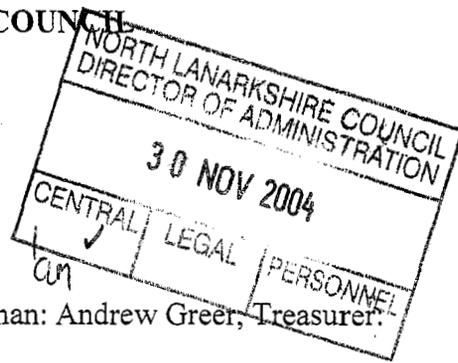


KILDRUM COMMUNITY COUNCIL
22/09/04



WELCOME

Chairman welcomed everyone.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Tom Mitchell, Chairman: Bill Dempsey, Vice Chairman: Andrew Greer, Treasurer:
Babs Crosbie, Margaret Robertson, Bill Inglis

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minute was approved after change of date re New Nursery to 2006.
Approved. Moved Maureen Wilkie, Seconded Irene Raeburn

MATTERS ARISING

None

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman reminded the meeting that all community councillors would stand down as at 8th October 2004. He hoped that a new Community Council would be formed in due course.

There had been 8 nominations.

Kildrum School had been demolished. The Chairman was contacting the contractors re state of the site. Councillor Margaret Murray was also pursuing this.

The shop at 7 Clouden Road was applying for a licence again. The Community Council was asked to oppose this. A letter would be drafted accordingly.

TREASURERS REPORT

The balance stood at £3324.00

COMMUNITY POLICE.

The Community Police reported that there had been 45 reported crimes in Kildrum. They reminded the community that they could give Crime Prevention advice if asked.

The Graffiti Task Force can now be contacted. This service is available to private individuals as well as businesses and had been very successful and prompt in dealing with graffiti in the area. This service is free of charge.

It was reported that extra resources were being brought in to deal with the situation in the Ainslie Road area.

Some of the perpetrators were known and were being pursued.

Community police emphasised that people must phone in any complaints. Action is taken on the number of call received. A general discussion took place re anti social behaviour. The views of the public would be reported to a higher level.

COUNCILLOR MURRAY

Plans in place to do away with certain telephone boxes in the area. It was agreed that this was a positive move as those boxes only attracted crime in the area.

The Handy Man service was now available throughout North Lanarkshire. Councillor Murray had information regarding this.

The news that a new Minister was in place in Kildrum Parish Church was very welcome.

Councillor Murray confirmed that the cleared school site would be used for housing and that some of the housing would be for the people from the Ainslie/Maclehose flats. A public meeting was to be called to allow the residents of the area to see plans and to air their views as to what is required in the community.

Councillor Murray also asked for support in arguing for "green spaces" in the area. Councillor Murray has already asked for a meeting with officials.

A general discussion took place re the Ainslie/Maclehose issue.

Councillor Murray reported that she had received a letter from Tesco explaining their commitment to the Scotland in the area of employment.

A general discussion took place re the Nursery and the green areas in the confines of the school. Bill Dempsie volunteered to find out where the new nursery would be situated

The lack of street names had been raised at a full council meeting. Hopefully this problem would be dealt with soon.

CLOSE

The Chairman thanked Councillor Murray and the police officer for their input and there being no other business, the meeting was closed.



**Kildrum Community Council
Wednesday 27th October 2004**

PRESENT

Tom Mitchell (Chair), Bill Dempsey (Vice Chair), Andrew Greer (Treasurer),
Babs Crosbie, Bill Inglis

APOLOGIES

Margaret Robertson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minute was approved by Babs Crosbie and seconded by Mrs Jamieson

MATTERS ARISING

None

CHAIR'S REMARKS

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated that the previous Community Council post holders would stay as is for a further term and that if anyone wished to put their name forward to join the Community Council over the coming months, they were welcome to do so. The Chair welcomed Councillor Murray.

The Chair spoke of the problems he faced trying to get information about the repair methods currently being used for the paths around Cumbernauld, he had spoken to the Roads Dept. and was awaiting further information.

The proposed pre school nursery facility in Kildrum was discussed at length with many of those present against the sighting of the facility.

- Residents complained that this was supposed to be a greenbelt area, as far as they were aware.
- Residents complained that it was difficult to get a parking space now and this would only exacerbate the problem.
- This area is the only open space available for children to play on during the summer months.

A number of other reasons were stated and this became quite a heated discussion with the majority against the use of this site.

Councillor Murray suggested that those against the proposed site should write to NLC with their objections. The chair stated that as the consensus of opinion of those present was against the site and would state this in a letter from the Community Council in support of the residents.

A number of complaints were received about the way NLC had gone about informing the residents about the proposed Childcare facility.

- Letters had been sent to 21 the houses facing the proposed site only.
- This was of concern to Kildrum residents, not only those facing the site.
- The letters were sent 2nd Class on 22nd Oct and arrived on the 25th Oct with a closing date for objections on the 5th Nov.

COUNCILLOR MURRAY

Councillor Murray informed the meeting that the drinks licence application for the shop at 7 Clouden Road had been withdrawn due to the objections made by local residents.

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Councillor Murray gave the residents the opportunity to see the proposed plans for the pre school nursery facility and Ainslie/Maclehose developments in Kildrum and discussed the disruption and mess this would cause in the local community. She also stated that Cumbernauld Housing Partnership would be hosting a meeting on Saturday 13th Nov to give residents a chance to look at the plans for the various house types proposed for the Ainslie and Maclehose developments.

She also noted that as usual at this time of year leaves on paths were dangerous and as yet many paths have not been cleared, she said would look into this to see what could be done.

COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT

The Sgt Smith of the Community Police gave a report on the crime figures for the Kildrum area and reported that 9 arrests had been made and 8 people had been reported to the PF. He mentioned that this was the third week of the Safer Scotland Campaign, local schools would be targeted for acts of street drinking, vandalism as well as other crimes, and fireworks, vandalism and offensive weapons would be the target the following week.

Householders in Ainslie/Maclehose complained of youths kicking doors and smashing lights and asked Sgt Smith if the new Police powers now in force would help and how these new powers could be used to break up crowds and antisocial members of the public. He explained that the new powers would be used only as a last resort and would be at the discretion of those involved. He also stated that he was awaiting further clarification of what the Police in the area could or could not do and under what circumstances. He said he would keep us informed.

The Community Police stated that if anyone had any information regarding the vandalism at Cumbernauld High School or any other matter that they speak to him in confidence after the meeting.

TREASURERS REPORT

The Treasurer reported that finances were relatively healthy at this point in time, with £3268.33 in the current account and £18.02 petty cash.

CORRESPONDENCE

The treasurer informed everyone details of a meeting regarding the A80 which was to be held on Friday 29th October.

AOCB

A general discussion took place regarding the proposed developments in Kildrum and loss of the green belt area at the proposed Nursery site and the loss of other green areas in Kildrum.

Concern was expressed regarding rubbish dumping at the old Kildrum Primary School site and the clean up of rubbish from bonfires.

Concern was also expressed regarding the condition of paths, common walls and fences next to public paths. Many of the walls are bulging and badly deteriorated and are therefore a danger to the public. Regeneration of the Kildrum area, which is the oldest part of Cumbernauld, should be a priority.

Date of next meeting

24th November 2004