

DUNEATON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MEETING TUESDAY 14th May 2019

ROBERTON VILLAGE HALL

Present

Malcolm Muir, Anne Jefferies, Clare Symonds, Cllr Ian McAllan, Cllr Alex Allison, Irene Riddell, Robin Craig, Gordon Muir (Rural Development Trust) Jon McCosh.

Apologies

Cllr Eric Holford, John McLatchie, Katie Stuart-Cox, Gordon Wilson.

Adoption of previous meeting minutes, adopted via email after the meeting.

AJ proposed

GW seconded

Community Worker

Interviews for the position of Community Development Worker were carried out. Two candidates were interviewed. AJ to inform the successful candidate.

Biggar Street Works

Cllr AA informed that the street works in Biggar town centre would commence on Saturday the 18th of May and are scheduled to be complete by Monday the 20th of May. The work would be carried out between the hours of 19.00 and 06.00 each night, but the works could be extended up to Wednesday night if required. AA to ask AMEY Highways why only Biggar Community Council had been informed and not the surrounding Community Councils.

Microwave Broadband

Jon McCosh outlined his company's intention to investigate the possibility of installing a Microwave Broadband system which would provide fast broadband for Coulter and the surrounding area. The existing broadband service which is currently available to residents in the area is only providing connection speeds of around 1mbps to 2mbps. The initial investment to provide a Microwave system would be in the region of £100,000 and initial uptake of customers for this service would have to be at least 500 for it to be viable.

Abington

KSC asked, via email, for the items below to be discussed:

DCC has been awarded £56k for the tennis court from Clyde Windfarm. KSC has applied for £18k from Andershaw windfarm and is waiting to hear back.

Abington Community Group – A £600k grant through SLC has been secured from the Scottish Government - another £400k will be applied for via Clyde windfarm to top up the project budget. The building will be used as a retail/office space, a community garden with poly tunnels and a community workshop space and a gym.

Abington play park - Jo Gilles now has this out for tender.

Abington muga pitch has reopened on a temp basis to the community over the holidays. It has been closed since October.

Abington Fire Station has a full time Fire Station Master.

Abington Hotel - still closed.

Speeding issues are still ongoing.

Dangerous dogs issue still ongoing – council seem uninterested, dog warden unwilling to enforce the legal process.

Micro Grant Applications

Wiston Village Hall Committee applied for £425.00 to upgrade the garden area surrounding the hall. Approved

A letter of thanks has been received from Heather Watt, thanking DCC for the grant money which had been given to Upper Clyde Parish Church Guild for their trip to St Giles Cathedral.

Date of next meeting

Tuesday 11th of June