

Muckhart Community Plan: Update – 6th December 2017

Brief updates regarding the formation of various Working Groups, and progress made with their associated activities, were provided by the Action Plan Leaders. These are recorded below under the relevant Community Plan heading together with the Action Plan identifier (NB: agenda items 11 to 13 were also covered under this heading).

Review of Action Plans

Image of the Village: V-1 Lead PW; V-2 & V-3 Lead MP

PW: a meeting has been arranged for Thursday 7th December at which the key strategy points and contacts are to be agreed.

MP: plans which have been drafted will be developed further (see the meeting above).

Housing Development: H-1 Lead SD; H-2 Lead PT

SD: the Planning Sub-Group has met on various occasions (see item 9 below). This is an on-going activity.

Sustainability and Environment: S-1 & S-3 Lead PL; S-2 Lead JJ

PL: initial contacts have been made and planning is in progress.

JJ: various issues have been discussed and plans are in progress to hold a public meeting, in January / February, with an invited speaker from the Energy Saving Trust.

PL: further members of the community to support this objective are being actively sought.

Education: E-1, E-2 & E-3 Lead VW

VW: three meetings have been held, to date, focussed on the proposed Council budget cuts to school funding.

Business Development: B-1 Lead MRW; B-2 Lead JB

MRW: actions relating to superfast fibre broadband are already partially complete (see item 4 above). A Working Group of three members has been established. A meeting is being arranged for w/c 18th December to progress further broadband and mobile communications improvements.

JB: a Working Group has now been established. Further meetings are to be held.

Infrastructure: I-1 & I-2 Lead MRW

MRW: a Working Group of eight members has been established. An initial meeting is being held on 13th December. A further meeting with Council Roads and Paths officials is being arranged for w/c 8th January.

Active Community: A-1 & A-2 Lead JB; A-3 Lead JA

JB: the web-site is being regularly updated. This is an on-going activity.

JA: sources of potential funding have been noted and others are being investigated.

Public Services: P-1 Lead PL

PL: a planned CCTA Meeting has been cancelled. A new date is awaited (as is the current status of the CCTA).

Two transport surveys, undertaken in Dollar, did not yield encouraging results. They indicated that whilst more frequent bus services were requested, those currently available were not being used. One of these questionnaires has been obtained from Dollar Community Trust and will be used as input for a planned survey in Muckhart.