

Lammermuir Community Council

General Meeting

Held via Zoom due to Covid-19

14th May 2020

Minutes

- **Participants:** Alistair Dawson, Corinne Mycock, David Mycock, Tony Homer, Clive Warsop, Morag Rodger, Elizabeth Willis, Cllr Mark Rowley.
- **Minute secretary:**

Agenda point	Action
<p>1. Welcome and apologies</p> <p>Apologies from Beth Landon who is unwell (Covid-19?)</p>	
<p>2. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 26th March 2020</p> <p>Nobody had any corrections and the Minutes were accepted as a true record. CM proposed EW seconded.</p>	
<p>3. Matters arising not listed for discussion below</p> <p>Elections: The CC were reminded that we need to think about potential new members in advance of elections in November, so that we can try and recruit suitable skills and expertise.</p> <p>Blackhill Windfarm Community Trust: DM will attend the next meeting later this month.</p> <p>Plastics recycling plant at Dunbar: AD joined a meeting with the developers about this. There is nothing of concern to LCC. Other CCs expressed concern about increased HGV traffic on the A1.</p>	
<p>4. Treasurer's report</p> <p>Bank Balance 14-05-2020 £3,739.26 COMMUNITY COUNCIL £913.90 SBC Covid-19 Funding (ring-fenced) £645.36 remaining from £1,000 allocated WALKING FUND £2,180.00</p>	

<p>LCC PROJECT FUNDING – RINGFENCED AT THE LCF: DEFIBRILLATOR £256.07 COMMUNITY BROADBAND £372,67 COMMUNITY WEBSITE £1,328.00</p>	
<p>5. Covid-19</p> <p>LCC’s initial response was to send a message via The Herald (CM) in early April. This was to let people know what help was available and how to access it.</p> <p>The CC received £1k from SBC to provide local help. Some of this (£246.54) was used to post a more detailed information pack to all residents. A follow-up email will be sent out shortly.</p> <p>A family in Cranshaws asked for help. DM and CM provided a food parcel from the Longformacus Hub, and Melvin Landale topped up their electricity meter and provided mince (£49.00).</p> <p>D. Murray was reimbursed (£59.10) for topping up the Longformacus Hub. £645.36 remains.</p> <p>Community Wind power said that £20k of their funding (CELCA 2) could be used for covid-19 projects, and Fallago have given money via Re-Tweed.</p> <p>The Hub at Longformacus is being regularly topped up by Fareshare and Re-tweed, and when this happens, a Herald message is sent out. The Hub is being well-used. Families on Gifford Road in Longformacus are receiving food parcels.</p> <p>Messages from SBC and Neighbourhood Watch Scotland are being relayed via The Herald.</p> <p>It was suggested that a fridge in The Hub may be useful. AD to investigate.</p> <p>It was suggested that another Hub could be put in Cranshaws Hall. However, it was felt that this would simply duplicate and be difficult to organise (who would manage it, how could the Hall be left secure).</p> <p>TH suggested that LCF pays for skips while the lockdown continues, to prevent fly-tipping. (The Re-cycling centre subsequently re-opened.)</p> <p>EW suggested we get in touch with schools to see if there are vulnerable families in the area who may benefit from financial help with school uniforms and winter coats. AD - better left until nearer the start of the autumn term, and if the crisis is still current.</p> <p>CM asked what hardship qualifies for Covid-19 funding exactly; MR replied, 'basically anything as long as it is Covid-19 related'.</p>	<p>AD</p>

<p>MR strongly encouraged us to use and apply for more SBC Covid-19 funding to alleviate Covid-19 related hardship instead of using external funding.</p>	
<p>6. Police Reports None, presumably because of Covid-19.</p>	
<p>7. Planning</p> <p>Changes to The Manse at Cranshaws. This is a major alteration: a proposed extension and alterations to the Old Manse, re-development works to the Bothy and the addition of three Shepherd Hut cabins holiday accommodation. Details had been circulated prior to the meeting. There were no objections and EW provided a positive critique. LCC comments were logged with the SBC planning portal.</p> <p>Scottish Water have asked for permission to alter the fish pass at the abstraction site on the Dye Water west of Trottingshaw Cottage. We had not been asked to comment on this. There were no objections.</p>	
<p>8. Correspondence</p> <p>All correspondence has been related to the covid-19 response (see above). MR – almost everybody in the SBC has been transferred to covid-19 duties.</p>	
<p>9. Any other business</p> <p>Scottish Power Energy Networks have started to upgrade the local distribution network. Work has started around the Witchester substation but will stop for a period while local lambing proceeds. Work should resume during June.</p>	
<p>10. Dates of next meetings</p> <p>2 July Longformacus (may still be unable to meet) 8 October Cranshaws 10 December AGM Longformacus</p>	