

AGENDA ITEM No.3.....
**SPECIAL BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP –
8 September 2008**

Bellshill Cultural Centre, Bellshill, 8 September 2008 at 2 pm.

A Special Meeting of the **BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP**

PRESENT

Councillor Lyle, Convener; Councillors Burrows, Curran, Delaney, H. McGuigan, McKeown and McShannon, North Lanarkshire Council; Thomas Leggate, Bellshill and District Community Forum, and Angus McPhail, Strathclyde Police.

CHAIR

Councillor Lyle (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

M. Shankland (Committee and Civic Governance Services), Corporate Services; Pauline Nicholas, Senior Local Regeneration Manager, Chief Executive's Officer; S. Penman, Senior Planning Officer, T. Peebles, Traffic and Transportation Team Leader and S. Gentles, Traffic Projects Technician, Environmental Services.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Coyle and McCabe and C. Shaw, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

1. No declarations were made.

THE BELLSHILL TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN OPTION 8 – PROPOSED WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS

2. With reference to paragraph 12 of the Minute of the meeting of this Partnership held on 14 August 2008, when it was recommended that consideration of all aspects of the Traffic Management proposals for Bellshill Town Centre be continued to a special meeting of this Partnership, to which all interested parties would be invited, the Partnership then heard (1) Councillor Lyle invite interested parties to convey to the Partnership any concerns which have arisen as a result of the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan, and (2) Tom Peebles, Traffic and Transportation Team Leader outline the proposals for the Town Centre Action Plan works.

Thereon, the Partnership heard a number of concerns which had arisen, with particular reference to the requirement for traffic calming measures at Belvidere Primary School, together with the submission of a petition for the replacement of School Crossing Patrols on Motherwell Road, Taxi Ranks on Emma Jay Road, Glebe Street and Motherwell Road, general parking in Glebe Street and the access for emergency vehicles, loading and parking at various premises in Main Street, traffic and signage on Crossgates, disabled parking, public transport and the implications for the local traders.

The Partnership then heard Councillors Delaney, Curran, H. McGuigan and McKeown speak in respect of the proposals and the concerns raised.

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Decided: that it be recommended to the Area Committee

- (1) that all the issues raised be considered by the Executive Director of Environmental Services, and
- (2) that a further meeting be arranged in the evening to facilitate wider consultation.

Bellshill, 8 September 2008 at 3.15 pm.

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

PRESENT

Councillor Lyle, Convener; Councillors Curran, Delaney, H. McGuigan and McKeown.

CHAIR

Councillor Lyle (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services), Corporate Services; Senior Local Regeneration Manager, Chief Executive's Office, and Senior Planning Officer, Traffic and Transportation Team Leader and Traffic Projects Technician, Environmental Services.

APOLOGIES

Councillors J. Coyle and McCabe

1. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000**

Decided: the meeting noted that there were no declarations of interest.

2. **CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 8 SEPTEMBER 2008**

The Committee gave consideration to the recommendations made by the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership at its special meeting held on 8 September 2008 and agreed the following:-

THE BELLSHILL TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN OPTION 8 – PROPOSED WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS

Decided:

- (1) that all the issues raised be considered by the Executive Director of Environmental Services, and
- (2) that a further meeting be arranged in the evening to facilitate wider consultation.

Bellshill Cultural Centre, John Street, Bellshill, 9 October 2008 at 2 pm.

A Meeting of the **BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP**

PRESENT

Councillor Lyle, Convener; Councillors Burrows, Curran, Delaney, H. McGuigan and McKeown, North Lanarkshire Council; Walter Baker and Thomas Leggate, Bellshill and District Community Forum; Sandra MacInnes, NHS Lanarkshire and Angus McPhail and David Leitch, Strathclyde Police.

CHAIR

Councillor Lyle (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

Jean Anne McIlwain, Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services), Corporate Services; Sandie MacKay, Community Regeneration Manager, Chief Executive's Office; Shirley Penman, Senior Planning Officer, and Les Stevenson, Ravenscraig Project Manager, Environmental Services; Alison Clarke, Area Housing Manager and Laura O'Neil, Mediation Co-ordinator, Housing and Social Work Services and Joe McAvoy, Quality Improvement Manager, Learning and Leisure Services.

APOLOGIES

Councillor McCabe, North Lanarkshire Council; Tom Bryce, NHS, Lanarkshire and Craig Shaw, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

1. The Partnership noted that there were no declarations of interest.

BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP/AREA COMMITTEE - MINUTE

2. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership and Area Committee held on 14 August 2008.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

COMMUNITY POLICING MODEL - PRESENTATION

3. Superintendent Leitch gave a brief presentation on the new community policing unit in North Lanarkshire and provided details of:-
 - the new vision for community policing;
 - the shift in emphasis towards law enforcement;
 - the tasking and co-ordinating approach, and

- the structure of the new Community Policing Unit which showed an increased number of community police officers.

Thereafter Superintendent Leitch responded to Members' questions.

