UPLAWMOOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting Held in the Mure Hall on Monday 21 March 2016

Present: Gordon Steel (Chairman)

Joyce Miller (Secretary)

Cath Close Ross Leggat

Councillor Gilbert Councillor Green

No representative – Uplawmoor Development Trust

1 member of the public

Apologies: Charles Brindley (Treasurer)

Ivy Cowan

Councillor Buchanan Councillor O'Kane

Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on 15 February 2016

Proposed Joyce Miller Seconded Gordon Steel

Item		Action	Date
1.0	Chairman's Opening Remarks		
1.1	The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting		
2.0	Police Report		
2.1	No representative present and therefore no report		
3.0	Uplawmoor Development Trust		
3.1	No representative present - no report. (UDT AGM 22/3/16)		
4.0	Items Continued from Previous Minutes		
4.1	Liaison with UDT and Mure Hall Co. No meeting as yet.		
4.2	Boundary reviews. This now postponed until after Scottish		
	elections.		
4.3	Roads. Cat's eyes and white lining now complete at northern		
	end of village.		
4.4	Decommissioning/site re-instatement for wind turbines in East	All Councillors.	
	Renfrewshire. Financial guarantees do not appear to be in		
	place. Cllr Buchanan not present and therefore this item to be		
	brought to the next meeting. Cllr Gilbert will contact Cllr		
	Buchanan. All councillors to pursue.		
4.5	Castburn Path. Drainage apparently complete - to be confirmed.	G.Steel	
4.6	Trees in the Glen. Andrew McLoy ERC has reported more trees		
	are deemed to be dangerous and will be felled and removed.		
	They do not have a budget for replanting.		
4.7	Area Forum grant of £1500.00 awarded to UCC for		
	soundproofing skateboard ramp has now been returned to		
	general budget due to work not being carried out by the end of		

	the financial year and the abolition of this forum. There is low	
	confidence in the effectiveness of this method of sound proofing. Cllr Green has appealed the decision. When the new scheme is finalised a further application can be made and Cllr	Cllr Green
	Green will inform UCC when this scheme is established. Grants may be available in the future from Whitelee Community Benefit fund. Cllr Green will inform UCC when these grants are opened for application.	
	Dog Fouling at bridge end of Tannoch road /Spunkie. Bins are	
	no longer specific for dog waste and ordinary bins are to be	
	used. Notices to be requested for display in pertinent areas.	J.Miller
5.0	Matters Arising	
5.1	Uplawmoor resident, Mr Stephen Kane brought the issue of poor water pressure and quality to the meeting. He and G.Steel have already complained to Scottish Water. The problem is of long standing and appears to particularly affect the Northern end of the village. His points are as follows:-	
	1. Frequent loss of complete water supply to village	
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	2. Backup water tanker being used to support village water	
	supply on numerous occasions.	
	3. Delivery of bottled water on occasions as short term solution	
	to water supply problem.	
	4. Excessively poor water pressure supply to village and individual households, 1.5bar (on a good day).	
	5. Excessively poor water flow rate to village and individual households, 6 litres/min (on a good day).	
	6. Over 3 months there has been water leaking from the main at entrance to the village from Neilston 250m before old railway	
	bridge adjacent to valve marker AV2. Frost and ice form at sub	
	zero temperatures causing dangerous driving conditions. In	
	addition the valve cover has sunk and the surrounding tar	
	macadam has broken up and pot holed.	
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	7. Excessive amounts of Algae are formed at the treatment plant (black sludge) adversly affecting shower heads, water taps and washing machines.	
	8. When Scottish Water Engineers attend reported problems they call mid morning or mid afternoon when household demand is low therefore giving a false impression. The problems manifest themselves 7 to 10am and 4 to 7 pm when demand is high.	
	9. The cast iron mains supply to the village is no longer fit for purpose and is past its sell by date in my opinion.	

	10. Properties that I know to be affected in Neilston Road nos.	
	56, 57, 60, 61. 63, 69, 70 and 74.	
	A survey via Uplawmoor Info facebook page and UCC website	
	to be posted and posters to be placed in the village to	
	encourage residents to express their experiences in order to	
	present a co-ordinated approach to Scottish Water. Cllr Gilbert	Cllr Gilbert
	will obtain a contact from Scottish Water and an invitation to be	J.Miller.
	sent to that contact to attend the next meeting.	R.Leggat
5.2	Muirhead Road. Complaints received about the need for urgent	All Councillors.
	repair. Residents first complained to ERC in January 2016.	
5.3	Another accident reported at the junction of A736 and Neilston	
	Road. A van travelling north had run into the back of a	
	stationary vehicle waiting for oncoming traffic to pass in order to	
	turn right into Neilston Road. An electronic hazard warning sign	
	requested on A736 for northbound traffic to be sited before the	
	railway bridge.	All Councillors
5.4	Quiz raised approx. £700.00 - £350 each for Uplawmoor	
	playgroup and Uplawmoor Primary school. It was a very	
6.0	successful evening and positive feedback has been received.	
6.0	Correspondence	
6.1	An email was received regarding the Queens 90 th birthday	
	celebration. Communities made aware of 3 initiatives,-The	
	Patrons' Lunch, Beacons and Clean for the Queen. UCC	
6.2	organises an annual community clean- up. Guidelines for filming and recording CC meetings has been	
0.2	circulated.	
6.3	ERC programme of six development and support sessions for	
0.0	community councillors has been circulated.	
6.4	Planning Forum Handout has been circulated G. Steel and E.	
	Wallace attended the awareness session.	
6.5	Alex Hewitson ERC has responded to the request for UCC	J.Miller
	constitutional change, this is being reviewed and a response is	
	to follow in due course. Joyce to make contact.	
6.6	Wind Turbine update.	
	ERC- West Carswell (Dareduff Hill) withdrawn. Airport objection	
	and applicant did not provide adequate noise assessment.	
	EAC – Dareduff Hill – consented but not yet erected	
	EAC- Dareduff hill – recommended for refusal - noise	
	conditions not met and objection from airport - goes to	
	committee 1 April 2016	
	EAC – Fingart Appeal - DPEA decision w/b 21/3/16	
	ERC – Carswell Hill – noise condition attached to consent being	
	appealed by appellant – target date for decision April 2016.	
40.0	Councillors left the meeting	
10.0	Finance report	
10.1	Treasurer not present and financial report not available,	
11.0	Web report	
11.1	548 views to website last month	
12.0	AOCB	
12.1	Forthcoming AGM Monday 18 th April 2016. Accounts to be	C.Brindley
	signed off by Chairman and Secretary. Notice of AGM to be	G. Steel
	given via Uplawmoor info, UCC website and village	J.Miller
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	noticeboards. Wine and soft drinks to be served.		
12.2	UCC newsletter. To be completed and distributed prior to AGM.	ALL	
12.3	Village directory. In progress and enquiries to be made	J.Miller	
	regarding printing of same	R.Leggat	
12.4	Village clean up. 7 th May 2016.	ALL	
13.0	Date of Next Meeting		
13.1	AGM. Mure hall 7 for 7.30pm 18 th April	ALL	