

AGENDA ITEM No. 3.

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 17th March 2004 at 7:00pm in the Library of Bellshill Academy

WELCOME

The Vice-Chairman, D McLeod welcomed everyone to the March meeting.

PRESENT

D McLeod Vice Chairman	J Gordon Strathclyde Police
P Bannister	E McEwan Treasurer
A Forsyth	W Foy Secretary
E Williamson	

Rosalyn Griffith – The Wise Group & Reema Road Recycling Project

APOLOGIES

Apologies were intimated on behalf of T Leggate, B McPhee and councillor J Gorman.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on the motion of P Bannister and A Forsyth.

POLICE REPORT

J Gordon reported crime stats since the last meeting have continued a downward trend, with break-ins to garden sheds and vehicles showing a slight increase. March has been selected to run an initiative on Women's Safety. A no crime day is planned for Bellshill for 15th April including High Visibility Policing to Prevention Displays. The problem of the misuse of the path at Warnock Crescent was raised.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer circulated his monthly statement, which showed a credit balance of £4775.34. He also intimated the Year-End Audit for 2003/2004 was due by 31.3.04.

REEMA ROAD RE-CYCLING PROJECT

The Chairman introduced Rosalyn Griffith, Project Supervisor. Rosalyn's comprehensive presentation gave an update of the project, which included the use of brown bins and blue bins, the use of slogans such as Reduce-Reuse-Recycle helped meet the environmental targets. A healthy discussion followed and Rosalyn was congratulated on her presentation.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL QUADRENNAIL ELECTIONS

The date of these elections is 18th October 2004. It was proposed to hold an event to highlight the work of the Community Council and encourage new members. It was agreed that this event take place in the Exhibition Area of Bellshill Cultural Centre on Wednesday 21st April from 2:00pm to 8:00pm. It was agreed that J Gordon should purchase the necessary gifts of handouts at a cost of approximately £500. It was agreed that the Secretary should produce a rota for members to be in attendance. It was also agreed that to hold the regular monthly meeting on that date. It was suggested that the four year election period should be marked in some way, it was agreed that we consider the suggestion.

AOCB COMMUNITY WARDEN SCHEME

The Secretary intimated that he had attended a seminar on the proposed Community Warden Scheme due to come into operation soon.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following items of correspondence were presented, licensing houses in multiple occupation, North Lanarkshire Biodiversity Forum, Freedom of Information- Scottish Executive, SCVO Telephone Scheme.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 21st April in the Exhibition Area of the Cultural Centre.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21st APRIL 2004 at 7pm
IN THE STAFF ROOM OF BELLSHILL ACADEMY

WELCOME

The Chairman T Leggate welcomed everyone to the April meeting

PRESENT

T Leggate MBE Chairman

P Bannister

A Forsyth

E Williamson

B N McPhee

D McLeod

T Taylor

W Foy Secretary

E McEwan Treasurer

P Calder

APOLOGIES

Apologies were intimated on behalf of J Gordon and J Gorman

POLICE REPORT

The Community Council Day at the Cultural Centre has been prepared for, with a PowerPoint presentation and leaflet and pencil and ruler give aways giving the message; "Bellshill Community Council – Putting the Unity Back into the Community and They Care, Do You!"

The Crimestop day on the 15th April went well with the traffic dept. checking 15,000 vehicles on number recognition. 5 crimes were committed, 3 of which were detected, and approximately 15 people were arrested on outstanding warrants. Partner agencies such as DVLA clamped 12 vehicles for excise offences. The Crime Prevention Caravan was well attended.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer reported that the balance at the end of the Financial Year, 31st March 2004 was £4804.45.

STREET FAIR

The Secretary reported arrangements had been made for the Road Closure, the erection of Road Diversion signs and the hire of the Bellshill Cultural Centre.

The Provost has been invited to open the Street Fair.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Secretary presented the following items of correspondence ASCC, ACTM 12 June 2004 in Stirling, Street Smart – Community Services, Mono Consultants Ltd, North Lanarkshire Bio Diversity Forum, Senior Environmental Health Officer, Repair and Maintenance Procedural Discussion Group.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 19th May 2004