Decided: that the terms of the presentation be noted.

BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM – UPDATE

4. The Partnership noted that, on this occasion, there was no report by the Bellshill and District Community Forum.

Thereon, Sandie MacKay, Community Regeneration Manager, advised that Shona McConnell had recently taken up her post of Community Engagement Officer for the Bellshill and District area.

Decided: that the position be noted.

NHS LANARKSHIRE - NORTH COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP - BELLSHILL LOCALITY

5. There was submitted a report dated September 2008 by Tom Bryce, General Manager, NHS Lanarkshire advising that the new Community Health Clinic was planned to open in mid November 2008 and highlighting recent health improvement activity within the Bellshill locality.

Thereon, Sandra MacInnes, NHS Lanarkshire, then highlighted the main points of the report and responded to Members' questions.

Decided: that the content of the report be noted.

COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

6. There was submitted a joint report (docketed) dated 9 October 2008 by Housing and Social Work Services, Strathclyde Police and Strathclyde Fire and Rescue (1) advising of initiatives and measures taken to minimise the levels of crime within the Bellshill and District area, and (2) providing statistical information in respect of the three partners.

Thereon, the Partnership heard Angus McPhail, Strathclyde Police and Laura O'Neil, Mediation Co-ordinator, in supplement to the report and in response to Members' questions.

Decided: that the content of the report be noted.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

7. With reference to paragraph 10 of the Minute of the meeting of the Partnership held on 14 August 2008, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 12 September 2008 by the Head of Planning and Development (1) advising of the progress made in relation to the projects contained within the Local Development Programme for 2008/2009, and (2) pointing out that the 2009/2010 Programme would be compiled in early 2009 to enable approval to be sought from the Partnership at the meeting to be held in February 2009.

Thereon, Shirley Penman, Senior Planning Officer, advised that there was no scope for the inclusion of further projects within this year's Local Development Programme although any further projects would be considered for inclusion in the 2009/2010 Programme.

Thereafter, Councillor McKeown sought clarification of the position regarding the regeneration of the King George V Park, Mossend.

Decided: that it be recommended

- (1) that the projects listed in the Appendix to the report be progressed by the Executive Director of Environmental Services through the Local Development Programme;
- (2) that the progress in delivering the projects or alterations to the Programme be reported to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership, and
- (3) that a report on the regeneration of the King George V Park, Mossend be submitted to the next meeting of the Partnership.

NEIGHBOURHOOD IMPROVEMENT PLAN

8. There was submitted a report (docketed) dated 30 September 2008 by the Chief Executive (1) seeking approval for the adoption of the Neighbourhood Improvement Plan for the Bellshill and District area; (2) indicating that the Neighbourhood Improvement Plan formed the key working document of the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership reflecting the needs and aspirations of the local communities, promoting partnership working and improving local areas; (3) pointing out that the Action Plans within the Improvement Plan would be the subject of regular monitoring and review and would form the basis of future reports to the Partnership on progress.

Thereafter, Sandie Mackay, Community Regeneration Manager, highlighted the key points within the document and indicated that there were some minor changes and additions required to the Neighbourhood Improvement Plan and that the text would be in plain English.

Decided:

- (1) that it be recommended that the adoption of the Bellshill and District Neighbourhood Improvement Plan be approved subject to any necessary changes being incorporated into the Plan and the amended Plan being circulated to Members following its adoption, and
- (2) that further reports on progress be submitted to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership.

BELLSHILL TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN

(1) PUBLIC MEETING

9. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Minute of the special meeting of the Partnership held on 8 September 2008 when it was agreed (1) that all issues raised in relation to the Traffic Management proposals for Bellshill Town Centre would be considered by the Executive Director of Environmental Services, and (2) that a further meeting would be arranged in the evening to facilitate wider consultation, the Convener (a) advised that arising from that meeting, five taxi ranks had now been identified as part of the Traffic Management proposals for Bellshill Town Centre for consultation with the Taxi Owners' Association; (b) proposed that security fencing be provided at the entrance to Sacred Heart Church and Living Waters Christian Centre, and (c) indicated that a further public meeting would be held in November to report further on this matter.

Decided:

- (1) that it be recommended that security fencing be provided at the entrance to Sacred Heart Church and Living Waters Christian Centre, and
- (2) that the current position be otherwise noted.

(2) UPDATE

10. With reference to paragraph 11 of the Minute of the meeting of the Partnership held on 14 August 2008, there was submitted a report dated 15 September 2008 by the Head of Planning and Development (1) updating the Partnership on the progress made in relation to the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan; (2) indicating that Fountain Support Services had been appointed to undertake the Phase 3 works in Bellshill Town Centre, and (3) pointing out that Land Use Consultants had been appointed to administer, manage and supervise the implementation of Phases 3 and 4 of the Plan.

Thereon, Shirley Penman, Senior Planning Officer, highlighted the current position in relation to the works being undertaken as part of the Town Centre Action Plan.

