

Cumbernauld  
Community Forum  
Minutes

AGENDA ITEM No. 4(a)

**Date of Meeting:** 12<sup>th</sup> March 2013

**Venue:** Cumbernauld College,  
Cumbernauld

No.	Item	Action
1.	<p><b>Present:</b></p> <p>Billy Lees – Cumbernauld Community Forum (Chair)  Elizabeth Dunphy – Unemployed Workers  John M King – Etive Neighbourhood Watch  Donald Masteron – FSSE DEE  Adam Smith – Cumbernauld House Trust  Barry McComish – Condorrat Community Council  Peter Murphy – NLAP  Gerald Murphy – NLAP  Renee Lees – Westfield Pensions  R. Cadden – Westfield Community Council  Carol Robb – Carbrain Learning trust  Christine McNeil – C.W.W.G  Alan Sneddon – Cumbernauld Environmental Society  Iain Sinclair – Cumbernauld YMCA  Wilma Knox – Sanctuary Tenants Group  Bridie – Friends of CACE  Rona – friend of CACE  Jack Banks – Cumbernauld Gardening Club  CLLR Bob Chadha – NLC  David McArthur – Now Your Talking  Jim Gibson – Freedom City Church</p> <p><b>In attendance:</b></p> <p>Kirsty Gray – NLC  Lyndsay Noble - NLC  Rosalyn Griffith - NLC  Jacqueline Marshall - (Minutes) V.A.N.L.</p> <p>The Chair welcomed all members to the meeting and thanked members for attending.</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b></p> <p>Alex Clark  Jackie Cowx  Janice Crawford  Bobby Johnstone  Barney Kinsler  Gavin Cadden  May Hardy  Mike Ogden  Cllr Stephanie Muir  Cllr Elizabeth Irvine  Cllr Allan Graham  Cllr William Goldie</p>	

	Cllr Paddy Hogg	
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Chairpersons remarks:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Chair discussed the town centre's bus service and how Cumbernauld will be losing its bus depot. Chair also discussed an article which was published in The Times newspaper where it stated that public consultations have taken place, however chair mentioned that no such consultations have taken place within Cumbernauld, Kilsyth or Northern Corridor. Chair suggested that the forum should campaign against the closure of the bus depot.</li> </ol> <p>This is a whole of North Lanarkshire issues and this will be taken up by the Community Forum Network.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Chair discussed the woodland area which has been decimated by a contractor which was brought in by NLC. Adam mentioned that the Environmental Society has been in contact with NLC and have asked for copies of the impact survey.</li> <li>3. Chair updated members on the amount of complaints which have been made regarding pot holes on the roads.</li> <li>4. Chair updated members on the Diabetes group meeting in which he attended today and mentioned that the meeting was excellent. Donald discussed Hospital Passports with members which are designed for diabetics, where medication etc can be noted. Copies were distributed.</li> </ol>	
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>Minutes of the last meeting:</b></p> <p>Proposed : Adam Smith</p> <p>Seconded : Wilma Knox</p>	
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Matters Arising:</b></p> <p>David mentioned that the forum doesn't really get an opportunity to talk amongst themselves and suggested the forum should meet once a month to discuss what organisations/groups who attend the meeting do and to also discuss between members if there is anything the forum could be doing to support to groups/organisations that attend forum meetings. Billy suggested that forum could hold a conference without inviting any guest speakers.</p>	
<b>5.</b>	<p><b>Town centre Workshop:</b></p> <p>A presentation based on Cumbernauld Town Centre was shown to members by Kirsty Gray. The idea of tonight's workshop was to discuss the issues members have about Cumbernauld and to all discuss the aims and priorities of the town centre to help improve Cumbernauld. It was mentioned that all comments made will be noted and a report will be produced and circulated, will also be available on NLC website. After the presentation a discussion took place between Kirsty, Lyndsay and forum members based around</p>	

