

JBCTD Board Meeting
Monday 29th March 2022 at 10am
At the Johnstonebridge Centre

Members Present:

Lord David Johnstone (Chair)
Lady Julia Barnard
George Muirhead
John Graham
Billy Lockhart

In attendance:

Helen Thornton (Admin)
Katie Nairn (Consultant)

Minutes:

1	<u>Welcome and Apologies</u> LLDJ welcomed everybody. There were Apologies from Russ Watson	Action
2	<u>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</u> The previous minutes of 7 th February Proposed by David Johnstone, Seconded by Julia Barnard. There were no matters arising that were not covered in the minutes.	
3	<u>Rural housing update</u> Meeting to be made with David and Mark to see how to best forward the project	
4	<u>Treasurers Report</u> To be brought circulated before the next meeting. Report to then be brought to each meeting detailing incoming and outgoing funds against the budget.	
5	<u>Report on Centre Activity (HT)</u> a) The Centre remains busy, and bookings continue. b) The village show is booked for 20 th August, and we have suggested that they apply for funding through JCCDT Minnygap for the hire of the hall and any other reasonable costs. c) Ross Currie to get the go ahead to take on the project of the MUGA Lighting. Bollards to be looked at by George and John to see if a new driver will solve the issue. d) Circle repair funding has been accepted and quotes chased. DGHP have shown interest in the communal seating area and a zoom meeting will be set up to discuss HT/LDJ e) Breakfast club is very well attended and running smoothly by the parent council. Comment made that the school may benefit from having a road sign to help advertise the school HT to pass on to the parent council f) Junior Youth Club start date set as the 6 th April.	HT GM/JG LDJ/HT HT
6	<u>Web site update</u> Re brand – Logo was agreed on and the next steps can continue to develop. Katie to continue liaising with Corona IT	KN
7	<u>Funding (KN/HT) – Updated Fund Spreadsheet</u>	

	a) Minnygap Training Fund Update and funding panel vacancies The Minnygap Training Fund has been pushed on social media and posters locally. There are three vacancies on the funding panel, names brought forward as potential candidates were Wendy, Marion, Shelby and John R. Face-to-face conversations were thought to be the best approach. The additional Minnygap microgrant function was to be used for covid recovery purposes so the criteria was tighter than first anticipated. LDJ to investigate for future. b) Success of recent microgrants Recent microgrants had been approved by the panel for junior youth club. The club was set to start on the 6th of April but due to easter start date will now be 18th c) Discussion on application from the Trust – who approves Applications for the Trust would still be approved at the Board Meetings d) Decisions on microgrant applications -Solar Panel / First Aid / Easter I. Solar panel grant for the centre was unanimously agreed – Johnstonebridge community centre solar panel inverter replacement II. First aid course grant was unanimously agreed – 6 people can attend “first aid at work” training day ran by DG Training, held at the centre. III. Easter open day grant unanimously agreed – Open day for the centre to put activities on for local residents to enjoy the Easter break.	HT LDJ
8	Current Business a) Scottish water To be removed from Agenda b) Recycling Bin In place and working well, fence to be re straightened by contactors, Council have been liaising with them. c) Online Banking Helen to ask DTAS for advice as banks tried have not been able to accept a’ Trust’ d) Beverage licenses Helen’s test is complete and forms are to be sent off. Julia to complete before June. e) Newsletter Mailing list to be bought/sourced to enable us to send out the newsletter locally by hand. Price for 200 newsletter to be printed and 3000 flyers to help generate interest in the hall as a venue. f) Village Christmas lights Helen is speaking with the council on taking this project further forward. g) Wood walk path One company has been to see the location and the second company to quote early next week. Helen to send map of the area to DJ h) Bush trimming Job is complete and looks much more presentable. i) Queens Jubilee celebration /Tree Helen to register the bonfire beacon.	HT JB HT HT HT HT
9	AOB	

	a) Apple trees for main road grassed area Helen to source trees and get in touch with the council to see if we can plant them in the bottom village where the large hedge was removed some time ago. Permission from neighbours to be sought b) Sports funding under 18's Discussion on possibly having funding for younger children to get into sports. This was not really viable with us not having a sports centre near enough and other funding may cover activities. c) Extra hours Requested that the administrator's hours change from 20 hours to 25 hours, with the amount of activity going on in the centre and the lack of community council. It was agreed that the hours should change starting in April. d) Hire price for none profit clubs The youth club expressed a need for a discount price to hire the whole venue as cost are high. It was agreed to be discounted going forward. £30 to cover the cost of the 3hours and one £5 charge for having the extra rooms. e) Eden festival discount A villager asked if a discount could be possible with the festival being a regular local event. LDJ to enquire. f) Allotments It was questioned whether villages could have their own plots at the allotments, Russ replied via email that this was not possible the youth club will be using them after the Easter holidays. g) Other: quote for the hall to be repainted as it is looking a little tired in places. Billy to forward Helen details of a painter and decorator. h) AGM needed agreed 17th May 7.30 PM i) Villager noted amount of rubbish on the way up from the services was getting worse. Helen to contact the council. j) Fence for Annandale Way on BL land. HT to investigate with Annandale Way initially.	HT HT/RW LDJ BL/HT HT HT
10	<u>Date of Next meeting</u> AGM 17TH MAY 7.30PM	