

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT

To: Bellshill and District Area Committee	Subject: Bellshill and District Community Forum Minute
From: Chief Executive	
Date: 28 January 1999	Ref: CE012/023/004B

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to submit the minute of the Bellshill and District Community Forum meeting of 26 November 1998 to the Area Committee. The minute is attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

2.0 Recommendation

- 2.1 Bellshill and District Area Committee is requested to note the Bellshill and District Community Forum minute.



Chief Executive

**MINUTE OF MEETING OF BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY
FORUM HELD IN BELLSHILL ACADEMY STAFFROOM ON 26 NOVEMBER
1998 AT 7.30pm**

PRESENT:

T Leggate, Elderly People's Representative;
M Walker, Churches and Religious Organisations'
Representative;
K MacPhee, West End Representative;
R McCarey, Central Area Representative;
E Davidson, West End Representative;
M Hendry, Disabled People's Representative;
M MacDonald, Central Area Representative;
D Robertson, Young People's Representative;
J McLellan, East End Representative.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor K McKeown, Area Committee Convener
J Lees, Chief Executive's Department

APOLOGIES

S Toyer; C Kennedy; I Wotherspoon; W Foy; S Rees; and,
C Crawford.

1) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Members introduced themselves since this was the first opportunity for a number of Community Forum participants to meet.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute was approved by Mr McLellan.

3) MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTE**i) Database of Community and Voluntary Organisations**

Members made a number of amendments to the database of Community and Voluntary Organisations and Miss Lees agreed to have updated copies prepared for future mailings or any community consultation to be undertaken by the Forum.

4) CONSIDERATION OF MINUTE OF MEETING OF BELLSHILL AREA COMMITTEE OF 29 OCTOBER 1998

The minute of the Area Committee meeting of 29 October 1998 was noted.

5) CONSIDERATION OF INDICATIVE AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH BY AREA COMMITTEE AT ITS NEXT MEETING

Forum members spent some considering those items of business due to be dealt with by the Area Committee at its next meeting on 10 December 1998. Clarification was sought regarding the operation of the Interim Community Grants Scheme and Miss Lees explained the application procedure.

6) COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WORK SUPPORT

Miss Lees advised the Forum that Mr Andy Moir from the Council's Social Work Department and Mr Stewart Wright from the Community Education Service would be happy to meet with the Community Forum to discuss any training requirements or support needs the Forum may find helpful. In particular, the Forum may be interested in looking at Action Planning, How to Share Information with the Wider Community, Publicity and Communications.

Forum members spent some time discussing this and whilst it was agreed that this type of training would be useful, it was suggested that as a first step it would be more beneficial for Forum members to spend some time getting to know one another.

It was further suggested that the Forum should hold an informal social evening where members could spend some time getting to know one another. This was unanimously agreed to and after discussion it was agreed that the social evening should be held on 14 January 1999. Miss Lees agreed to circulate finalised arrangements nearer the time.

7) DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 21 January 1999 at 7.30pm.