	<p>the town centre and the hand out which was distributed. Members asked Kirsty what had happened to the lighting project which still hasn't happened, Kirsty mentioned that this project remains on the tables, however it is on hold due to ownership and how discussion will have to take place with the new owners. It was mentioned that the centre is due to be sold to a new owner within the next few months. Carol asked how worth while the consultation's are. Kirsty mentioned that the feedback provided through consultations allow a report to be produced which can be presented to the new owners containing customers views and opinions. Donald suggested that it would benefit Cumbernauld if the old MacKay's outlet was turned into market stalls.</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p><b>See Me Pledge:</b></p> <p>Chair distributed a survey to members who attended the signing ceremony to complete and return.</p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p><b>Gala Day:</b></p> <p>Second meeting took place and Billy mentioned that the gala day isn't getting enough help that's required and encouraged members to attend the meeting and help out where possible. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on 8<sup>th</sup> April in Muirfield Centre at 6pm.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p><b>LAP Reports</b></p> <p>Chair mentioned that no reports have been submitted by members to be included within the LAP report. It was also mentioned that there was nothing included within the report about the town centre. A discussion took place regarding the bus services which will be removed from Cumbernauld and how this was published in a national newspaper before any consultations took place with the community. It was mentioned that Coatbridge Forum have mentioned that their bus service within the area has improved thanks to small bus companies. Rosalyn mentioned that the Forum Network have agreed to pull together information from all areas regarding bus services which will then be forwarded onto the transport commission.</p>	
<p>9.</p>	<p><b>Health Sub Group Report:</b></p> <p>Donald updated members on the meeting which took place this afternoon and mentioned that the meeting was very successful and are continuing to get information out to the community. Treatment rooms have stabilised and the hours will remain, which will be reviewed at a later stage. Donald mentioned that there will be a complete refurbishment of Monkland's Hospital and that he will be keeping a close eye on this project and report back to the forum with updates.</p>	

10.	<p><b>Group Reports/updates:</b></p> <p>AGM 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2013 in Village Hall at 7pm, update meeting on the school project. (adam)</p> <p>Friends of Cumbernauld park will be applying to Heritage Lottery for funding and will be holding its AGM on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2013 at 7pm in Cumbernauld Theatre.</p> <p>Cumbernauld Environmental Society will be holding its AGM on 11<sup>th</sup> April in Cumbernauld College at 7pm.</p>	
11.	<p><b>Youth Forum Update:</b></p> <p>No Update</p>	
12.	<p><b>Treasurer's report:</b></p> <p>£420.89 in bank £25.31 petty cash</p> <p>Forum received £1500 towards the gala day, hall lets for the gala day have been deducted, leaving a total of £1474.80.</p>	
13.	<p><b>Correspondence:</b></p> <p>The forum received three letters over and above its correspondence to which Iain read out for members consideration. The three letters were from the following; Concerned resident (Elaine Welsh) over the decimated woodland area, the forum did have a reply from Gerry Lewis. Scottish Water letter informing us about the changes to the type of waste recycling in their Cumbernauld Facility. A copy of the correspondence list will be circulated to members with the minutes.</p>	
14.	<p><b>AOCB:</b></p> <p>Carol mentioned that Yvonne Cameron (former minute taker) passes on her regards to forum members.</p>	
15.	<p><b>Date of next meeting:</b></p> <p><b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2013</b> <b>The Link Community Centre, Café Area</b> <b>7.00pm till 9.00pm</b></p>	

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2.	<p><b>Chairpersons remarks:</b></p> <p>No Remarks.</p>	
3.	<p><b>Minutes of the last meeting:</b></p> <p>Proposed : Donald Masterton</p> <p>Seconded : Adam Smith</p>	

