

SALSBURGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL - 13 AUGUST 1998

Community Hall, Thursday, 13 August 1998

Minutes of Meeting of SALSBURGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

PRESENT

H. McColl, J Wilson, J, Keir, G. Stephens, W. Queen, O. McAvoy and M. Hinds.

ALSO PRESENT

Councillor Hugh Lucas, North Lanarkshire Council.

APOLOGIES

J. Ross, N. McCann.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting of Thursday 9 July 1998 and the re-convened meeting of Thursday 23 July 1998 were submitted and approved.

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES

1. At this juncture Councillor Lucas joined discussion and gave report:

(1) Amendment

The ex officio report on "The Heating Report" was altered as follows: Following "Tender Documents" the words "are out" are removed and substituted by the words "are being drawn up".

(2) 30 MPH Sign

Matters were furthered in relation to the stolen 30 MPH Sign from the eastern end of the village.

(3) Rights of Way

Matters are to be investigated and details of blockages on Rights of Ways Numbers 13, 17 and 18 are to be located and highlighted.

(4) Local Ground

Matters are being progressed in relation to rubbish dumping and burned out cars, also under age motorcycling on the area of local ground to the rear of Carvale and Camsdale Avenues.

(5) Heating Programme

Matters have been passed to the Design Department and it is hoped that a decision could be made on the Programme from October onwards.

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(6) Swing Park

The accumulation of water, especially in the Swing Park in Carvale Avenue is being looked at with a view to draining problem areas of ground. However, due to the extremely wet weather matters are held in abeyance.

The following matters were then brought to the attention of Councillor Lucas.

(1) N.L.C. AND AIRDRIE AREA COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Community last received Minutes of Meeting of North Lanarkshire Council dated 14 May 1998 and have not received any Minutes of Meetings of the Airdrie Area Committee.

(2) ROADS FLOODING

Matters in relation to the blocking of the outfall pipe at St Catherine's Well (Kates Well) leading to dangerous accumulation of water over half of the carriageway on the B7066 were highlighted.

Matters were disclosed regarding the constant flow of water along the roadway at House of Muir Road leading to danger to pedestrian safety where they access postage and telephone sources.

The flow of water from under the road surface on the sharp downhill sloping right hand bend on Forrest Road approximately 50 metres prior to the bridge over the M8 motorway was also highlighted due to the occurrence of several vehicles leaving the road at that point (skidding) and crashing through the fence into the local farmer's field.

(3) FOOTBALL FIELD

Various matters were discussed in relation to the football fields in the village, goal posts and the use of the fields.

(4) K.O.S. SCHOOL PATH

Matters were highlighted in relation to the footpath from the village to K.O.S. School, its overground wild conditions and its poor state of repair.

Matters in relation to the condition of the footpaths around Lorne Gardens were also highlighted and concerns expressed regarding pedestrian safety.

Due to other commitments Councillor Lucas had to leave the meeting at this point. However, he informed members that he was not receiving Community Council Minutes via N.L.C. and was only informed of contents due to the Secretary sending information to him direct.

N.L.C. had previously informed members that they did send all information to the Ward Councillor. However, to ensure Councillor Lucas is kept fully informed of Community Council concerns, the Secretary will follow up matters and ensure he receives direct correspondence.

CORRESPONDENCE

North Lanarkshire Council
A.S.C.C.
Airdrie Citizens Advice Bureau
H. Liddel MP.

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GENERAL BUSINESS**(1) Outstanding Problems**

Correspondence was received from N.L.C. regarding outstanding problems, various concerns and other matters forwarded by the Community Council to N.L.C. for attention.

Members were reminded (C.C. Minutes 9 April 1998) that a meeting took place with representatives of N.L.C. where a comprehensive folder containing 25 documents, letters, maps, synopsis of meetings, press comment, discussion documents etc. were tabled for discussion.

Rather than entering into further long, detailed and time consuming correspondence, the Secretary is to seek to arrange for a representative of N.L.C. to attend a Community Council meeting to re-table and highlight the concerns and other matters previously notified to N.L.C.

(2) Bus Service

Correspondence was received from H. Liddell MP regarding comment by John Elliot (Managing Director FIRST) regarding the bus service to the village and complaints on that service.

Policy and comment on the points made will be forwarded to H. Liddell MP.

(3) Airdrie Citizens Advice

A representative of the Community Council has been invited to attend the A.G.M. of the Bureau on Thursday 10 September 1998 in the Airdrie Arts Centre in Anderson Street.

