

**Minutes of the meeting held on  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2008  
Bellshill Academy Staff Room**

**Welcome**

The chairman Tom Leggate welcomed all to the meeting.

**Present**

Tom Leggate Chairman, W Baker, Joe Gorman, Ray Mitchell, A Forsyth, Tom Taylor Treasurer, E Williamson, A Wylie Police, D McLeod secretary

**Apologies**

P Bannister

**Minutes** The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion by W Baker and seconded by A Forsyth.

**Business Arising** None

**Police Report** Given by Alan Wylie (Police)

Over the last few weeks licensed grocers have been targets by test purchasing teams, in Bellshill 4 have been tested and all passed. Alan also mentioned of the increase in beat officers and this has proved successful. Crime in the area is currently steady but is still the lowest in the area. There have been a few school break-ins and there have been some success with arrests, Alan has been in consultation with NLC to highlight vulnerable areas within schools and these have been agreed to be rectified. A question was asked with reference to parking in Hamilton Road and Main Street, which is getting heavier. Alan stated that a new traffic warden will be in place next week

**Treasurers Report** Hand written balance sheet was presented which left a healthy balance.

**Correspondence**

Letter from Councillor James Coyle Michael McMahan MSP and Graham McKay from roads and transportation department in reference to a pedestrian crossing on John Street adjacent to Morrison's  
Planning application sheets

**AOCB**

Joe Gorman asked if there is any way that the alcohol problem where youngsters are gathering consuming alcohol and then making a nuisance of themselves. Can we as a Community Council ask for help from our MSP's and get some legislation put into place to combat this issue. The quality of life for home owners is being effected. A general discussion then took place and the secretary was asked to contact Michael McMahan on this issue.

Joe Gorman then asked if there was any parking places in the layout for Bellshill for taxi owners, the secretary was asked to put this question to Michael McMahan for some guidance.

Duncan McLeod then brought forward this years Street Fair, he asked who would we as a committee would like to invite to open the same, John Boyle former owner of Motherwell FC was put forward, Duncan McLeod to arrange this before the next meeting. The secretary mentioned that he has contacted all people that assisted us last year and will put something into the Bellshill Speaker for next week.

As this completed all the business of tonight's meeting the secretary moved a vote of thanks to the chair until the next meeting.

**Next Meeting.**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2008 within Bellshill Academy staff room.

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**Apologies**

Alan Wylie Police, Jensen Connelly.

**Minutes** The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion by E Williamson and seconded by A Forsyth.

**Business Arising**

At the last meeting a number of issues were raised by Joe Gorman the secretary informed the meeting that he has lettered the appropriate personnel but no answers have been forthcoming.

**Police Report** Given by D McLeod in the absence of Alan Wylie

The report stated that there have been successes in regards to thefts in the sub-division two local youths were caught breaking into Cardinal Newman High School and have been reported to the Procurator fiscal. A series of house breakings in Newstevenston Newarthill area, 5 male have been reported to the procurator fiscals office. The blue light disco was held on Saturday 16 February but only 33 youngsters turned up, the committee will have a debriefing meeting on the issues.

**Treasurers Report** Tom Taylor gave a verbal report stating that the finances are currently healthy.

**Correspondence**

Planning application sheets were made available for the meeting.

Letter from Willie Foy indicating that he has taken care of the financial issue that he brought forward at the AGM. This matter was now deemed closed.

Copy of NLC draft core plan was made available for the members. D McLeod to sent back a response on behalf of the members.

CVS money matters newsletter

CVS training programme.

CVS January newsletter

SCVO communications in changes to membership fees (no change to our community council)

Invitation from Kilsyth Community Council to their snowdrop festival from 23<sup>rd</sup> February to 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Living in Lanarkshire booklet

Letter of acceptance for road closure for our street fair

Letter accepting our invitation to open our street fair from Provost Tom Curley

Letter of apology for tonight's meeting from Jensen Connelly

**AOCB**

The Chairman then brought forward a complaint from the residents of Hattonrigg Road (Hospital Road) regarding the traffic approaching the roundabout at the bottom of the North Road. There was an incident where a lorry failed to traverse this roundabout and collided with the gardens of the flats

on Hattonrigg Road. Tom asked the secretary to contact the roads department on this issue along with the relevant councillors.

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**Next Meeting.**

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