Eskdalemuir Community Council Meeting Thursday 16th January 2025 – 7pm, Eskdalemuir Hub

Present: Stu Green (Chair), Barry Young (Treasurer), Liz McQueen (Secretary), John Furlonger, Ian Warden, Al Green, Bernard Provost, Julie McLeod, Pat Wiles, John Wharton.

Lara Porter Operational Manager (UEDG)

Apologies: Dennis Male, PC Glendinning

Presentation to John Furlonger with grateful thanks for his 18 years service as Secretary of Eskdalemuir Community Council. Minutes of last meeting supplied by John F- approved by Barry, seconded by Liz

Black Esk Water Treatment Works – Scottish Water Presentation

- Joined by Stuart and Jane from Major Projects Team
- Planning yet to be approved, but anticipating summer 2025 project start.
- Potential traffic impacts when delivering units to site
- Presentation slides/youtube link to Peebles project can be shared
- Hub/CC telephone numbers can be added to SW whatsapp group to inform community in advance of any works updates

Matters Arising:

Bus Shelters: repairs:

- Update from John F
- Discussed making arrangements now to get repairs done in May/June/July when weather improves
- Action: John F to contact Tommy Warbeck to arrange
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- Multi-User trail: repairs:
 - Update from John W
 - Repairs needed to handrails on mini-bridges
 - Discussed options for local person(s) to 1) undertake strimming & 2) joinery repairs
 - Action: Barry/Stu to double check original maintenance agreement

Police Report:

- 2 X incidents reported:
 - police called to an address, concerns for a male threatening suicide
 - Road traffic offence careless driving on B709, single vehicle collision.
 - Nothing to feedback to the police

Resilience Planning:

- Lara P to reapply for £15,000 funding
- Action: Barry to draft support letter

Transport Scotland:

- National Speed Limit Management review – email in to CC inbox with regards to Road Safety Policy

- Cars reduce limit from 60mp >50mph
- HGV increase limit from 40mph > 50mph

Planning Notices:

- New telegraph poles for BT Open reach
- No other planning notices

Website Update:

- Al & Liz to take over website and facebook updates
- Generic inbox which receives all info in to the CC
- Action: Stuart to share email login details to all new members of CC

Crossdykes Community Benefit Company Update:

- Update from Barry, who is currently on the board for CCBC
- 1 x more representative from community council required, but could also come from UEDG, ESMP Hall committee act as Director for CCBC
- Action: contact Barry directly to express interest in volunteering for the role

Teviot Windfarm Community Benefit :

- Nick Jennings has approached Barry for Eskdalemuir CC to be included and can come in to discuss with CC, if project is approved.

AOCB:

Local Place Plan:

- Update from Barry Amy Jenkins Smith with Lara/Trudi from the Hub, with Barry and Julie from CC there will be more associated events and activities coming up leaflet drop required to update the community
- Barry suggested £500 from Minska/Crossdykes fund to pay for printing of leaflet all CC members agreed

Correspondence:

- Liz has been contacted by Jamie Dent and Andy Furlonger to arrange meeting with Eskdalemuir CC
- Action: Liz to respond and arrange meetings either on zoom or next CC meeting

ANCBC:

- Got to spend the previous £4.5k for next payment to be released
- Discussed different ideas for using funding including arranging 3 day advanced First Aid Courses to be held at the Hub
- Action: John W to research available courses and pricing

Date of next meeting: 20th March 2025 - 7pm