



PLAINS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTE OF PLAINS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD TUESDAY 11th SEPTEMBER, 2007

Present: Fay Kerr, Margaret Waddell, Bob Summerhill, Anne Dick, Lillian Guerts,
Jim McGuigan, Karen Whitefield, Tommy Morgan, Mina Lambie

Apologies: Elspeth Wright

Previous Minute - WRG Planning Application to include the term "30 Year Extension". Proposed, Margaret Waddell, seconded, Bob Summerhill.

Matters Arising from Minute:

- **Invitation to Anti Social Task Force** still outstanding, awaiting decision as to which meeting to invite - Community Council or Futures Group.
- **Former Landfill Site** - Councillor Morgan confirmed he has written to Planning Department reference restoration of "Rights of Way." Will advise further on receipt of information from Planning.
- **NLC Local Plan** - update to be given following meeting of Plains CC and Greengairs CC to be held Monday 17th September, 2007.
- **Let of Astro Turf** - funding application still ongoing.
- **Youth Development Worker** - letter received from NLC requires clarification re timescale of vacancy being filled. Letter to be sent to Leisure & Learning Services seeking further information.

Police Report - None. Awaiting communication from Inspector Balmer. To allow for more police presence at peak times 2nd Division to have shift pattern change. Letter received by Councillor Morgan from A McGuire, Divisional Commander re new Variable Shift Agreement details of which submitted to meeting. Police will now muster from Coatbridge Station, though Community Police

still based at Airdrie. Karen Whitefield to contact Chief Inspector Sweeney and Inspector Balmer reference holding a meeting with Community Council. Importance of incident calls being logged with police stressed.

Council Report - Update from Previous Meeting

- Assurance given by Councillor Morgan that restoration works at Drumshangie Basin would include the restoration of existing Rights of Way.
- Main Street Development delay - Council have no control over construction period, awaiting update from Developer.
- Vacant Pub Site, Main Street - Councillor Morgan to investigate.
- North Lanarkshire Council Local Plan - attendance at meeting held in Plains, 30th August disappointing.

Community Futures Project

- Village Enhancement - awaiting report from Vincent McCullough, NLC.
- Small Business Forum - ongoing
- Community School Let, Astro Turf - let application submitted - further documentation required to be submitted asap.
- Community Development Trust - ongoing at present

Council Report - Councillor Morgan

- Affric Avenue area to undergo major structural improvements
- Football Pavillion - to be re-roofed (third time in four years) and fenced off.
- Toilet Upgrade - tenants now being notified

MSP Report

Bathgate/Airdrie Railway Line - Station Plains & Blackridge? Meeting arranged between Karen Whitefield and S Stevenson, Transport Minister to discuss commitment given by previous administration re possibility of station in Plains and Blackridge. Would suggested petition by Plains & Blackridge be worthwhile? Public meeting to be called to discuss issue - date to be advised.

Correspondence Received

North Lanarkshire Council - Tackling Fuel Poverty in North Lanarkshire, training sessions. Letter to be sent re possibility of evening training.

North Lanarkshire Council - Core Path Planning Second Round Consultation 12th, 13th, 19th September, 2007. Fay Kerr to attend.

Planning Aid for Scotland - re training

Energy Efficiency Advice Centre - meeting - response to be withheld at present (re Windfarm).

Copy received of letters sent by Councillor Morgan to:

- **Planning Department** - Rights of Way Restoration Works
- **Learning & Leisure Services** - Adult Education and Support to Community Organisations - provision of Youth Worker
- **Planning Department** - delay in house construction, Main Street, Plains

Next Meeting

Tuesday 9th October, 2007, 7.30 p.m. Plains Primary School.