

Kilsyth & Villages Community Forum Minutes

Date of Meeting: 2nd October 2013

**Venue: St Patricks Primary
School, Kilsyth**

No.	Item	Action
1.	<p>Attendance and sign in: Paul Carter – F.K.A.P. Ron Morecroft – Banton Community Council Anne Sneddon – Resident Lynsey Sampson – SAMH Jean Jones - NLC</p> <p>In attendance: Rosalyn Griffith – Community Engagement Officer, N.L.C. Jacqueline Marshall – VANL (Secretariat Support)</p> <p>Apologies: Ian Jarvis Karim Lota Cllr Heather McVey</p>	
1.	<p>Chair welcomed all to the meeting and introduced Lynsey Sampson who was invited along to discuss Well Informed, a Lanarkshire programme that makes it easier to access local opportunities to improve your mental health and wellbeing.</p> <p>Special Agenda Item 1 – Lynsey Sampson</p> <p>A presentation was given to members regarding Well Informed, an organisation based within Motherwell, covering the whole of North Lanarkshire. Well Informed is an information service that signposts to local support and services related to mental health and well being throughout North Lanarkshire. The organisation work alongside Community Link Officers who research the services and activities available with particular areas which is then reported back the Well Informed to be uploaded onto their database to allow members to provide accurate and up to date information. Well Informed currently have 12 part time volunteers which have dedicated their time to the organisation for approximately two years. Well Informed currently attend various local schools to highlight mental health and also hold information afternoons within Motherwell College at least once a month. Handouts were circulated for members consideration.</p>	

2.	<p>Minutes adopted , matters arising Minutes of last meeting:</p> <p>Proposed: Paul Carter</p> <p>Seconded: Ron Morecroft</p> <p>Paul mentioned that Cheryl has resigned as secretary and would like to thank her for all her support and hard work to the forum over the past three years. Paul mentioned that he will fulfil the place of LAP representative and will be depending on Rosalyn as secretary until position is filled.</p> <p>At the last committee meeting it was agreed that Ian Jarvis would fill the position of vice chair, however this could not be validated at tonight's meeting.</p>	
3.	<p>Treasurers Report:</p> <p>£879.25 in bank account</p> <p>St Patricks Primary has been booked until next year for future meetings.</p>	
4.	<p>Correspondence and matters arising:</p> <p>A response letter was received from Police Scotland regarding the Forum's objection, the issue was appealed however was upheld. A meeting took place with elected members and community council regarding the appeal. Cllr Jean Jones mentioned that Clyde valley are interested in the particular area and have suggested they approach the police regarding their interest.</p>	
5.	<p>Reports:</p> <p>Cllr Jean Jones mentioned that an application went through yesterday which had a good debate within the chambers. Also a full report regarding Wynford Road will be available for the next community council meeting.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the closure of Police counters, to which the review suggested that counter will be open from 9am till 5pm or less offices open, encouraging the public to call 101 instead of 999 if the call is not an emergency and to make enquiries or appointments online. Consultations are out at moment and it was suggested that its important that the forum support it. Jean to send Paul and Ron such information. It was also mentioned that approximately 60 counters will be closed and a majority will have reduced opening hours. It was suggested that the forum should invite along Police Scotland to a future meeting to discuss such proposals.</p>	

	Both Karim and John attended the Crime prevention panel and were disappointed with the reception they were both given, as members did not acknowledge them until half way through the meeting.	
6.	<p>Local issues:</p> <p>Members will finalise the forums LAP report tonight.</p> <p>Discussion took place regarding the Health Reference Sub Group meeting which is scheduled to take place within the next couple of weeks in Wishaw General Hospital, Paul mentioned that the Forum currently do not have a representative to attend such meetings on behalf of the forum. Jean suggested that the forum should advertise for an individual who has an interest in health, who could attend such meetings and report back to the forum but don't necessarily need to attend every forum meeting.</p> <p>Rosalyn discussed an email received from Caroline Dewey regarding the Arts Strategy for the new Kilsyth Health Centre. It was suggested that the forum should contact Dot Norris who owns her own art gallery.</p>	
7.	<p>Date and Subject of next meetings;</p> <p>Wednesday 6th November, St Patricks Primary School, 7pm</p>	
8.	<p>AOCB:</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the attendance at forum meetings, and how rotation of venues for meetings was successful for some time however members preferred having the meetings within one venue. It was mentioned that a change of venue could be the reason behind poor attendance as well as a change of day from a Monday evening to a Wednesday evening. Cllr Jean Jones suggested the forum should pull together an article to submit into the local newspaper highlighting the benefits of becoming a forum member. Jean to pass on Bill's contact details to Paul regarding representation from local churches.</p>	Cllr Jean Jones
9.	Executive Meeting:	