

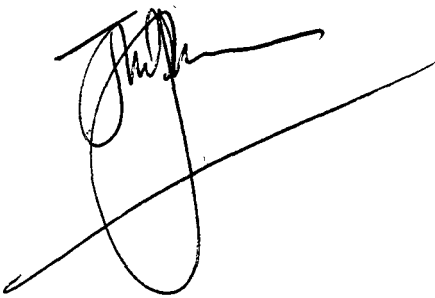
To: AIRDRIE AREA COMMITTEE	Subject: AIRDRIE AND VILLAGES COMMUNITY FORUM
From: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES	
Date: 4 APRIL 2001	

1. **PURPOSE**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to submit minutes of the Airdrie and Villages Community Forum meetings to the Area Committee. The minute of 15 January 2001 and 5 March 2001 are attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 Airdrie Area Committee is requested to note the Airdrie and Villages Community Forum minutes.

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Airdrie & Villages Community Forum

Minutes of Meeting for 15/1/2001

Members Present

J Maley Chairperson;
W.B. Lawrie, Cairnhill/Coatdyke Community Council;
Sheena Andrews
E. Watt, Greengairs/Wattson;
Anna Mc Gleish Churches
Tom Mc Farlane Gartlea Community Council
John Armstrong, Disabled;
Nancy Mc Farlane ;
E Mc Laughlan Plains Community Council.
E. Nelson, Individual;
Barbara Philiben N L C.

Apologies

James Rintoul C/ Cruix C/C
O Mc Avoy Salsburgh
H Mc Coll "
A Glen Monk/glen C/C
M Mc Pherson

Introduction and Welcome

In the absence of the chair and vice chair, T Mc Farlane was appointed to take the chair and open the meeting.

Previous Minutes

Proposed by J Armstrong
Seconded by E Watt

Area Committee Report

BP who asked if members had received notification of the Budget meeting on Tuesday the 16th Jan. Barbara said that a series of special meetings will take place from now until next spring, with a list being sent out to members.

Forward Planning

The Forum has agreed to accept the Councils invitation to send along two representatives to the Area Committee meetings, providing the Forum can select the delegates to suit each subject. Secretary to write to Director of Community Services on this matter, and to ask advice regarding funding for administration costs for the forum, It was agreed at this point that if we get funding then we should have our own Treasurer. W Lawrie, proposed E Watt, and was seconded by T Mc Farlane, E Watt accepted the position.

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To be arranged for the 30th April 2001. BP will arrange Public Notice in the local Newspaper on the 24th Jan. inviting local groups to take part. Replies to be received by February the 2nd. 2001

A.O.C.B

W Lawrie said he had written to Council leader, Mr James Mc Cabe, regarding the Airdrie War Memorial, he also complained about the length of time it takes to get a reply. He went on to ask, if the members met up with their respective organisations, and if so, they should report back to the Forum.

Two years, after T Mc Farlane, and W Lawrie, had a site meeting with Councillors, and Council officials, a new footpath has now been formed, on the south side of the South Circular Road, connecting Gartlea Rd. with Broomknoll St.

Complaints were also made about the state of the outside of the Sir John Wilson Town Hall and members felt that the surrounding area should be cleaned up.

A lengthy discussion took place on the Forums Constitution, and it was agreed any changes that were required, would be carried out at the AGM.

Meeting closed at 9pm.
Next meeting 5th February,
Same Time Same Venue.

Airdrie & Villages Community Forum

**Minutes of meeting, held in the Community Education Centre, Clark St. Airdrie.
On the, 5/3/2001, at 7pm.**

Members Present

J. Maley, chair. T. Mc Farlane, O. McAvoy, E Watt, J. Davidson, E. Nelson,
W, Lawrie, E, Mc Laughlan. N. Mc Farlane, B. Phillibin, N.L.C.

Introduction & Welcome

Chairperson J. Maley opened the meeting and explained, that as the membership attendance had fallen, to allow the meetings to go ahead, the quorum would have to be adjusted accordingly, a figure of nine was then agreed by the members.

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on the 15/1/2001.
Proposed by E. Watt, and seconded by W. Lawrie,
No Minutes for meeting on the 5/2/2001 as this was inquorate.

Area Committee Report

The meeting of the Area Committee, for the 27/2/2001 was cancelled, due to adverse weather, no new date has been given as yet, for this to go ahead.
The forum members agreed that J. Maley, and N. Pettigrew, would be the two representatives to the next area committee meeting.

Correspondence

A letter has been received from the Rev. Tom Pollock, tendering his resignation, following a decision by the committee, to contact all members, who have missed three, or more meetings, reminding them of the paragraph of the constitution on attendance, this was the only reply.

Business

W. Lawrie, has received a reply regarding the War Memorial, and he has been told that the word UP will be removed.

E. Watt, inquired as to what powers the forum has.

O. Mc Avoy, asked if the N.L.C. could provide information as to the number of Mobile Telephone masts and where they are situated, within ~~this forum's area~~, and if the council has the appropriate expertise to test them.

A discussion on the increase of Council Tax and Rents then ensued. The forum will Put questions on Finance, to the April Area Committee meeting, and any other relevant points that may occur...

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Points were raised as to the constitution.

Members requested that paper work, and agenda, be sent to them before each area meeting.

A.O.C.B.

E.Mc Laughlan, stated that some of the slabs in the Town Centre needed attention.

W. Lawrie, said he had been told that the Anderson St, ladies toilets are to be reopened, he also commented, on the downturn in lets of the Sir John Wilson Town Hall, and said that this could be due to the fact that the Council caterers had to used at any functions.

Questions were raised on snow clearing, and gritting, or the lack of it, in the more rural areas, is there no contract between N.L.C. and the local farmers, as there was in the past, with the old S.R.C.

Meeting closed at 9pm

NEXT MEETING

Change of venue April 2nd 7pm ROOM 5 Chapelside Centre
Waddell Street
Airdrie.