

Minutes of Condorrat Community Council Meeting 1st February 2007 held in McAuley Hall

Present: Ian Pollock, Sam Mitchell, Dan Mooney, Alan Sneddon, Mr J McCarthy, Gordon Irvine, Mrs Isa Burns, Danny Carrigan, PC Michelle Thomson, PC David Little, Cclr Gerry McElroy, Cclr Bob Chadha, Mrs Helen Cairns, Bobby Johnstone.

Apologies: Mrs Jean Johnstone, Mrs Ann Sneddon, Mrs Helen Mitchell, Mrs Fiona Main.

Minutes of previous meeting Proposed by Ian Pollock and seconded by Helen Cairns, with one correction in Council Business Mr McCarthy does not need permission of "all locals" to speak at the Planning Meeting.

#### Police Report

The Community Police have noted that a new shopkeeper has taken over. Teenagers have been warned of the possible penalties of street drinking by the Community Police who have also been investigating the "wheelie bin" problem – their being set on fire. Car crime is on the increase and Police have initiated a new action on this, a new Number Plate Recognition Unit has been set up and is operating in the area. Gordon Irvine asked if the Community Wardens were working in Condorrat, the Councillors reported that they were in the area 2½ days per week.

#### Matters Arising

Parking Problems at the Library and Disabled Parking spaces in the car park at the Club, were questioned and the Councillors said that they would look into this. Sam Mitchell again complained about the parking at the Bookies in North Road and the pavement being blocked by cars/vans/lorries. It was agreed that something must be done about this as occasional warnings from the Police does not seem to be working.

#### Council Business

Cclr McElroy reported that the flooding problem in Barbeth seems to have been resolved since last year. Overhead power lines at Dalshannon Place – the Councillor has discussed the matter with Scottish Power and they have agreed to re-route the lines underground. There was a good HM Inspector's report on the Baird School. There was a complaint that traffic signs at the new roundabouts were not working yet. Mr McCarthy asked about the proposed new flats off Main Road, near the filling station as there was still a lack of information on this. Cclr Chadha said the builder had not submitted his final proposals, it was agreed that the Community Council would await the final proposals. The gate at St Helens School has had a drain gully installed and this has cleared the surface water. The installation of new bathrooms in the village under North Lanarkshire Council is progressing. The Peepholes in Rannoch Court are now being fitted. In the North Lanarkshire Council flats in Primrose Place owner occupiers have prevented the fitting of security systems. Cclr Chadha reported that the parking problems at Kirk Place are being investigated, and that the traffic calming work in Main Road had been completed.

#### Treasurers Report

Alan Sneddon reported that two donations had been made (a) £150 to Red Road Club to show gratitude for the enjoyable hospitality and £200 donation to Condorrat Pensioners Christmas Lunch as per minutes of the last meeting. Cash in Bank £1412.33.

#### AOCB

Bobby Johnstone has had a reply from the Auditor General about CDC money and assets not being used for Cumbernauld as intended, the matter will be looked into. Bobby informed the meeting that there were no items in the North Lanarkshire Council budget, publicised at the Area Meeting last week for Cumbernauld eg Town Park, Town Centre etc. Bobby read out a draft letter to the Cumbernauld News regarding the CDC Money and Assets, amounting to £74 million, and suggesting that Cumbernauld should at least receive a large percentage of that money, if not all the money. This was approved by the meeting. A similar letter is to go to North Lanarkshire Council and all Community Councils should be asked to write to North Lanarkshire Council. Dan Mooney suggested that Pollock Hall was not used much during the day and should be utilised more, he would pursue this matter.

Mr Danny Carrigan introduced himself as a Candidate in the Council Elections in May. He suggested that the Community Council should be holding a Public Meeting to explain the new voting system and the new Council Ward arrangements. He said that information was available on the web at [www.votescotland.gov.uk](http://www.votescotland.gov.uk).

DONM 1<sup>st</sup> March, 7.30 in McAuley Hall