East Durham Rural Corridor Area Action Partnership Board Meeting 22 March 2023 Key Messages

The following are the key messages from the Board Meeting held on Wednesday 22 March 2023:

- In the absence of Cllr Chris Varty (Chair) and the Vice Chairs, Stuart Dunn chaired the meeting. Everyone was welcomed to the East Durham Rural Corridor Area Action Partnership Board Meeting.
- Partners on the Board were invited to come along to a future Board meeting to provide an update -
 - Dave Tempest from Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service will be coming along to a forthcoming meeting to give an update on the Integrated Risk Management Plan.
 - Mark Readman, Head of Highways, Durham County Council will also be coming along to a forthcoming meeting to provide an update and share information on funding and what projects are running across the whole county.
- Neighbourhood Insp Sarah Honeyman provided an update on local policing issues.
- 7 Fun and Food projects were funded for the Easter holidays 2023 with a good mix of activities across the AAP area.
- Fun and Food for May Half Term 2023 was launched on 21 March 2023. Board members will be updated in due course.
- It had been confirmed that the AAP will receive £100,000 Area Budget for the coming financial year, along with £10,000 Welfare Reform and £9,902 Youth Fund. There will be no Older Peoples Social Isolation Fund or Healthy Relationships funding.
- In relation to Towns and Villages Funding we currently have £45,559.61 remaining.
- Time was allocated on the agenda to give Board members the opportunity to
 discuss the Community Engagement Review report amongst themselves. The
 consultation period on the report proposals is now open and will run until 23
 April 2023. The main DCC consultation webpage can be accessed here:
 https://www.durham.gov.uk/article/29179/County-Durham-community-engagement-consultation

• Date and time of next meeting – Tuesday 23 May 2023, 5.00 pm – venue tbc

Subsequent Board Meeting Dates

- Tuesday 18th July 2023
- Thursday 21st September 2023, Trimdon Station Community Centre
- Tuesday 21st November 2023
- Wednesday 24th January 2024
- Thursday 21st March 2024, Cassop Community Centre

Please make every effort to attend and promote amongst your contacts.