



## PLAINS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held, Tuesday 10th May, 2011 at 7.30 p.m. within Plains Community Centre

Present: Margaret Waddell, Elspeth Wright, Lilian Geurts, Fay Kerr.

In Attendance: Joan Benson, Mary Doris, Cllr. Morgan.

1. Apologies: Anne Marshall, Bob Summerhill

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting: Proposed – Fay Kerr, Seconded – Margaret Waddell

3. Matters Arising: Issue of unsightly littering of Main Street/Jarvie Avenue area, at and around convenience store, new flats, letter to be sent to Ken Wilson. Shortcut area between Jarvie Avenue and Main Street also discussed re 'right of way'. Cllr. Morgan intends to visit the area to assess problem and seek solution.

In the absence of Police report, J. Benson reported an improvement in the anti-social youth activity in the area at Moffat View.

5. Wren Application - Play & Activity Area – Site meeting Thursday 5th May –most of the outstanding work completed, snagging etc. Zip slide concern re movement of supports, British Standards safety officer (play equipment), to carry out examination re health/safety of equipment before NLC will accept handover.

6. Planning Issues – Planning applications made for house at area west Main Street (Kivit's old yard). Discussion of whether this application approval, if given, may breach existing NLC Planning Department's 'Green Belt' conditions.

7. Community Futures – Project well ahead with gardens, linking pathways, trees, landscaping etc. in community gardens. Future funding to be sought from Lottery funding, to further Community Futures website currently closed.

Difficulties of maintaining frequent website updates with limited personnel. J. Benson offered to help in any IT/Website activities if required.

8. Treasurer's Report – Margaret Waddell, treasurer, reported that Plains C. Council books have been submitted for audit.

9. Council Report – Cllr. Morgan updated the meeting with a comprehensive report of the financial situation facing our local council. Increases in house rents in the present year of 1.5%, and also in the next year an expected increase of 1.5%.

Cllr. Morgan also reported on the lack of development being made with the old Orr's building in South Bridge St. Airdrie, stating that NLC cannot make progress with the development of this building because of objections raised from an adjacent business.

He also informed the CC, that to date, NLC has received 29 applications for public processions in North Lanarkshire from numerous groups.

10. Correspondence – VANL (Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire) inaugural general meeting, Tuesday,

17th May, Wellwynd. 1pm. LG and FK to attend.

W. Beattie, Sports Centre Committee, invites CC to opening of Greengairs Sports

Centre – to be named Stanrigg Memorial Hall, Wednesday 15th June, 11 am.

EW to attend and, will circulate details for others to advise of availability.

AVCF (Airdrie and Villages Community Forum) meeting in Arts Centre, EW to attend 11th

11. A.O.C.B. – Cllr. Morgan will make enquiries re Forrest Flowers - and other still un-erected signage to be positioned on Main St. to identify residents living south of the railway.

Plains Community Council intends to invite newly appointed MSP, Alex Neil, to our CC meeting in the near future, to introduce himself and to share aspirations for our community.

12. A.G.M. for Plains Community Council will be held Tuesday 14th June, 2011, at 7.30pm.