

BALLOCH EASTFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on Wednesday 6/3/02

PRESENT AT THE MEETING : Ramsay Kyle (Chair)
Ken Grant
John Stuart
Raymond Fisher
Trevor Grant
Jim McKenna
Gurbaksh Kaur

ATTENDING : Sgt. David Bird, P.C. Mike Reynolds and Fiaz Saleem.

The meeting opened at 8.05p.m.

APOLOGIES : Apologies were received from Dave Tavendale and Stacey Grant.

PREVIOUS MINUTES : The minutes from the meeting held on Wednesday 6th February 2002, were read and agreed.
Proposed by Gurbaksh Kaur and seconded by Raymond Fisher.

MATTERS ARISING : There were no matters arising.

POLICE REPORT : There were 7 reported crimes for the area of Balloch Eastfield which include drink and vandalism offences.

Youths congregating at Tesco Store, Craigmarloch, and the theft of goods from the store was discussed.

Youth issues in general were discussed in detail.

Zero Tolerance should be looked at in more detail.

CORRESPONDENCE : An up to date correspondence sheet was given to all members present at the meeting and was read by Ken Grant.

TREASURERS REPORT : The Treasurers Report was unavailable due to the new Treasurer awaiting for up to date paperwork.

A.O.C.B. : Ken Grant once again asks if minutes from the Crime Prevention Panel meetings can be sent to the Community Council.
John Stuart and Ramsay Kyle will address this issue.

Trevor Grant felt that crime statistics were not very clear.
A brief discussion took place on the subject.

Again the issue of youths congregating, creating a nuisance and having "nothing to do" was discussed in detail.

The issue of the proposed Orange Masts was briefly discussed.

With no further business the meeting closed at 9.15p.m.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on Wednesday 3/4/02

PRESENT AT THE MEETING : Ramsay Kyle (Chairman)
Raymond Fisher (Treasurer)
Gurbaksh Kaur
Trevor Grant (Scribe)
Dave Tavendale

ATTENDING : Sgt. David Bird, P.C. Mike Reynolds & P.C. Dave Foster.

The meeting opened at 8.10p.m.

APOLOGIES : Apologies were received from Ken Grant (Secretary), Jim McKenna, John Stuart & Stacey Grant.

PREVIOUS MINUTES : The minutes from the meeting held on Wednesday 6th March 2002, were read and agreed.
Proposed by Raymond Fisher and seconded by Trevor Grant.

MATTERS ARISING : In response to Trevor Grant's view that the crime statistics were not very clear, Sgt. Bird & P.C. Reynolds clarified the situation.

There were no other matters arising.

POLICE REPORT : Sgt. Bird introduced P.C. Dave Foster who will be partnering P.C. Mike Reynolds.
P.C. Willie Sampson will be coming to the area to support Dave & Mike.

There were 3 reported crimes in the area of Balloch Eastfield.

There are still problems with youths drinking alcohol and playing football outside of the local shop, fish & chip shop and the library.

Sgt. Bird & P.C. Reynolds suggest that anyone knowing who these youths are should report them to the Police.

Sgt. Bird reported that in other parts of Cumbernauld youths were congregating away from peoples homes and were not causing any trouble.

CORRESPONDENCE : The Secretary had sent his apologies therefore the correspondence was unavailable.

Trevor Grant gave a brief report on the Scottish Executive paper regarding a bill to set up a 'Scottish Commissioner for Public Appointments'.

The deadline for responses to this paper is Thursday 11th April 2002.

Trevor stated that he made a few comments, in pencil, on the paper and reported that he agreed with its sentiments; though there are a few issues that would need clarifying.

A letter has been received by the Chairman of the Community Council from Cumbernauld Swimming Club requesting a donation towards a forthcoming championship swimming competition.

Ramsay Kyle proposed a donation of £100 and this was seconded by Trevor Grant.

TREASURERS REPORT : Raymond Fisher reported that the Bank Balance is £1,459.01 and £41.19 as Petty Cash.

He will shortly be sending the books away for auditing to NLC.

A.O.C.B. : It is alleged that NLC has put forward 6 potential sites in response to the building of a Rangers Supporters Club in Cumbernauld.

There was a lot of discussion on this issue and the Community Council agreed that it should **not** be built in Cumbernauld.

Raymond Fisher gave an update on the progress to date regarding facilities for Cumbernauld Boys' Football Club.

He reported that Provost Barry McCulloch is to meet with the Director of Sport & Leisure at NLC in an effort to get the football facilities sorted out.

Provost McCulloch is also to arrange a meeting with the Millennium Committee to seek funds/grant.

Raymond is also seeking help from the Scottish Football Association.

There was some discussion and concerns about Landlords buying CDC houses from NLC and renting them to 'undesirables', who are moved from other areas to Cumbernauld, and whose rent is paid for by the Local Authority.

We believe that such practice, if true, may be creating 'ghettos' and could lead to increased crime and other forms of anti-social behaviour.

With no further business the meeting closed at 9.20 p.m.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING : The next meeting of Balloch Eastfield Community Council will be held on Wednesday 1st May 2002, at 8.00 p.m.