Thereafter Councillor Lyle requested that the Head of Planning and Development ensure that disruption in the Town Centre be kept to a minimum prior to the Christmas period.

Decided:

- (1) that it be recommended that the Head of Planning and Development ensure that disruption be kept to a minimum in the Town Centre prior to the Christmas period, and
- (2) that the progress made on the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan be otherwise noted.

RAVENS CRAIG DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

11. With reference to paragraph 11 of the Minute of the meeting of the Partnership held on 1 May 2008, there was submitted a report dated 11 September 2008 by the Head of Planning and Development (1) advising of the current position in relation to the redevelopment of the former Ravenscraig Steelworks, and (2) highlighting future developments including the provision of social rented housing, the new rail station and the provision of an Innovation Park at Ravenscraig.

Thereon, Les Stevenson, Ravenscraig Project Manager, was heard in supplement to the report.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

BURNHEAD PITCHES

12. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Minute of the meeting of this Partnership held on 14 August 2008 when it was agreed that a report on the current position regarding the Burnhead Sports Pitch be submitted to the next meeting of the Partnership, there was submitted a report dated 30 September 2008 by the Head of Community Information and Learning advising on the sums which had been expended on the changing rooms and the two pitches at Burnhead, totalling £176,000.

Decided: that consideration be continued to the next meeting.

LETTING CHARGES AND ACCESS TO NEW SCHOOL PREMISES

13. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Minute of the meeting of the Partnership held on 14 August 2008 when the Partnership was advised that a report on letting charges and accessibility of facilities was being prepared for submission to the next meeting of the Partnership/Area Committee, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 11 September 2008 by the Head of Community Information and Learning (1) enclosing details of the charges applied to school and community facility lets, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, and (2) outlining the current usage and availability of John Paul II and Tannochside Primary Schools, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report.

Decided: that consideration be continued to the next meeting of the Partnership.

DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

14. The next meeting of the Partnership was scheduled to take place on Thursday, 11 December 2008 at 7 pm within Cardinal Newman High School, Bellshill.

Bellshill Cultural Centre, John Street, Bellshill, 9 October 2008 at 3.25 pm.

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

PRESENT

Councillor Lyle, Convener; Councillors Burrows, Curran, Delaney, H. McGuigan and McKeown.

CHAIR

Councillor Lyle (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services), Corporate Services; Community Regeneration Manager, Chief Executive's Office; Senior Planning Officer, and Ravenscraig Project Manager, Environmental Services; Area Housing Manager and Mediation Co-ordinator, Housing and Social Work Services and Quality Improvement Manager, Learning and Leisure Services.

APOLOGY

Councillor McCabe.

1. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000**

Decided: the meeting noted that there were no declarations of interest.

2. **CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 9 OCTOBER 2008**

The Committee gave consideration to the recommendations made by the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership at its meeting held on 9 October 2008 and agreed in respect of each item, the following:-

(1) **BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP/AREA COMMITTEE - MINUTE**

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

(2) **COMMUNITY POLICING MODEL - PRESENTATION**

Decided: that the terms of the presentation be noted.

(3) **BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM – UPDATE**

Decided: that the position be noted.

(4) **NHS LANARKSHIRE - NORTH COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP - BELLSHILL LOCALITY**

Decided: that the content of the report be noted.

(5) **COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT**

Decided: that the content of the report be noted.

(6) **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

Decided:

- (1) that the projects listed in the Appendix to the report be progressed by the Executive Director of Environmental Services through the Local Development Programme;
- (2) that the progress in delivering the projects or alterations to the Programme be reported to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership, and
- (3) that a report on the regeneration of the King George V Park, Mossend be submitted to the next meeting of the Partnership.

(7) **NEIGHBOURHOOD IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

Decided:

- (1) that the adoption of the Bellshill and District Neighbourhood Improvement Plan be approved subject to any necessary changes being incorporated into the Plan and the amended Plan being circulated to Members following its adoption, and
- (2) that further reports on progress be submitted to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership.

(8) **BELLSHILL TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN**

(a) **PUBLIC MEETING**

Decided:

- (1) that security fencing be provided at the entrance to Sacred Heart Church and Living Waters Christian Centre, and
- (2) that the current position be otherwise noted.

(b) UPDATE

Decided:

- (1) that the Head of Planning a Development ensure that disruption be kept to a minimum in the Town Centre prior to the Christmas period, and
- (2) that the progress made on the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan be otherwise noted.

(9) RAVENSCRAIG DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

(10) BURNHEAD PITCHES

Decided: that consideration be continued to the next meeting.

(11) LETTING CHARGES AND ACCESS TO NEW SCHOOL PREMISES

Decided: that consideration be continued to the next meeting of the Partnership.

(12) DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

Decided: that it be noted that the next meeting of the Partnership was scheduled to take place on Thursday, 11 December 2008 at 7 pm within Cardinal Newman High School, Bellshill, and that the Committee would meet immediately thereafter in the same location.'