

**Newarthill Community Education Centre, High Street, Newarthill,
5 February 2004 at 7 pm.**

A Meeting of the **BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE**

PRESENT

Councillor Gorman (Convener); Councillors J. Coyle, Lafferty, H. McGuigan, McKeown and Saunders.

CHAIR

Councillor Gorman (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Principal Administrative Officer, Department of Administration; Senior Community Planning/Partnership Officer, Chief Executive's Office; Open Spaces and Cemeteries Manager (Area Team Leader), Area Manager, (Community Learning and Development) and Senior Community Learning and Development Worker, Department of Community Services; Director of Finance; Area Housing Manager, Department of Housing and Property Services, and Director of Planning and Environment; and Team Leader, Traffic and Transportation, Department of Planning and Environment.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Craig Cunningham, General Manager, Local Health Care Co-operative, Inspector Jane Black, Strathclyde Police, and Mr. W. Foy and Mr. T. Leggate, Bellshill and District Community Forum Representatives.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Burrows, Curran, Lyle and McCabe

**BUDGET CONSULTATION - SETTING OF THE COUNCIL TAX AND THE GENERAL REVENUE
BUDGET FOR 2004/2005**

1. The Director of Finance provided a presentation on the Council's budget process and (1) referred, inter alia, to (a) the Council's current three year financial strategy which would form the basis of the budget for 2004/2005 and the level of Council Tax set in North Lanarkshire; (b) the revenue estimates and draft budget proposals which reflected the three year financial plan; (c) the Council's income and expenditure position for 2004/2005 which included proposals for efficiency savings to fund areas of growth in service provision, and (d) the Council meeting scheduled for 12 February 2004 to set spending plans and Council Tax levels for 2004/2005, and (2) sought the views of the community representatives on the possible growth priorities and efficiency savings.

Thereon, the Director of Finance responded to questions by Elected Members and community representatives.

Decided: that the Director of Finance be thanked for his presentation, and that the presentation be noted.

HEALTH ISSUES IN BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT

2. The Convener welcomed to the meeting Mr. Craig Cunningham, General Manager of Lanarkshire Local Health Care Co-operative who gave a presentation on health issues in the Bellshill and District area.

Mr. Cunningham (1) referred in particular to (a) the current position of the Bellshill Clinic, and (b) the proposals for the new Bellshill Clinic, and (2) commented on the major health issues affecting the Bellshill and District area.

After a question and answer session, the Convener thanked Mr. Cunningham for his informative presentation.

Decided: that the presentation be noted.

DEVELOPING THE ROLE OF AREA COMMITTEES

3. With reference to paragraph 9 of the Minute of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 25 November 2003, when that Committee, having considered a report dated 10 October 2003 by the Chief Executive, had agreed (1) that the proposals to enhance the future role of Area Committees, as set out in Section 3 of the report, be approved; (2) that it be recommended to the Council (a) that the Area Committees report direct to the Policy and Resources Committee, and (b) that the membership of the Policy and Resources Committee be reviewed to reflect the change; (3) that the necessary changes to the Scheme of Administration and Council Standing Orders be progressed, and (4) that it be noted that a further report on support arrangements for Area Committees will be submitted to the next meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee for consideration as part of next year's budget setting exercise, there was submitted thereon the report dated 10 October 2003 by the Chief Executive..

Decided: that the terms of the report be noted.

BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE - MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON 20 NOVEMBER 2003

4. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Bellshill and District Area Committee held on 20 November 2003.

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES - BELLSHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

5. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of the Bellshill Community Council held on 19 November and 17 December 2003.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

COMMUNITY FORUM - UPDATE

6. There was submitted a report dated 21 January 2004 by the Director of Community Services (1) advising that the Bellshill and District Community Forum had held its most recent meeting on 22 January 2004, and (2) enclosing as an attachment to the report, the Minute of that meeting.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

GOOD NEWS

7. There was submitted a report dated 21 January 2004 by the Director of Community Services advising of various "Good News" stories within the Department of Community Services.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

(1) CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR HOMOLOGATION

8. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 20 November 2003, there was submitted a report dated 7 January 2004 by the Director of Community Services detailing Community Grant applications of an urgent nature authorised by the Director of Community Services in consultation with the Convener and appropriate Elected Member(s).

Decided: that the action taken by the Director of Community Services in consultation with the Convener and the appropriate Elected Member(s), to award Community Grants, as detailed in Annex 1 to this Minute, be homologated.

(2) CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS

9. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 20 November 2003, there was submitted a report dated 7 January 2004 by the Director of Community Services detailing Community Grant applications covering more than one Area Committee area, together with continued applications and new applications specific to this Committee.

Decided: that subject to the receipt of any outstanding information, applications for Community Grants be dealt with in accordance with Annex 2 to this Minute.

BELLSHILL TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN

10. With reference to paragraphs 9 and 6 of the Minutes of the meetings of this Committee held respectively on 18 September and 20 November 2003, the Director of Planning and Environment provided a presentation on the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan.