(4) Community Forum Establishment

A meeting in the Sir John Wilson Town Hall will take place on 25 August 1998 at 7 pm. to progress the establishment of the Airdrie and Villages Community Forum.

Representatives of the Community Council will attend the meeting.

(5) EC Intervention

Members noted information in regard to the EC Fruit and Vegetables Withdrawals Scheme.

The Community Council meeting concluded.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, 10 September 1998.

SALSBURGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL - Thursday 10 September 1998

Minutes of the Re-convened Meeting of **Salsburgh Community Council**
Held in the Community Hall on Thursday 10 September 1998

PRESENT

W. Queen, J. Ross, O. McAvoy, N. McCann, J Wilson, J. Keir and M. Hinds.

APOLOGIES

H. McColl and Councillor H. Lucas.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Minutes of the meeting of 13 August 1998 were submitted and approved.

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES

(1) RIGHTS OF WAY

2. Details of blockages on rights of way numbers 13, 17 and 18 were again highlighted.

(2) 30 MPH SIGN

3. The 30 mph speed limit sign at the eastern end of the village adjacent to the Co-op is still missing.

(3) NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL AND AIRDRIE AREA COMMITTEE MINUTES

4. The Community Council has still not received any Minutes of meetings of North Lanarkshire Council nor Airdrie Area Committee meetings.

(4) ROADS FLOODING

5. Surface water flooding on the B7066, House of Muir Road and Forrest Road is still a problem and a cause of concern to pedestrians and drivers alike.

(5) K.O.S. SCHOOL PATH

6. Various concerns were again voiced regarding the condition of the footpath to K.O.S. School.

CORRESPONDENCE

7. North Lanarkshire Council
Wonderland News
Lanarkshire Health Board
Scottish Local Government
EC Food Surplus

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GENERAL BUSINESS**(1) SCOTTISH LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

8. The Community Council is to renew its membership and subscription to the Local Government Information Unit.

(2) BUS SERVICE

9. The Secretary is to seek clarification of new bus timings and service routes.

(3) MANDATE

10. The Treasurer highlighted a hindrance regarding a mandate signature.

(4) K.O.S. SCHOOL TRANSPORT

11. Members were informed of Police and School Board concerns regarding daily parking turning and access problems at K.O.S. School by parents and others conveying children to and from school.

Members were reminded that they have on two occasions submitted plans and drawings to increase the area of the village nature park on to the unused and waste (derelict) ground adjacent to K.O.S. School and that the plans included a chipped surfaced car park area sufficient to accommodate twelve cars to alleviate and accommodate parking, turning and access problems.

(5) ANTI-SOCIAL NEIGHBOUR POLICY

12. Members were informed of North Lanarkshire Council report on anti-social neighbours and concerned that the policy statement should be well publicised in an accessible and easily understood format under the headings of anti-social behaviour, harassment, nuisance and incompatible neighbours and that strong and effective action should be taken by all available means to address problems of all types of anti-social behaviour.

(6) SALSBURGH SURGERY

13. Members were made aware of correspondence from Lanarkshire Health Council regarding the status of the Salsburgh practice which is at odds with the understandings and undertakings previously given to the people of the village and the surrounding area. The Secretary is to make further enquiries.

(7) COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

14. Members were made aware of variance regarding the distribution of Community Council minutes and the responsibility to forward copies of those minutes to the Ward Councillor.

The Community Council meeting concluded.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, 8 October 1998.

SALSBURGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL - 8 OCTOBER 1998

Minutes of meeting of Salsburgh Community Council held in the
Community Hall on Thursday 8 October 1998.

Present: H. McColl, N. McCann, M. Hinds, O. McAvoy, W. Queen.

Apologies: J. Wilson, G. Stephens, Councillor H. Lucas.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Minutes of the meeting of Thursday 10 September 1998 were submitted and approved.

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES**(1) MINUTES OF MEETING**

2. Members noted that the words 're-convened' should be deleted from heading of Salsburgh Community Council minutes dated 10 September 1998.

(2) 30 MPH SIGN

3. It was noted that the 30 mph sign at the eastern end of the village has now been replaced.

(3) ROADS FLOODING

4. Members noted that surface water flooding on the B7066 at St Catherines Wall (Kates Wall) at house of Muir Road and Forrest Road is still a problem and cause for concern to pedestrians and driver alike.

