


East Durham Rural Corridor Area Action Partnership Board Meeting 21 March 2024 Key Messages

The following are the key messages from the Board Meeting held on Thursday 21 March 2024:

- Angela Stobart, Chair welcomed everyone to the online Board Meeting of the East Durham Rural Corridor Area Action Partnership.
 - Neighbourhood Insp Sarah Honeyman provided an update on local policing issues.
 - Dave Tempest from County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service delivered a presentation on the Community Risk Management Plan 2024-2027. From 16 February 2024 to 10 May 2024, you can take part in the consultation. To have your say -
 - Visit the website and fill in the online survey.
<https://www.ddfire.gov.uk/community-risk-consultation>
[Community Risk Management Plan Consultation 2024 - 2027 \(smartsurvey.co.uk\)](https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk)
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- A QR code with the text "Scan me" above it, intended for scanning to access the online survey.
- Check out their twitter feed @CDDFRS and look for the survey link.
 - Look at their Facebook page @ County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service and follow the link to the survey.
- It was noted that Cllr Gary Hutchinson had contributed £10,000 and Cllr Jan Blakey £5,000 from their Towns and Villages Neighbourhood Budget allocation towards the Bowburn Play Area Improvements project.
- On behalf of Emma McLoughlin, Jane delivered a presentation on the Towns and Villages Fund, an allocation of funds to deliver localised projects to revitalise and enhance towns and villages. Projects could be capital or revenue with an aim to make a real difference and a significant impact to beneficiaries within their communities. Each AAP received £210,000 Main Fund and each County Councillor received £10,000 each.
- The Board agreed to fund doors at the Active Life Centre at Coxhoe instead of the improvements to the entrance and gym as originally applied for.
- Sharon Gray from Crimestoppers was in attendance to explain her role.
- The following Neighbourhood Budget projects were shared with the Board –

Name of Scheme: Speed Matrix – Sedgefield & Fishburn
Councillor(s): Chris Lines / David Brown
Interest Declared: No
Amount: £23,386 (£11,693 each)

Name of Scheme: Entry to Care and Care Leavers Packs
Councillor(s): Jan Blakey / Chris Lines / Chris Varty
Interest Declared: No
Amount: £900 from EDRC Councillors / £18,200 total NB across the county

Name of Scheme: Armed Forces Day Event 2024
Councillor(s): Lucy Hovvels / Jake Miller / Chris Varty
Interest Declared: No
Amount: £3,000.00

The Board was happy for the projects to go ahead.

- Jane announced that Emma McLoughlin, Community Development Project Officer (Towns and Villages Fund Team) would be leaving at the end of March. She personally thanked Emma for her hard work; she had been a valuable member of the team. On behalf of the Board, the Chair asked for their thanks and best wishes to be passed on to her.
- Date and Time of Next Board Meeting – Tuesday 14 May 2024 – Trimdon Grange Community Centre

Subsequent Board Meetings (all starting at 5.00 pm; * venue to be arranged)

- Tuesday 16 July 2024 – Fishburn Community Centre
- Thursday 19 September 2024 - Bowburn Community Centre
- Tuesday 26 November 2024 – Coxhoe Village Hall
- Wednesday 22 January 2025 – Cassop Community Centre
- Thursday 27 March 2025 *

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