

6. Up-date on the current position with the Library

Councillor Aird confirmed that WCC Cabinet had approved the recommendations from the Evaluation Committee and the Review and Scrutiny Committee that the Community Library project should go forward. Dunchurch Library has been awarded £11,000 of transitional funding from WCC.

Grant funding from The Parish Capital Fund, Rugby Area Committee Fund has also been secured. Ann Wright confirmed that the application to Dunchurch Festival Group had received a favourable response and was being referred for approval.

Councillor Aird confirmed that the Rugby Advertiser had published an article on the Library project correcting the original published inaccuracies and apologising for their errors.

Anne Wright proposed a vote of thanks to Councillor Aird, Jon Bass and The Clerk for all their hard work in producing the business case.

The Reverend Garrett mentioned that The Dunchurch and Thurlaston Community Trust and the Educational Trust should be approached to give a donation to the Community Library.

7. The Way Forward

WCC have arranged a workshop at Shire Hall on Monday 24th October to discuss handover arrangements for Community Libraries including all the key issues that need to be resolved before a realistic start date can be arranged. The Parish Council would hope to arrange a formal start date of 1st April 2012.

Ann Wright has received a number of responses to her recent email and mailing asking people to complete a form indicating their availability to volunteer and what help they are able to offer. Ann will let us have exact figures once she has completed her analysis of replies.

Jon Bass has agreed to look into forming a charitable trust, 'The Friends of Dunchurch Library'. Jon has also agreed to be put forward to formally join the Library Sub-committee.

Ann Wright and Jon Bass agreed to become Trustees on the charitable trust side and members of the Sub-committee will produce a list of possible trustees to complete the agreed number of five trustees.

Councillor Aird confirmed that David Kenyon, the landlord of the present Parish Council premises, has been approached and he is happy to work with the PC to either find a new tenant or apply to change the use of the property to enable the Friends of Dunchurch Library to open a charity outlet.

Councillor Beech's husband has very kindly produced a set of drawings for modifications to the existing library building to incorporate an additional toilet with disabled facilities.

Several members of the sub-committee suggested builders who may be available to quote for the building works, once The Clerk has the details we will arrange for quotations to be submitted.

It was agreed that ways need to be found to promote the Community Library and encourage more volunteers and supporters to come forward. The Clerk will investigate opening a Facebook Page, A section of the Parish Council Web site could be used to promote the project with a view to opening a

new web site for the Library at a later date. There will also be opportunities to use the press to help promote events.

Councillor Moore will put together a Dunchurch Dialogue with an article on the current situation for distribution as soon as possible.

Councillor Aird suggested that the Committee should start thinking about who should be approached to open the new facility.

8. Budgetary Considerations for 2012/2013

Some expenditure will be required on merchandise to sell as promotional material for the Community Library. Councillor Aird suggested a company called Chilli Promotions may be able to offer a good price on small orders of promotional materials.

It is hoped that once the charitable arm of the Library is set up some funding will be available to cover a lot of the day to day running costs.

Date of Next Meeting – 17th November 2011, venue to be confirmed.

Meeting closed 10.00pm

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