



**PLAINS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Minute of Meeting held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2010,**  
**at 7.30 p.m. within Plains Community Centre**

**Present:** Elspeth Wright, Anne Marshall, Bob Summerhill,

**1. Apologies:** Lillian Geurts, Fay Kerr, Margaret Waddell  
**In attendance:** John Riley, Elaine Riley, Councillor Morgan

**2. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Minutes : Approved - Bob Summerhill, Seconded - Anne Marshall

**3. Matters Arising**

Lighting/Drains issues Meadowhead Road, residents to contact Northline Direct.

**4. WREN Application**

Letter sent to WREN confirming tenders returned February 2010. Contractor predicted to be on site May, 2010. Completion in 14 weeks (Aug 2010). Grant claim paperwork completed and returned to WREN. Publicity plan to include: word of mouth, Community Council, Community Police, Schools, NHS Lanarkshire, local press, newsletter and NLC publications. Competition for local schoolchildren to design sign for Playpark.

**5. Community Safety Meeting**

Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> March well attended. Main issues discussed:

- CCTV location - Vincent McCulloch to explore option of camera at 'top shops' (Location choice made by analysts not community police)
- Football Changing Pavilion to be demolished
- Park lighting (old football fields) now repaired, hopefully more vandal proof.
- Police Survey - Police to meet with Community Groups
- Youth disorder - young people of village to be consulted re recreation facilities. Colin Bruce, Community Learning & Development NLC, to look at funding options/consultation process.
- Football co-ordinators - in order to encourage the interest of older children possible football co-ordinators to be sourced.
- Communication - local newsletter to consider lead in and centre spread on community safety, to confirm to villagers concerns raised at Community Safety Meeting being addressed.

## 6. Community Futures

Several meetings have been held concentrating on allotment project. Previous St. Mary's School, Caldercruix - possible fencing available. Allotment area to be cleared shortly - 5 plots. 9 people have shown interest. Formal application forms sent out and management committee to be formed. Inverhouse Distillery approached re possible use of whiskey barrels. Manager, Jim Manson agreed to donate 3 barrels which will be halved to give six planters. Community Garden Funding - application submitted.

## 7. Youth Project Premises

Premises Bruce Street surplus to requirement and will now be marketed at market value. Opportunity to retain to be explored. No opposition expressed to demolition.

## 8. Council Report

Data Centre - planning application granted in principle, vote 35 to 10 for.

### Budget:-

- Freeze on Council Tax,
- £60m savings required in the next few years
- 3.5% rent increase
- Internal heating & kitchen/bathroom upgrades
- NLC affordable housing - 30 houses to be built on site of former Clarkston Primary school

## 9. Treasurers Report

Unavailable

## 10. Correspondence

- NLC Environmental Services - advising remit of Environment Service Dept. Invite to be extended to representative of Environmental services to April/May CC Meeting re improvements to local area
- Vincent McCulloch, NLC - Plains football Pavilion
- Karen Whitefield - February Newsletter

## 11. AOCB

- Area next to Stables Bar (rubbish etc.) Community Wardens to be contacted.
- Parking Facility Community Centre, Main Street.

12. Next Meeting - Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2010.