

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT

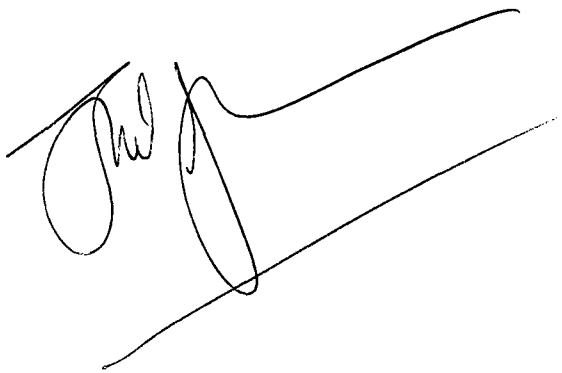
<p>To: BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE</p>	<p>Subject : BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM</p>
<p>From: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES</p>	
<p>Date: 21 JANUARY 2004</p>	<p>Ref: BP/PW</p>

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to submit the minute of the Bellshill and District Community Forum meeting to the Area Committee. The minute of Thursday 22 January 2004 is attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

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



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BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING

THURSDAY 22ND JANUARY 2004

JOHN STREET COMMUNITY CENTRE 7.00PM

In Attendance: John Gilmour, Margaret MacDonald, Mary Hendry, Councillor Joe Gorman
Tom Leggate Chairperson, Michael Glancy, Michele Battersby SCL&DW

Apologies: Agnes Green, Gary Williams YMCA, (letter of resignation received)

Distribution: Committee Members, Pam Wedlock

ITEM	MINUTE	ACTION
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1. **Minutes of last Meeting** Approved

2. **Matters Arising**

Youth Survey

Michele and youth workers surveyed the local youth in New Stevenston, Holytown and Carfin. 250 young people participated over 7 nights. They had lots of ideas about what they would like to do and where they would like to go.

She organised 2 Fun Days in Dec with 66 attending in Taylor HS & 55 in Brannock HS. She has lettered the parents of pupils P4 –P7 in St Patrick's P and New Stevenston PS regarding starting a youth club in April/June. She also visited St Gerard's youth club which is very well run mainly by volunteers and the children enjoy it.

Cllr Gorman would like schools that are lying empty to be used for young people. He would like to utilise every facility available.

Graffiti

The North Road has not yet been cleaned. Michele contacted the Council and they didn't have a report on it. If the graffiti is racist or sectarian it will be removed within 24 hrs.

Footpath

A few bits have been cleared up. The only one not done is the lane leading to Holm Gardens

Cllr Gorman will take a look

Development of Roads and Congestion

There is a Area Committee meeting in 2 weeks. Cllr Gorman has invited the Director of Planning to the meeting to answer questions.

A.O.C.B.

Hattonrigg objections have been cleared and people are starting to move in to the houses on the new estate.

3. **New Clinic – Mossend**

Cllr Gorman has been pursuing this issue for a long time and has spoken to the Health Minister as houses could have been built instead. Property Services have negotiated the price of the ground & will bring in the developers to get the building started. Unofficially is definitely going ahead some time this year. There are no objections to using Bruce Medical Centre car park.

4. **New Roundabout – Unthank Road**

The roundabout at Unthank Road will be started before the end of the financial year. There will be 36 units mostly 1 & 2 bedrooms and 7 shops. The council will have 50% allocation and should be able to free some of the bigger houses. The houses will have thermal heating which will lower costs. Cllr Gorman showed plans for the new development which should start in May/June and be finished by the end of the year.

5. **Information of Presentation from Primary Health Care**

Craig Cunningham is doing a presentation at the next area committee meeting. The new clinic should be a modern state of the art building with sophisticated equipment including X-ray equipment. There will be a consultant at clinic and people will be able to go there instead of hospital. Mary Hendry let the group know that there is a meeting on the 10th Feb in the Glo Centre in Motherwell to let people know where to go in case of emergency. Cllr Gorman spoke to Dr Park about where people will go to for out of hours medical care when the new body takes over. He also asked about getting a dentist in the medical centre and nearly all dentists have stairs and are not wheelchair friendly.

6. **Financial Statement**

	Income		Exp	
Bal as at 1 st April	£755.42		Seminar	£75.00
Int	£ 26.64		Let	£ 9.00
Bal	£698.06			

Tom complained about the quality of the seminar and got a £25 rebate.

The committee have been awarded £750 from Community Forum Grant. If any of the committee have any suggestions as to what the money can be used for can they let Michele know.

7. **A.O.C.B**

Margaret asked Cllr Gorman about transport to Eurocentral, as there are lots of jobs there for young people but they don't have the transport to get there.

Tenants Association Jewel Scheme – Michael asked about the warden positions going to people outwith the area and felt the recruitment policy should employ people from their own area.

8. **Date of Next Meeting**

Thursday 18th March 2004. 7.00pm in John St Community Centre.