works are due to commence early in 2024.

Haddington - One new member joined as a result of Haddington Farmers Market on Saturday.

Drem - No report.

North Berwick - No report.

Reston - Signage now in place, at some locations, giving directions to station.

**Membership Secretary's Report**

Tom D reported membership is now at 204.

**Treasurer's Report**

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|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Balance at last meeting on 25/10/2023 | 2054.74       |
| Income from members plus donations    | 45.00         |
| Grant from Reston & Auchencrow CC     | <u>250.00</u> |
| Total                                 | 2349.74       |
| Cook Computing (email support)        | <u>25.00</u>  |
| Balance on 29/11/2023                 | 2324.74       |

As shown above the group received a grant of £250 from Reston & Auchencrow Community Council. It was agreed to purchase approximately 500 pens with "Rail Action Group East of

Scotland” along one side and “Reston and East Linton” along the other. Total cost to be no more than £400.

**Meetings Attended**

Tom D and Barrie gave a presentation to Dunbar Rotary Club.

**A.O.B**

Dunbar Bleachingfield Centre to be venue for next year’s committee meetings. The first meeting of 2024 will be on 24 January.

Application to be made to East Lothian Council to secure pitch for continued attendance at Haddington Farmers Market next year.

There being no other business the meeting was closed.

**Next meeting** :- 24/1/2024 at 13:30 in the Bleachingfield Centre Dunbar.