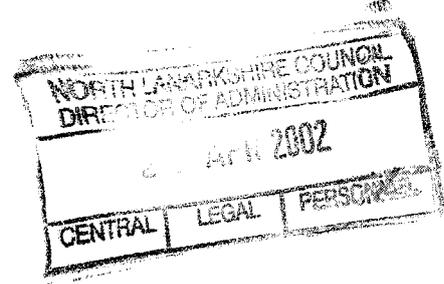
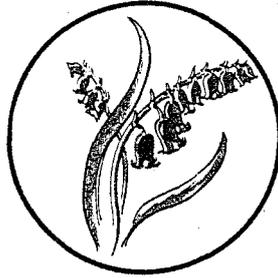


# Dullatur Community Council



**Minutes of Public Meeting held in Dullatur Village Hall, 11 April 2002 at 8.pm**

**Purpose of Meeting ....To address breaches of Dullatur Lawn Tennis Club Constitution and family membership.**

**Present...**Margaret Moore, Margaret Smillie, Margaret Kennedy, J McLean, M Harrison, E Watson, L Meldrum, P Chard. Dullatur Community Council committee.  
26 residents of Dullatur.

**Apologies....**Mr & Mrs J Sword, Mr & Mrs D Stevenston, Mr & Mrs S Whitelaw, Mr & Mrs C Ormerod, Mr & Mrs S Campbell, Mr & Mrs G Norman, Mrs M Young, Mrs P Scott, Mr P Markham. All giving proxy vote to Community Council.

Mrs Moore opened the meeting after a delay of ten minutes to allow time for latecomers. She welcomed every one present and hoped for an amicable and productive meeting, adding the prime objective for every resident was to keep the tennis courts for the village of Dullatur, especially the children. On the purchase of the courts from Mrs Boak it was her expressed wish that the courts be retained for the children. Mrs Moore read the extract from the letter dated 10 June 1981.

Mrs Moore read out three letters from residents who had been refused membership to the Dullatur Lawn Tennis Club and the names and addresses of seven other families who had also been refused.

A letter from Carruthers Gemmill, solicitors dated 27 March 2002 was read regarding Superiority of the property of the Community Council. Disposition transferring superiority to the Community Council was signed on 11 April 2002, Minute of Consolidation will be signed on 12 April 2002.

Mrs Moore asked Mrs Smillie to read the relevant facts to acquiring the present tennis courts and village hall. Everyone present was given a copy of these facts, all of which were extracts of Dullatur Community Council Minutes. Mrs Smillie ended giving a vote of thanks to all members of the Community Council for their continued support and solidarity.

Mrs Moore read from the extracts giving the conditions of the grant of £2,500.00 for the purchase of the tennis courts and surrounding area in 1982. See attached.

Mrs Moore then read the clauses of the constitution that had been breached.  
Clauses 4a, 4b, 5a, 5b, 5c, 6c, 7a.

The meeting was then opened to the floor.

After a general discussion on the sub-committee aspect of the DLTC, Mr McFarlane suggested that perhaps the Community Council should have total control. Mr Colquhoun said that if the DLTC were not keeping the rules of the Constitution, they should be disbanded. Mr Harrison suggested that as Dullatur had increased in size we could sustain the club with Dullatur residents only. The Chair said that it might be unfair to anyone moving out of the village that were members. The DLTC A.G.M. was discussed as Associate Members had used full voting powers, thus, the family membership was changed with a vote of 9 to 4. This vote, if members only had voted would have been 3 - 2 against. (J McLean) This also occurred when voting for the president and office bearers. Mrs R Stewart queried non-playing membership. Mr O'Brian asked how many members were in the club. The Chair could not give the answer as no membership list had been given by DLTC, despite several requests. Mr Ali moved that the Community Council used its full power of control.

Mr G Stewart said that he thought the constitution had changed regarding associate members and read from the minutes of the 1998 DLTC A.G.M. Mrs Smillie requested to answer this and asked Mrs Payne the DLTC secretary of the period to confirm a meeting of the DCC when these changes were discussed, the DCC only approved minor word changes e.g. premises and buildings and nothing else. She also reminded Mrs Payne of the DCC letter to DLTC regarding concerns of a ratio change. Mrs Payne agreed with these facts. Mrs Smillie also said that the members who approved the minute of the changes to the constitution would not have agreed to the removal of the 60/ 40% ratio or the associate member.

Mr Pitt asked why associate members should be penalised. Mrs Moore said that the courts were principally for the residents of Dullatur. Mr McFarlane asked if the DLTC was financially viable. Chair replied yes. Mr Houston proposed a vote of no confidence of the DLTC committee and that it should be dissolved. A vote was taken and carried with 1 abstention and 1 against.

It was decided an interim committee should be formed to run the club until such time that an E.G. M. could be held, possibly in September. Mrs Smillie proposed Mr T Moore, who stood for President at the A.G.M. and was out-voted by associate members. Seconded by Mrs P Chard.

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| Margaret Kennedy | Pat Chard        | Mr O'Brian | Mr Humphries |
| Linda Campbell   | Lorraine Meldrum |            |              |

Offered their services.

Mr G Stewart asked how and when the DLTC committee would be notified, it was stated that all committee members would be given hand delivered letters tomorrow.

Mrs Moore thanked everyone for their input and closed the meeting

A short Community Council meeting was then held to ratify the minutes.

*P.S. my computer crashed after this  
correspondence will follow. As Mark invites  
Mr Smillie*