The Director (1) referred to the background to the proposals leading up to the preferred option for the Bellshill Town Centre, developed by the Council's Transportation Team and approved by the Planning and Environment Committee; (2) commented on the benefits of the preferred option on Main Street and in the Town Centre generally which would include an increase in the capacity of the congested North Road/Gartcosh Walk roundabout, and would address road safety and access issues in Orbiston and Locket Yett; (3) advised on the current position regarding the Action Plan, and (4) intimated the current timescale for key actions to be taken for a site start on the first roundabout in December 2004.

After a question and answer session, the Convener thanked the Director of Planning and Environment for his informative presentation.

Decided: that the presentation be noted.

ANNEX 1

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS

**(1) APPLICATIONS COVERING MORE THAN ONE AREA COMMITTEE BOUNDARY -
CONTINUED APPLICATIONS**

Group/Grant Requested	Purpose of Application	Decision
Motherwell District Childminding Group, Motherwell (ALL:CG03/04-371) - £700 (previously awarded £180)	To assist with the cost of a Christmas party for all minded children in the area	Nil award
Airdrie Service Club, Airdrie (ALL:CG03/04-375) - £1,000 (previously awarded £165)	To assist with the annual pensioners treat, ie. meal, cabaret show and refreshments	Nil award

**(2) APPLICATIONS SPECIFIC TO BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE -
CONTINUED APPLICATIONS**

Group/Grant Requested	Purpose of Application	Decision
Clay Road Sheltered Housing Complex Social Fund, Bellshill (CG03/04-417) - £300	To assist with the cost of Christmas dinner and concert for tenants	Grant £300
The Sunshine Club, Holytown (CG03/04-418) - £250	To assist with the cost of a show and meal for members	Grant £150
Fallside Elderly Forum, Uddingston (CG03/04-419) - £250	To assist with the cost of Christmas dinner and social evening	Grant £250
Tannochside Information Advice Centre, Uddingston (CG03/04-449) - £550	To assist with the cost of a Christmas outing for volunteers, management, committee members and volunteer advisors	Grant £550
St. Columba's Viewpark SVDP, Viewpark (CG03/04-454) - £900	To assist with the cost of Christmas lunch for senior citizens and handicapped people	Grant £700
St. John the Baptist Conference SVDP, Uddingston (CG03/04-455) - £275	To assist with the cost of dinner and entertainment for pensioners of the parish	Grant £275

ANNEX 2

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS

(1) APPLICATIONS COVERING MORE THAN ONE AREA COMMITTEE BOUNDARY

(a) CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

Group/Grant Requested	Purpose of Application	Decision
The Scots Boxing Hall of Fame, Viewpark (ALL:CG03/04-148) - £1,760 (previously awarded £230)	To assist with the purchase of exhibition panels, transport costs, promotional leaflets and posters, storage boxes, a banner and website set up costs	Continue for further consideration
Mossend Bowling Club, Mossend (ALL:CG03/04-234) - £2,000 (previously awarded £170)	To assist with the cost of refurbishing changing and players storage and equipment rooms, renewing asbestos roofing, paving and fencing and sprinkler system for greens	Nil award
1st New Stevenston Girls Brigade, New Stevenston (ALL:CG03/04-238) - £600 (previously awarded £250)	To assist with the cost of fees, projects, equipment and Christmas party	Nil award
Calder Church Nearly New Club, Coatbridge (ALL:CG03/04-239) - £750 (previously awarded £100)	To assist with the cost of a trip to Aviemore, and high tea	Nil award
The Dove Association, Cumbernauld (ALL:CG03/04-244) - £2,000 (previously awarded £390)	To assist with the purchase of carpet bowls and carpet, bingo machine, computer software and musical instruments	Nil award
Jerviston Boys Club 11s, Motherwell (ALL:CG03/04-370) - £1,000 (previously awarded £50)	To assist with transport costs to a football tournament in North Wales	Nil award
Motherwell District Childminding Group, Motherwell (ALL:CG03/04-371) - £700 (previously awarded £330)	To assist with the cost of a Christmas party for all minded children in the area	Nil award
Airdrie Service Club, Airdrie (ALL:CG03/04-375) - £1,000 (previously awarded £205)	To assist with the annual pensioners treat i.e. meal, cabaret show and refreshments	Nil award
Palacerigg Field Archers, Cumbernauld (ALL:CG03/04-380) - £1,027 (previously awarded £595)	To assist with the purchase of new archery equipment	Nil award
Cleland Parish Church Choir, Cleland (ALL:CG03/04-395) - £100 (previously awarded £75)	To assist with the cost of travel expenses and choir mistress expenses	Nil award

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Radio Heartbeat (Hospital Radio), Airdrie (ALL:CG03/04-406) - £2,000 (previously awarded £1,030)	To assist with the purchase of mini disc players, outside broadcast equipment and jingles package	Nil award
Dalziel Rugby Midi Tourers, Motherwell (ALL:CG03/04-408) - £1,200 (previously awarded £575)	To assist with the costs of travel and accommodation to take part in a tournament	Nil award
Disease Prevention Organisation, Stonehouse (ALL:CG03/04-409) - £2,000	To assist with the cost of dissemination of health information in schools	Nil award