(4) K.O.S SCHOOL PATH

5. Members are to meet with Mr Ian Stevenson of NLC to show him the condition and the problems associated with the path leading to K.O.S school.

(5) BUS SERVICE

6. Information relating to the recent changes to First Bus routes and service frequencies was distributed.

(6) NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL MINUTES

7. Members were informed that the last minutes of meetings of North Lanarkshire Council received by the Community Council were dated Thursday 14 May 1998.

Members were uncertain if meetings were being conducted at NLC but concurred that it is possible the public of North Lanarkshire as well as the Community Council may have no idea what is happening within the Administration.

CORRESPONDENCE

8. Shell Better Britain Campaign
S.L.G.I.U
First Bus
NLC
NHS Trust
M.A.V.S
Wonderland Ltd
Boundary Commission

GENERAL BUSINESS

(1) SALSBURGH SURGERY

9. Further clarification is being sought regarding the status of Salsburgh practice.

(2) AIRDRIE AND VILLAGES COMMUNITY FORUM

10. A further public meeting to note the appointment of Community Council representatives and other Forum members is to be held in the Airdrie Community Education Centre in Clark Street, Airdrie on Tuesday 20 October 1998 at 7 pm.

(3) OUTSTANDING PROBLEMS

11. Correspondence was received from NLC dated 1 October 1998 regarding our request to invite a representative of NLC to attend a Community Council meeting to discuss outstanding problems.

Members were reminded of the Community Council minutes dated 13 August 1998 where the *outstanding problems were highlighted*.

The Secretary is to again list the items for discussion and submit details to NLC.

(4) FUNDING SEMINAR

12. A funding seminar organised by M.A.V.S is to take place in Salsburgh on Wednesday 4 November at 7 pm. The Community Council will be represented at the meeting.
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(5) AIRDRIE AND COATBRIDGE AREAS ISSUES REPORT

13. Members noted the issues report and the views and comments expressed in the report which is intended to replace the Monklands District Local Plan 1991.

Members noted with particular interest the comments by Councillor H. Lucas our ward representative as follows:-

- (1) In relation to Chapter 2 Salsburgh is experiencing decline due to a lack of housing development opportunities.
- (2) In relation to POP3, population targets for local plan are and settlements are appropriate.
- (3) In relation to Chapter 3, closure of the B7066 through Salsburgh would release land for housing, which would integrate the village. Further potential exists on land to the east of the recreation ground on the southern side of the village.
- (4) In relation to Chapter 9, the potential to close B7066 through Salsburgh should be evaluated. This would require traffic calming measures in main street.

Members also noted with interest some of the other comments within the document especially the interference from Strathclyde Police (Airdrie) "population is a wider issue than building houses for people. It is about why people would live here".

(6) THIRD STATUTORY REVIEW

14. Members noted the report to the Secretary of State for Scotland regarding the third statutory review of electoral arrangements for the North Lanarkshire Council area.

At the moment there are 69 electoral wards in the North Lanarkshire Council area. On 6 March 1997 NLC submitted a scheme for 71 wards, they then followed this with a revised scheme on the 20 May 1997 for 70 wards and the final recommendation by the Local Government boundary commission for North Lanarkshire Council is for 70 wards.

The present ward 47 (Brownsburn and Woodhall) containing Salsburgh could be changed by the new proposals whereupon Salsburgh could become a ward in its own right (proposed ward 52) and accordingly with its own local elected ward representative.

Actual population of the electorate in Salsburgh during 1996 is given as 2776 persons while the estimated population for the year 2001 is given as 3484. The boundaries of the proposed ward 52 are described in the Commission report and the Community Council are to seek clarification via the illustrative maps.

(7) LAND REFORM POLICY GROUP

15. Members were made aware of the Land Reform Policy Group consultation paper "Identifying the Solutions" and the summary was distributed to members. Members noted that only 3 Community Councils responded to the Policy Groups first consultation and because of this the Group intend to target Community Councils direct rather than through the association of Scottish Community Councils.

(8) NORTH LANARKSHIRE DECENTRALISATION SCHEME

16. Members are to submit their views on North Lanarkshire Council Decentralisation Scheme to the Airdrie Area Committee in answer to their survey request.

(9) INTERACTIVE NEWSLETTER

17. Members are to pursue various matters highlighted in the Network Newsletter.

The Community Council meeting concluded.

The next meeting of the Community Council will take place on Thursday 12 November 1998.