

Cumbernauld Community Forum
Report to Local Area Partnership
January 2014



Background

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

Community Forum Update

Pull out Bin Services

Residents in Westfield and other areas of Cumbernauld where there is no proper pathways need to have the pull out service retained as there is a safety issue in leaving bins lying around the parking areas.

See Me Pledge

The see me event held on the 9th October was an excellent event and the 3 forums worked well together as usual to ensure that the See Me Campaign goes from strength to strength in the north and particularly in Cumbernauld.

Gala day

Date of the next Gala Day is Saturday 12th July in and around the Town hall and Link Community Centre. The theme this year is the commemoration of WW1.

North Area Crime Prevention Panel

The Panel has been our delivering the message of personal safety by raising awareness at Asda and the Town Centre.

Cumbernauld & District food co-op

The food co-op are now working with some of the primary schools in the area and also supported the Carbrain fun day, which was held in the Link centre in December.

Local Area Team

Still working with the LAT team to deliver the Action plan

Issues Raised

Carrickstone Hospital

The forum would like NHS to explain to the LAP the reason why they are planning to pull out of their contract with Carrickstone to supply the appropriate amount of beds that the elderly residents can use while their caring needs are assessed before they return to their homes. Ongoing looking for answers

Bus Services

The forum would like to know what effect the closure of the First Bus Garage at Carbrain will have on the bus service provided to Cumbernauld. There was no consultation with the community of Cumbernauld about this closure and also the changes to bus services and time tables. We would also like to know how they will manage to get buses out to Cumbernauld in the winter if the weather is bad. The forum would like to request that First Bus attend the next LAP meeting. Update please still no buses in some areas after 6pm

Underpasses

Westfield to Collinwood, St Maurice's – Broadwood
Can the council please inspect these 2 underpasses as they are in a terrible condition and people are frightened to use them because the lights are broken? There are also issues with people using them as a place to drink which is causing anti social behaviour.

Pot Holes

Can we please have a report from the roads Department on when they are going to repairs the pot holes across Cumbernauld as some of them are now getting to a dangerous level.

Dow's Waste

Residents at the April forum meeting complained that they were have real issues with Dow's Waste in Carbrain/Greenfaulds in relation to Fires, Smell and Noise. Can the council waste management services please provide an update on what will be done about this? Can we get rid of it.

BMX Track

Why build a new one when NLC could upgrade the one that is at the site of St Maurice's. Will local people be able to afford to access the new BMX facility free of charge as it is for the one we currently have at the side of St Maurice's school.

Out standing Issues

Morrisons Store

The forum would like an update on the proposed development of the Morrison's Store in Westfield

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.

Community Forum Meeting

The date of the next Community Forum meeting is Tuesday 11th February 2014 at 7.00pm in the New College Lanarkshire (Cumbernauld Campus)

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