

Sandford and Upper Avondale Community Council
Minutes of meeting 12/3/18 at Gilmourton WRI hall

1 In Attendance

C Cassels, L McKague, A Callan, J Motion, K Cain, T Dykes, P Munro

No apologies received

2 Previous Minutes from Jan 18 were agreed

3 Police were unable to attend

4 Treasurers Report

No 1 Account – Current Balance £82.07
Anticipated Expenditure – Ink and paper £42.00

No 2 Account – Current Balance £3357.71
Discussed and agreed that this sum of money should be retained as a contribution towards possible future grant applications when considering the second phase of Sandford Swing Park. PM to enquire with SLC if they are able to provide / source a bench for the park.

5 Sandford Report

Construction work on the new houses is progressing but several local people have experienced road difficulties due to lorries unloading and careless parking of the construction workers vehicles. CC will contact local planning department to express concerns and request both builders be reminded of the agreed traffic management arrangements.

JM advised she had contacted Banks concerning the increase of the amount of litter on the local roads since construction of the windfarm site has started.

SCEG's AGM will be on Thursday 19th April.

The Cinema Club is continuing to be well supported with regular showings on the first Friday of each month.

Potholes and repairs on the Sandford to Stonehouse Road and the Sandford to Strathaven Road are urgently required. PM to contact Roads Dept , SLC.

Wild about Sandford will have their last supported session on Sat 17th March.

R Goldie to provide summary of necessary cover for Lenny to check with SLC Insurance if SUACC are covered. SCEG have agreed to incorporate this group at their AGM.

Village Spring Clean 28th April – PM to liaise with SLC for litter pickers and special pick up.

6 Gilmourton Report

Agnes requested litter pickers at Spring Clean to enable Gilmourton residents to participate.

7 Windfarm Update

Chris advised that a group of residents from Boghead had recently approached Banks for a share of the KMCP Funds. They had requested a meeting with Banks, their local councillor, MSP and their MP (L Cameron) following which Banks had contacted KMCP members to advise that, as they are within the 10 km radius of the Turbine site, they would like the group to consider a solution.

A subsequent meeting of KMCP was held on 5th March for the group to discuss. Most KMCP members have been involved with this project for over 6 years and are disappointed that this situation has arisen now as the Kype Muir Windfarm is under construction and the KM extension plans are due to be approved. Consideration was given at the outset of this renewables project to the Boghead area including Kirkmuirhill/Blackwood but as they had no elected Community Council or similar statutory body to represent them they declined the offer to join the group. Banks and the members of KMCP agreed a constitution and guidelines for the operation of the partnership and its funding which is already in place. It was previously agreed that community groups from within the Kirkmuirhill/Boghead area would be able to apply for funding via Lesmahagow Community Council and this offer has been made again. Following discussions it was agreed by KMCP to invite L Cameron MP to discuss the matter with KMCP before any further discussion with Banks took place. A date for this meeting has still to be agreed.

8 Community Action Plan

Agreed to postpone until after KMCP have resolved the above and then to hold an extra meeting to discuss at length. (poss 23/4/18?)

9 AOB

Recent resurfacing road works on School Road have removed the rumble strips – CC to request they are reinstated.

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