

MURIESTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING ON 26 MAY 2022
held online via Zoom at 7 pm
web: <http://murieston.communitycouncil.org.uk>

This meeting was held on Thursday 26 May 2022 by community councillors online using the Zoom video app.

Meetings at Williamston Primary are not taking place until further notice due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

1. Present:

Chris Dryden; Arthur Marris, Ian Brown, Nick Lansdell, Kevin Kerr, Davidson McQuarrie;

Apologies:

Carol Hallesy; Councillor Lawrence Fitzpatrick, Councillor Peter Heggie, Councillor Maria MacAulay, Councillor Moira Shemilt

Residents: Mark Robbie, John Sharp

2. Minutes of the Meeting on 10 March 2022:

Acceptance of the minutes of the previous meeting on 10 March 2022 was proposed by Kevin Kerr and seconded by Arthur Marris, subject to a minor change. Carried nem con.

3. Matters Arising:

None

4. Finances:

Arthur Marris reported.

Current bank balance is £3,210.84. This includes £650.77 balance from defibrillator and Community Garden expenditure.

5. Councillors' Reports:

Councillors have given their apologies for being unable to attend tonight.

6. Murieston Environmental Group (MEG) - <http://meg.btck.co.uk> :

Nothing to report.

7. Murieston Community Development Trust (MCDT) :

Nothing to report.

<https://murieston.communitycouncil.org.uk/news/consultation-community-action-plan-for-murieston/>

8. Town Centre Fund:

Nothing to report.

9. Communications, including website - murieston.communitycouncil.org.uk

Community advice is posted on the community website.

10. Livingston South Local Area Committee

No recent LAC meeting.

11. COVID Issues

Kevin Kerr confirmed that cases of COVID cases are reducing generally.

The epidemiological opinion is that COVID-19 will remain within the population for the foreseeable future.

12. Planning Applications:

Ian Brown reported.

Tarbert Drive

A fresh planning application has been made by a new developer for 18 houses on the site. The design and footprints of the houses have changed. 40 objections have been submitted. The application will go to the Development Committee for decision.

Wellhead Farm

Murieston Road is being resurfaced to the bend beyond Murieston Court. The pedestrian refuges should then be built. Nick Lansdell noted that a reed bed is being created in the SUDS pond. The two outflows need to be monitored in case they silt up and lead to flooding.

Longhill Burn Windfarm (ref. 0359/FUL/19)

Ian noted that there is still a stretch of 50m on Bankton Lane outside Williamston School which needs to be dug for the cabling. The cable pulling will also need to be done throughout the area.

Bankton Retail Centre

Heras temporary fencing has been erected at the side of the new convenience store, possibly for an extension, for which there is existing planning permission.

Other

The application for a temporary site access road to the development site between Balmoral Gardens and the railway line has been refused. A TTRO has been raised to provide direct access through Balmoral Gardens.

13. Correspondence:

None.

14. Any Other Business:

None.

The Meeting closed at 7.45 pm

The next meeting in June will be the Annual General Meeting which will be held online via Zoom.

Community Council meetings will be held online until we can resume public meetings at Williamston Primary.