

DUNEATON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES April 2018

PRESENT - John McLatchie, Robin Craig, Malcolm Muir, Andy McLarty, Anne Jefferies, Allison Mitchell

Apologies: Katie Stuart-Cox, Jo Talbot, Ryan Cox, Cllr Ian McAllan, Cllr Alex Allison, Stuart Baillie, Cllr Eric Holford

Adoption of minutes from February 2018: MM proposed, seconded by AM

1.0 Police Community Officer for Clydesdale

PC Jim Higgins introduced various initiatives being developed or that were currently in operation:

- PC JH advised of notifications utilising "twitter" and to a lesser extent "Facebook".
- Police were keen for local community groups to "spread the word" and where practical cut and paste police advice and warnings into community social media
- Identification of trends in rural areas which could be targeted
- Previous responses to community request for action
- Localised campaigning and community notifications and awareness

MM to expand communications through "Facebook" options

AJ to utilise local web pages and social networking to link Police initiatives and actions

JMcL to arrange liaison with Trading Standards to co-ordinate update on breaches by traders and identifying general issues with signage and unscrupulous trading

2.0 Notifications and General updates

JMcL advised that the condition of the A702 remained in an unacceptable condition however there was no feedback on making good various areas from Cllr Eric Holford

JMcL advised that no feedback re Lamington Business issues.

MM advised that the issue with the drain outside Anne Dobson's house was yet to be satisfactorily addressed.

RC advised that the issue with regard to Howgate Road gritting remained outstanding

KC (e-mail) notes as below:

1. Abington Old School Building

- Abington public meeting held regarding old school house 36/37 voted in favour.
- "monkey survey" so far 48 votes with 4 no's and 44 in favour.
- council are very pleased with the results and are proceeding along with how best to take things toward

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2. Traffic calming becoming major issue/constant complaints in village and now witnesses to someone who came round the corner from Crawford side and ended up on the other side of the road mounting the pavement. I witnessed 3 vehicles within half an hour all take the corner and be over the line - need to look at what can be done. Some people are talking about a petition - but I wondered if that was necessary? Or could we look at Rumble Strips or Speed cushions??

Clare Symonds (Winston resident)

CS advised of a Wiston Community initiative which is being considered - requested feedback on the option for a community purchase of a portion of land and requested guidance on a way forward – MM suggested that they approach Community Land Scotland

3.0 SSE Funding

Draft “invitation to Tender” document was issued by AmcL on the 2nd March 2018 for consideration. Discussions had in respect of content and the following revisions suggested:

- a. Under “Tender Objectives” remove reference to “three” and retain reference to shortlist to give DCC greater manoeuvrability in intermediate selection of contractors.
- b. Under “Timescales” the suggested program is Council members to respond to Draft letter for the May 1st meeting – Final document format to be agreed during that meeting for issue during that week – Tender response date 1st June 12.00noon – Short list to be considered from 1st June to 3rd July meeting – Notification of shortlist contractors to be issued during the week commencing 2nd July – with a return date of August 3rd for consideration at the meeting of 7th August with appointment to follow with completed report and documentation issued to DCC early December 2018.
- c. Under “Fees” change 4 weekly” to “fortnightly” meetings.
- d. Add reference to VAT within criteria for “fixed lump sum”.
- e. Review the later portion of that paragraph.
- f. AJ has already approached a selection of companies to assess the likelihood of their involvement in the Tender process – AJ advised that of the eight approached six gave a positive response – AJ to forward details of all companies approached and confirm the list of “positive” returns.

All members of the committee who were not in attendance are urged to prepare their feedback for the May meeting – if they are unable to attend the May meeting a written response would be appreciated.

4.0 Community Hall Bookings

JMcL advised that the hall booking had not been confirmed – JT to confirm hall bookings

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5.0 Financial update

Anne Jefferies gave financial review - sheet attached.

Micro-grant Applications

Infis Glenkerie

Biggar Tinto Scouts Explorers Japan trip - approved

Crawford John Hall pictures – approved

Roberton Gardening Club coach hire – approved

Clyde Wind Farm

Biggar Tinto Scouts Explorers Japan trip – rejected – suggested contact to be made to John Archibald

Association of Friends of Crawfordjohn Heritage Venture coach hire – approved

Crawford John Hall pictures – approved

6.0 Local News

- AMcL confirmed that Katie & Jo had a good Community turn out at the meeting to discuss the old school house
- Katie has asked Roads department on road marking for outside the new school – no progress.
- Katie also asked about replacement of cats-eyes in Abington – no progress

7.0 Next Meeting

Date of next meeting: 1st May 2018
Location: Abington Community Hall

Treasurer's Statement for DCC Meeting

3 April 2018

Balances

SLC Admin account balance: £523.39

6p interest since last meeting.

| Date | Description | Amount | Balance |
|--------|--------------------------------|--------|---------|
| 28 Mar | 14MAR GRS 00121712 Interest | £0.06 | £523.39 |
| 28 Dec | 14DEC GRS 00121712 Interest | £0.04 | £523.33 |

DCC General account balance: £3,880

GCA cheque cashed, Glenkerie grant paid in, 43p interest since last meeting. Pending Wiston Primary cheque being cashed.

| Date | Description | Amount | Balance |
|--------|--|-----------|-----------|
| 28 Mar | 14MAR GRS 00113132 Interest | £0.43 | £4,130.00 |
| 20 Mar | FOUNDATION SCOTLAN Automated Pay In | £1,000.00 | £4,129.57 |
| 27 Feb | 000188 Cheque | -£50.00 | £3,129.57 |

Activity

- Completed cheque and paperwork for Wiston Primary Parents Council micro grant
- Processed receipts for GANDL Cinema Event and Robertson Senior Citizens' Christmas Party micro grants
- Infinis Glenkerie 2017-18 paperwork completed, new 2018-19 grant paid in
- Thank you letter received from Abington Nursery

Action points

1/ Micro grant applications:

Infinis Glenkerie:

- 1st Biggar/Tinto Scouts Explorers Japan trip
- Robertson Gardening Club coach hire

Clyde Wind Farm:

- 1st Biggar/Tinto Scouts Explorers Japan trip
- Association of Friends of Crawfordjohn Heritage Venture coach hire
- Crawfordjohn Hall framed pictures

2/ Honorariums from 2017-18 and 2018-19 SLC budget

3/ Infinis Glenkerie fund change of owner and name to Ventient Energy Glenkerie

Grant Monies Remaining

- CWFF: £1706 remaining of the £5000 2017-18 grant
- Infinis Glenkerie: £109.44 remaining of the £1000 2017-18 grant