

DUNEATON COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY 6 April 2021

(Informal Zoom Meeting)

AGENDA

1 Present

- 1.1 Malcolm Muir, Irene Riddell, Alison Mitchell, Liz Steele, Cllr Erica Holford
Public attendees - Kay Booton; Glyn Booton; Virginia Bennett;

Apologies

- 1.2 Anne Jefferies, Gordon Wilson, Robin Craig, Cllr McAllan

2 Previous Minute

- 2.1 Previous minutes not adopted.

3. Treasurer's Statement

3.1

- 3.2 Available grant funding

Clyde microgrant: £5,233.65 (2020-2021)

Glenkarie microgrant: £627.26 (2020-2021)

VASLan Covid Relief Fund: £1,000.00

(£120 still to be paid out for Christmas lunches)

SLC REF Covid Relief Fund: £1,000

SLC Covid Relief Fund: £900

Glenkarie Covid Relief Fund: £1,333 (original grant £2,000)

Covid Relief Funds total: £4,113 (taking £120 VASLan spend into consideration)

4 Grant Applications

- 4.1 MM advised no grant applications had been received this month.

5 Planning Applications

- 5.1 There were no Planning applications to discuss.

6 Wind Farm Updates

Grayside

- 6.1 MM advised the next stage is to prepare for presentation of the main application. MM suggested the main areas of conflict are accumulative impact and environmental disruption.
- 6.2 AM talked of areas of consideration that should be part of DCC's response to the application.
- 6.3 KB reminded CC about a previously minuted idea to inform and gathering opinions from local communities.

- 6.4 GB advised a questionnaire should be simple;
- 6.5 AM: questionnaire needs to include information on how individuals/groups can respond to Scottish Government.
- 6.6 **ACTION:** MM suggested MM, IR and LS have a meeting to report back ideas for the next meeting

Priestgill

- 6.7 Recent notification that Priestgill has been approved by SLC
- 6.8 GB Priestgill developers gave too short notice for public meeting. Meeting was in Abington when should have been in Robertson. Developers website outdated. Discussion on how DCC could have more influence over windfarm developers.

Bodinglee

- 6.9 VB advised Banks website has been updated with new wirelines
- 7.0 Robertson windfarm group has been in touch with Nature Scot who are likely to object to the development.
- 7.1 VB noted SLC were challenged for giving planning for the Met Mast, but was given an unreasonable response for the reasons. She noted she had been denied her democratic right to object. SLC are using the pandemic to say the public can't attend their meetings. VB is having trouble reaching the right channel in SLC to voice opinions. CEH said some provision is being looked at by SLC for public consultations but nothing is live yet.
- 7.3 CEH said he had tried to object to the met mast at the decision committee meeting on behalf of the community, but was disallowed as his ward is just over the border to the proposed position of the mast. He advised permission was granted purely on the merit of the size of the 100mt pole and not related at all to the windfarm.
- 7.4 MM said it would be too costly for SLC to object to the 100mt pole. Their efforts are better spent objecting to the actual development.
- 7.5 CEH can represent the community related to Bodinglee's full application as it is in his ward.

8 BT's adoption of phone boxes

- 8.1 LS outlined a Facebook post by the Lanark Gazette stating Abington and Lamington red phone boxes are up for sale for £1
- 8.2 IR outlined the reasons why the Lamington phone box shouldn't be part of the BT scheme. Lamington as a conservation village protects the phone box. IR outlined the outcomes of recent contact with Historic Scotland and SLC on the matter.

LS said there's an individual interested in leading a project to adopt the phone box in Abington.

9 Defibrillators - (Lamington and Coulter)

9.1 Further discussion on the issues related to the project

10 Development Worker's Report

10.1 Not presented

11 Local News

11.1 Lamington: IR discussed work in progress related to new lighting poles in the village. Requested black poles and not silver

11.2 IR asked CEH if he could influence allocation of black poles.

11.3 No other local news

12 AOCB

12.1 CEH has been working with SLC roads department related to the bad condition of the roads in Lamington. SLC have done a scoring assessment with a score that doesn't deem work needs to be done. CEH has agreement with SLC they will do a new assessment.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 4th May at 7.30pm

ACTIONS

- Ideas and draft to be drawn up for wind farm questionnaire MM, LS and IR to discuss
- Spreadsheet to be draw up showing timescales for ongoing windfarm developments.