

The response from the head of Planning office is extremely disappointing. It tells us nothing that we did not know already and provides information we have already provided to the villagers.

What we are looking for from East Dunbartonshire Council is some action along the lines of EDC registering an objection to Openreach, "As the Council representing the villagers of Milton of Campsie and Lennoxton formally object to the use of timber Telegraph poles".

Whilst the employees of EDC are not elected they are employed by East Dunbartonshire Council which is generally funded from tax payers money and as such they should be representing our best interests, the response is apathetic to say the least. Stuart MacDonald, our Westminster MP has been in touch with Openreach regarding this issue and was made aware that they had the consent of the landowners and that installing underground would have caused too much disruption. In other words its cheaper to put poles and overhead cables in.

20, 30 or even a hundred plus a community council complaining does that carry the same weight as a Local Government council but obviously its too much to ask EDC to take action on behalf of its residents. Perhaps you and our other councillors can make representation to Openreach on our behalf, at least that would be something.