

Floors , Makerstoun , Nenthorn , and Smailholm Community Council

on Tuesday 13th June 2023 at 7 pm

Smailholm Village Hall and Zoom

In attendance

Makerstoun – Andrew Carter AC, Philip Green PG Lord Biddulph LB

Smailholm – Jane Roberts IR, Ian Malcolm IM and Veronica Ross VR

Nenthorn – David Stark DS, Ian Topping IT Tony Kim TK on zoom

Councillors – Tom Weatherson TW and Euan Robson ER

The meeting opened with the approval of the previous meeting minutes with no amendments.

AC reconfirmed the Councils objectives being to help the villages where possible and working with the Scottish Borders Council to understand what is needed and where the Community Council can provide support.

Agreed Actions

- 1) Request for the Council to review documents that are issued to the Community Councils and to provide a 50 -100 word summary of the contents of each document.
 - a. *Action IS to request this from the Council*
- 2) Community Council Priorities
 - a. Roads
 - b. Communications
 - c. Grow Economic Activity
 - d. Support Residents within the Community
- 3) Finance Summary
 - a. As at June2023 balance available £1,053.57 after agreeing to spend £1,000 on the Nenthorn defib. 2024 grant submitted for £630 and now approved by the Council.
- 4) Police report received and read by all, request for the police to attend the odd meeting in order to hear any Community Council concerns.
 - a. *Action AC to contact the police to agree date of attendance.*
- 5) ER requested that the Kelso library needs members in order to continue the service.
 - a. *Action as many people as possible to join the library and if possible use the services, or this service maybe lost.*
- 6) Roads – view was that the roads were currently in good condition and repaired where necessary. All road defects to be logged with the council website.
 - a. *Action - AC to compile list of defects spotted across the villages*
- 7) Smailholm village speed limits

- a. Action – AC to canvas the village as to how speed could be slowed down, needs to be a village decision before AC can contact the Council Roads Department.
- 8) Nenthorn Village speed reduction to 30 mph.
 - a. *Agreed speeds needs to be reduced to max 30mph from the North End of the Village.*
Action - AC to meet new Council roads engineer on site to discuss how this can be achieved.
- 9) Website update
 - a. Ensure Community Council priorities are on the website
- 10) Smailholm Clearing of the Pond
 - a. Grant approved for the spend to do this
- 11) Search for a formal minute taker PG agreed to complete Junes meeting
 - a. *Action - Agreed to pay up to £60 per meeting*

Meeting was closed with the next meeting agreed 17th of October at 19.00 hours at Smailholm Village Hall