

DUNEATON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MEETING TUESDAY 2nd July 2019

ROBERTON VILLAGE HALL

Present

Malcolm Muir, Anne Jefferies, Clare Symonds, Cllr Eric Holford, Irene Riddell, Gordon Wilson, Alison Mitchell, Robin Craig.

Apologies

John McLatchie, Cllr Ian McAllan, Katie Stewart-Cox.

Adoption of previous meeting minutes

AJ proposed

CS seconded

Treasurers statement

Balances

SLC Admin account balance: £210.63, 3p interest.

Date ▼	Description	Amount	Balance
27 Jun	13JUN GRS 00121712 Interest	£0.03	£210.63
28 Mar	14MAR GRS 00121712 Interest	£0.03	£210.60

DCC General account balance: £14,974.69. Two grant cheques cashed and first payment made for our Community Development Worker (leaving £12,179.37 ringfenced).

Date ▼	Description	Amount	Balance
27 Jun	13JUN GRS 00113132 Interest	£1.17	£14,974.69
20 Jun	000218 Cheque	-£445.00	£14,973.52
19 Jun	000217 Cheque	-£6,694.69	£15,418.52
06 Jun	000213 Cheque	-£180.00	£22,113.21

Activity

- Completed paperwork and handover of Coulter Parents' Council micro grant
- Prepared end of year accounts for SLC
- Closed out 4 grants after receipts received, no repayments required
- Completed Ventient Energy Glenkerie end of year accounts and new grant application

Action points

- Chair sign off of end of year accounts for SLC
- Chasing overdue receipts for 2 grants
- Ventient Energy 2019-20 grant being paid into general account this week

Grant Monies Remaining

- CWFF: £1789.93 remaining of the £5000 2018-19 grant
- Ventient Energy Glenkerie: £1000 remaining of the £1000 2019-20 grant

End of year accounts for Duneaton Community Council and Ventient Energy Glenkerie have been submitted to South Lanarkshire Council.

SLC Disabled Parking

DCC has received an email from SLC regarding proposed disabled parking spaces being created at various locations within the SLC area. Only one area within the DCC area is being proposed and that is at Shawhill Terrace in Coulter. RC to write to SLC in support of this proposal.

Health and Social Care Partnership

The contact within Biggar Community Council for Health and Social Care Partnership is Lesley Craise.

EH reported that SLC proposal for Health and Social Care is to have a main hub in Lanark and smaller units further out in rural areas.

Community Development Worker

Liz Steele is settling into her new role and has reported that people are coming forward with some good ideas. Further ideas are welcome on how to engage more people to get involved.

Community Development Worker report received from Liz Steele

Enquiries:

To date, I've had enquiries for possible projects from 3 individuals and 3 groups, all of whom are keen to take their ideas forward.

Individuals:

1. Village signage for Crawfordjohn
2. Children's activities and re-instate the indoor bowling at Crawfordjohn
3. Community transport for Abington

Groups:

1. Wiston village Hall refurbishment/Youth worker for all the villages
2. Abington WRI
3. Abington Art Group

Networking:

I'm pleased to have been welcomed by the Rural Development Trust/Community Action Lanarkshire Team at CCI in Lanark. I've already linked in with Ewan Bachell, related to his community active travel project involving Duneaton villages. As an example, he has plans to create a cycle/walkway from Abington village to the services with bike racks at either end, which fulfils one of the outcomes of the survey.

CCI have a project called Environmental Volunteering to help communities improve their greenspace. I'm going to link in with them for any greenspace projects that come up. I have accepted an invitation from Community Action Lanarkshire to attend a meeting with a SLC Community Participation & Empowerment Officer. It may be that there are potential positive links.

Newsletter

At the last meeting we talked about publishing a newsletter with the idea of paying the Royal Mail to deliver. I made enquiries and the minimum cost is £500 for a single delivery, albeit to cover a wider area than we need. As the number of enquiries for assistance build, I feel there will also be potential to also ask individuals to volunteer for helping with door to door delivery.

Connect2 Renewables Employability Initiative:

I've a previous contact with Wilma Weir, Vocational Development Officer for Connect2 Renewables, whose remit covers most of the DCC area related to employability issues. It's a post funded by Banks Renewables - Crawfordjohn Middle Muir windfarm. She has asked to meet up to discuss how we could work together to promote the programme better within the Duneaton community.

This is a general description of Connect2 Renewables

<https://electricenergyonline.com/article/energy/category/wind/141/735915/employability-fund-to-transform-prospects-in-south-lanarkshire.html>

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to work on this project. I already have a good feeling there will be positive outcomes.

CWFF Panel meeting feedback

AJ reported that John Archibald is moving to a new job within SLC and Colin McFarlane will take over John's position.

Currently there is £3.4 million in the Clyde Wind Farm Fund.

The application process for CWFF applications is to move to the GrantVisor tool for online applications. This should streamline applications and it should be in place before the next CWFF meeting which is planned for September.

Local News

Lamington.

IR reported that the grass in the area of land opposite Brookside has been cut.

Speeding is still an issue on the A702 through Lamington.

EH to ask SLC when the road in the village will be re-surfaced

Wandel.

Road signs indicating the proximity of the Abington Service Area will be installed on the A702 this year and AJ has asked for an update when this will be but to date, no response had been received.

Abington

Work on the tennis courts is ongoing but progress is slow.

Re-development plans for the former School House are ongoing but progress is also slow.

EH to find out who the Community Development Worker within SLC is for this area.

There is a proposal within Abington to buy the caravan site as a going concern. KSC to further investigate this proposal.

Crawfordjohn

Re-surfacing work on the B7078 is now complete.

Wiston

Road gullies have now been emptied but more problems with the drainage system have discovered. Remedial work is on-going.

Roberton

Improvement work on Roberton Play Park is to commence this summer.

AOCB

CS reported that The Scottish Government has passed the Planning Bill. Local communities will be able to produce their own area place plan.

The time limit for repeat applications has been extended from two years to five years.

Date of next meeting

Tuesday 6th of August