

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 16 AUGUST 2000
AT 7.00 PM IN THE CULTURAL CENTRE

Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the first full meeting of the newly formed Community Council.

Present

T Leggate, MBE, Chairman
Mrs P Bannister
Mrs A Forsyth
Mrs B N McPhee
Mrs E Williamson
D McLeod

J Lafferty
H Curran, NLC
J Gorman, NLC
H McGuigan, NLC
E McEwan, Treasurer
W Foy, Secretary

Apology

An apology was intimated on behalf of Jim Gordon.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer presented the financial statement as at 16/8/00. This included all the income and expenditure of the Street Fair excluding an account from North Lanarkshire Council for supply of road closure signs for £928.25.

The closing balance being £991.81.

Police Report

J Lafferty reported that a spotlight on 28 July covering car crime and house breaking showed a decrease from 74 incidents last year to 34 this year. In the discussion which followed several points were raised including police surveillance, incidents of verbal abuse, harassment, intimidation, civil breach and breach of tenancy.

Environment

The Secretary circulated a paper headed "Our Environment" the aim was to look at the environment in it broadest terms and how we could improve it locally. Input could be sought from various organisations, such as Shell Better Britain Campaign, West of Scotland Water, Social Inclusion Partnership and North Lanarkshire Council. This stimulated a wide ranging discussion on how we could achieve this objective. Suggestions included making a public appeal, holding a public meeting with the above mentioned groups, the formation of North Lanarkshire Community Councils and other suggestions without coming to any conclusion.

It was agreed that each member should contact the Secretary with their main issues on the subject before the next meeting.

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 20 September 2000.