

**Kilsyth & Villages
Community Forum
Minutes**

Date of Meeting: 7th November 2012

**Venue: Kilsyth Primary
School, Kilsyth**

| No. | Item | Action |
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| 1. | <p>Attendance and sign in: Paul Carter – F.K.A.P. Cheryl Anderson – Kilsyth Community Council Friends of Burngreen Wendy Hoyle – Banton & Kelvinhead Community Council Ron Morecroft – Banton & Kelvinhead Community Council Mary Caldwell – Bogside & Kirklands Tenants & Residents Clare Caldwell – Hand of Friendship Denise Walker – Customer services officer, NLC Jarennif – N/A Alastair Rennie – Caroline Dewey – NHS Lanarkshire Marion Richardson – Banton & Kelvinhead Community Council</p> <p>In attendance: Cllr. J. Jones – North Lanarkshire Council Rosalyn Griffith – Community Engagement Officer, N.L.C. Jacqueline Marshall – VANL (Secretariat Support)</p> <p>Apologies: Catherine Martin (Chair)</p> | |
| 2. | <p>Special Agenda Item 1 – The Kelvin Valley Action Plan – Kirsty Gray NLC Officer & Jennifer Thomson</p> <p>Copies of the Draft Kelvin Valley Action Plan were distributed to members for discussion. Both Kirsty and Jennifer had an open discussion with members regarding each part of the action plan, consisting of the Current Status, Public Consultation, Key Priority Actions, Themes & Priorities, Objectives and the 5year Action Plan. Each section was discussed, to which members were given the opportunity to ask questions. It was mentioned that the current Action Plan is out of date which is why public consultations are taking place to draft a new plan. Town centre work is scheduled to start in Spring 2013.</p> <p>Special Agenda Item 2 – “See Me Pledge” Caroline Dewey, Senior Health Practitioner NHS Lanarkshire</p> <p>Caroline provided members with a brief overview regarding what this campaign is about. The campaign is a national</p> | |

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| | <p>campaign to help reduce the stigma/discrimination of mental health. Approximately 500 organisations have taken part already, Caroline mentioned that she has spoken to the three chairs of Kilsyth & Villages Community Forum, Northern Corridor Community Forum and Cumbernauld Community Forum, to ask if all three would work together and sign the pledge. At this point Caroline discussed the draft action plan and mentioned that lots of resources are available. The signing up ceremony is scheduled to take place on 29th January at 7pm in Cumbernauld Town Hall. It was also suggested that the forum should invite along guest speakers to their meeting in February to discuss this pledge further. Caroline mentioned that she will also attend the February meeting to discuss event ideas with members. All present members agreed to take part in the campaign.</p> | |
| <p>3.</p> | <p>Minutes adopted , matters arising (adopt minutes for the last 2 AGM's also)</p> <p>Minutes of last meeting:</p> <p>Proposed: Iain</p> <p>Seconded: Wendy Hoyle</p> <p>Minutes of the AGM dated 8th June 2011:</p> <p>Proposed – Paul Carter Seconded – Cheryl Anderson</p> <p>Minutes of the AGM dated 23rd April 2011</p> <p>Proposed – Paul Carter Seconded – Cheryl Anderson</p> | |
| <p>4.</p> | <p>Correspondence</p> <p>Local Area Partnership</p> <p>Forum network meeting took place on 14th November. Participatory Appraisal, Gartlea Community Centre, 2 members from each forum are invited along to take part.</p> <p>It was mentioned that Yvonne Cameron would like to hold a carers event with the forum.</p> | |
| <p>5.</p> | <p>Local Issues</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the shopping area within Kilsyth and the planning applications for the three new developments. It was mentioned that the shops are not convenient to get to and the concerns over the empty retail units. All details are available on the planning website. The concerns over the ownership of buildings in the main street were also discussed. It was mentioned that the members would have liked to have seen the new health centre situated within the old police station. Paul mentioned that there is nothing stopping forum members having an input into main</p> | |

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| | <p>street proposals, members agreed to write to the planning department asking for an extension.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the bus service from Kilsyth/ Banton to Hospital and Falkirk. As the timing is poor and the length of time getting to Falkirk is too long. If changes are to be made better connections are needed and for services to be better publicised. It was suggested that the forum should write to first bus explaining their concerns regarding connection times etc. At this point it was mentioned that the main discussion at the Community Forum Network meeting is community transport, where it was decided that the forum would produce a report to be submitted to Strathclyde Transport Board.</p> | |
| 6. | <p>Finance:</p> <p>£1682.50 in Bank</p> | |
| 7. | <p>Date and subject of next meetings:</p> <p>Wednesday 5th December, Kilsyth Primary School @ 7pm till 9pm.</p> <p>The Forum meet on the first Wednesday of every month except January and July.</p> | |