(b) NEW APPLICATIONS

Group/Grant Requested	Purpose of Application	Decision
Lanarkshire Deaf Club, Motherwell (ALL:CG03/04-457) - £800	To assist with start-up and running costs, hall let and administration charges	Grant £165 and continue for further consideration
North Lanarkshire Disability Forum, Motherwell (ALL:CG03/04-458) - £2,000	To assist with running costs and volunteers expenses	Grant £290 and continue for further consideration
Cleland Parish Church Choir, Cleland (ALL:CG03/04-459)-£200	To assist with the purchase of music, paper, folders and hymn books	Continue for further consideration
Lanarkshire Darts Association, Coatbridge (ALL:CG03/04-460) - £2,000	To assist with transport costs, purchasing and maintenance of electrical equipment, purchase new county shirts, printing costs, advertising and travel expenses	Continue for further consideration
Wishaw Colts FC, Wishaw (ALL:CG03/04-461) - £500	To assist with the purchase of football strips and general running costs	Nil award
Blantyre Volunteer Group, Blantyre (ALL:CG03/04-462) - £2,000	To assist with the purchase of a wheelchair accessible mini-bus	Continue for further consideration
Bellshill Salvation Army Band, Bellshill (ALL:CG03/04-463) - £2,000	To assist with the cost of recording a CD	Grant £590 and continue for further consideration
Scottish National Cinema Museum and Academy of Vision, Sound and Image, Larkhall (ALL:CG03/04-464) - £400	To assist with the purchase of stationery, archive material, equipment, administration and publicity costs	Continue for further consideration
Trio Stage Academy, Viewpark (ALL:CG03/04-465) - £2,000	To assist with the cost of travel and accommodation for children performing at the London Palladium	Continue for further consideration
15th Motherwell Boys Brigade, Newarthill (ALL:CG03/04-508) - £1,500	To assist with the cost of purchasing computer equipment and accessories	Grant £300

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Newarthill Amateur Boxing and Fitness Club, Newarthill (ALL:CG03/04-512) - £1,500	To assist with the cost of purchasing a boxing ring	Grant £425
Cheeky Monkeys Carer and Toddler Group, Newarthill (ALL:CG03/04-513) - £1,500	To assist with the cost of purchasing equipment, materials, outings and parties	Grant £300 and continue for further consideration
RECAP - Recycling Emergency Community Action Plan, Cumbernauld (ALL:CG03/04-519) - £2,000	To assist with the cost of purchasing equipment and administration and training costs	Continue for further consideration

(2) APPLICATIONS COVERING BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE

(a) CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

Group/Grant Requested	Purpose of Application	Decision
Bellshill Salvation Army Home League, Bellshill (CG03/04-251) - £700 (previously awarded £300)	To assist with the cost of Christmas dinner and parcels	Grant £30
Neilson Hall Men's Fellowship, Bellshill (CG03/04-340) - £500 (previously awarded £320)	To assist with the cost of Christmas dinner and annual outing	Nil Award
Holy Family PTA, Mossend (CG03/04-341) - £1,000 (previously awarded £650)	To assist with the cost of sending children to an outdoor residential centre	Grant £50
Rock Solid Club, Bellshill (CG03/04-411) - £1,958.91 (previously awarded £200)	To assist with the purchase of amp, desk, radio system, microphone stands and guitar	Grant £50
Mossend Senior Citizens Day Centre, Mossend (CG03/04-420) - £600	To assist with the cost of Christmas dinner and social activities	Grant £600

(b) NEW APPLICATIONS

Group/Grant Requested	Purpose of Application	Decision
Bujin Karate Club, Uddingston (CG03/04-467) - £400	To assist with the purchase of training equipment	Grant £400
Health and Fitness Class, Holytown (CG03/04-468) - £250	To assist with the cost of a social evening	Continue for further consideration
Bellshill and Mossend Bowling Club, Bellshill (CG03/04-469) - £1,000	To assist with redecoration of club house and cost of 125th Anniversary celebration event	Grant £600
Lodge St. Enoch No.1288, Tannochside (CG03/04-470) - £950	To assist with pensioners treat eg dinner, refreshments, entertainment and transport	Grant £700 and continue for further consideration

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Orbiston Bowling Club, Bellshill (CG03/04-501) - £300	To assist with the cost of a meal and entertainment for a Burns Supper event	Continue for further consideration
Thorniewood Credit Union, Viewpark (CG03/04-502) - £300	To assist with the cost of hall hire, catering, refreshments and printing for 10th anniversary celebrations	Grant £300
Bairdsland View Residents Committee, Bellshill (CG03/04-516) - £229	To assist with the hire of premises, cost of stationery, hospitality and public liability insurance	Grant £200
Noble Primary School Board, Bellshill (CG03/04-517) - £2,000	To assist with travel costs for excursions	Grant £400