

**Cumbernauld Community Forum**  
**Report to Local Area Partnership**  
**January 2013**



### **Background**

This paper aims to give LAP members an update on Cumbernauld Community Forum activity over the past few weeks

### **Community Forum Update**

#### **See Me Pledge**

The Cumbernauld Community Forum in partnership with Kilsyth and villages forum and the Northern Corridor Forum are having an event on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January to sign the See Me Pledge which shows their commitment to working with NHS Lanarkshire and groups to raise awareness of Mental Health Issues.

#### **Photographic Exhibition**

The forum official launched their photographic exhibition of Cumbernauld through the ages from 1957 to 1994 in partnership with the Cumbernauld College NHS Lanarkshire and NLC. The Exhibition was officially opened by Paul Jukes Executive Director of Environmental Services who stood in at short notice for Gavin Whitefield who was ill and unable to attend.

The forum would like to update this exhibition with photographs which capture the development and key activities of the town since 1994 till present day as it is seen as a good way of recording the history of the town.

#### **Cumbernauld and District food Co-op**

The food co-op will be open for business once again over at the Muirfield Centre. For further information please contact Billy Lees

#### **New Housing at Westfield**

We recently attended the official opening of the new affordable housing developments in Westfield. We also attended the cutting of the first sod in Westfield for another 30 new houses being built on the old St Frances's School site.

### **Issues Raised**

#### **Morrisons Store**

The forum would like an update on the proposed development of the Morrisons Store in Westfield

#### **Safety Rails Campaign**

Westfield and Condorrat Community Council have joined together to campaign for safety rails to be put back onto the North Road Bridge. This was refused during the building of the new bridge. We all know that a pupil from St Maurice's High School was knocked down in a motor accident and was severely injured. Please do not let this campaign go on until we have a fatal accident.

#### **Gritting**

There have been a number of complaints by residents that secondary roads and pathways are not being cleared to allow people to get out of the homes and houses for essential shopping. Can this please be addressed

#### **New Buses**

We are still waiting on first bus producing the new buses, which we were told we were getting after the Olympic Games. This was to replace the dilapidated buses on the X3 route. These were promised by First Bus Officials at a previous forum meeting.

**Greenfaulds Orchard**

The Environmental Society and Cumbernauld Rotary have been working in partnership with a local resident to improve the orchard in Greefaulds

**Out standing Issues****Signage for the New Recycling Facility Westfield**

The Forum is pleased to see the new signage up for the Westfield Recycling Facility however could there be other signs put up from the main roundabouts to direct people to the site as this would help people coming from other areas of Cumbernauld, or Moodiesburn,.

**Vandalism in the Underpasses around the town**

Can the LAP please advise the forum of what NLC plan to do about the amount of vandalism underpasses in the town? Most of the underpasses have no proper lighting so this doesn't help the situation.

**Community Forum Meeting**

The date of the next Community Forum meeting is Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2012 at 7.00pm in Cumbernauld College

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