4.	<p><b>Matters Arising:</b></p> <p>No Matters arising</p>	
5.	<p><b>Presentation: Waste Management Services, Andy</b></p> <p>Andy apologised on behalf of the waste management team for no-one attending last months forum meeting. Andy mentioned that he will be discussing some of the services in which are provided by NLC, such as blue bins etc. Andy mentioned that he wont deal with individual issues at an open meeting. Andy discussed the significant progress which has been made regarding recycling compared to 10-12 years ago. Background information was provided to members regarding the services/programmes which are provided and how such waste is managed regarding recycling. Andy spoke about the potential income generated from blue bin waste, which currently costs £30 per tonne for this waste, however Andy advised members that NLC are hoping to reduce this cost to zero. At this point Andy discussed the Anaerobic Digestion Service, and how both waste plants within Cumbernauld area do generate electricity from this system. The averaged waste income was estimated at 1 ½ tonnes, however actually receiving 3 tonnes, where eight vehicles run this service and unload approximately 3 tonnes of waste per day. Food waste services is the only service which operates 7 days, the first collection starts at 8am and the last between 5/6pm. The collection service can be contacted on 01236 403110.</p> <p>Andy updated members on the changes to staff conditions regarding holiday entitlements, staff will receive two days off at Christmas, two days off at New Year and two days off at Easter, this will be the only days in which collections won't take place. Staff do not receive enhanced rates for weekend service, all flat rates.</p> <p>At this point Andy thanked the forum for inviting him along and opened the floor to questions.</p>	
6.	<p><b>Presentation : Mental Health &amp; Wellbeing, Kevin O'Neil</b></p> <p>Kevin thanked the forum for inviting him along tonight. It was mentioned that the See Me Pledge signing ceremony was excellent and was good to see all three forums coming together and signing the pledge.</p> <p>Please find enclosed a copy of the presentation for your consideration.</p> <p>Information can be accessed via <a href="http://www.elament.org.uk">www.elament.org.uk</a></p>	
7.	<p><b>See Me Pledge:</b></p> <p>No Report</p>	

<b>8.</b>	<b>Gala Day:</b>  Chair mentioned that this is progressing slowly and looking for as much help as possible. Cllr Chadha mentioned that Cumbernauld Rotary are committed this year again.	
<b>9.</b>	<b>LAP Reports:</b>  Next meeting scheduled to take place on Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> April, in St Patricks Primary, Kilsyth @ 6pm.	
<b>10.</b>	<b>Health Sub Group Report:</b>  Donald mentioned that there has been no meetings this month, however discussed Bipolar with members and also mentioned that he will be pushing this and happy to arrange a meeting with Kevin O'Neil to discuss this.	
<b>11.</b>	<b>Group Reports/ Updates:</b>  Cumbernauld House Trust AGM taking place on ???? within the Village Hall at 7pm.  Environmental Fund AGM taking place on Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> April in Cumbernauld College at 7pm.  Scottish Wildlife Trust are starting up a Cumbernauld Living Landscape project. The official launch will take place on Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> may from 3pm till 5.30pm.  Carbrain Gala Day taking place on 17 <sup>th</sup> August.  Abronhill Gala Day taking place on 8 <sup>th</sup> June.  Carbrain Open day taking place on 13 <sup>th</sup> June.  Community Council are holding a race night on 7 <sup>th</sup> June.  Keep Calm Event taking place on 18 <sup>th</sup> May.	
<b>12.</b>	<b>Youth Forum Update:</b>  No update.	
<b>13.</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report:</b>  £420.89 in bank £25.31 petty cash  Forum received £1500 towards the gala day, hall lets for the gala day have been deducted, leaving a total of £1474.80.	

14.	<b>Correspondence:</b>  Copies of the correspondence were made available at the meeting on the night.	
15.	<b>AOCB:</b>  Jackie discussed particular issue regarding Dow Waste Management Plant, such as the smell and the amount of seagulls. It was mentioned that the fumes from the plant must be dangerous for inhaling, households are unable to open windows due to the smell from the plant. Andy discussed with members the requirements in which Waste Plant must have, such as a PPC or waste management licence. These are issued by SEPA, who regulate all waste management facilities and control what they can/cannot carry out. It was suggested that the best means of contact would be SEPA regarding these issues. Forum agreed to send a letter to SEPA regarding these issues.	
16.	<b>Date of next meeting:</b>  <b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2013</b> <b>Cumbernauld College</b> <b>7.00pm till 9.00pm</b>	