

**Michael Sherry Community Centre, Main Street, Holytown, 8 October 2009 at 7 pm.**

A 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; Tom Bryce, NHS Lanarkshire; Craig Shaw and Brian McGuire, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue, and Stewart Hurry, Strathclyde Police.

**CHAIR**

Councillor Lyle (Convener) presided.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Jean Anne McIlwain, Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services), Corporate Services; Matt Costello, Local Regeneration Manager, Chief Executive's Office; Lorna Bowden, Development Projects Team Leader, and Ken Forbes, Open Spaces and Cemeteries Manager, Environmental Services; Alison Clarke, Area Housing Manager, Housing and Social Work Services, and Joe McAvoy, Quality Improvement Officer, Learning and Leisure Services.

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors J. Coyle and McCabe, North Lanarkshire Council and Carmen Mair, Bellshill and District Community Forum.

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

1. Prior to consideration of the business on the agenda, Councillor Lyle declared a financial interest in the item, dealt with at paragraph 5 of this Minute, in relation to the NHS Lanarkshire - North Community Health Partnership - Bellshill and District Locality due to the nature of his employment.

**BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP/AREA COMMITTEE – MINUTES**

2. There were submitted the Minutes of the special meetings and meetings of the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership and Area Committee held on, respectively, 20 May and 13 August 2009.

**Decided:** that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

**COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES - NEW STEVENSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

3. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of New Stevenston Community Council held on 25 August 2009.

**Decided:** that the terms of the Minute be noted.

**NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP BOARD – MINUTE OF 9 SEPTEMBER 2009**

4. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of North Lanarkshire Partnership held on 9 September 2009.

**Decided:** that the terms of the Minute be noted.

**Councillor Lyle, having declared a financial interest by reason of the nature of his employment, took no part in the consideration and determination of the following item of business. Councillor Lyle also demitted the Chair for the duration of this item only and Councillor McKeown took the Chair.**

**NHS LANARKSHIRE – NORTH COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP – BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCALITY**

5. There was submitted a report dated September 2009 by Tom Bryce, General Manager, NHS Lanarkshire (1) setting out proposals for the provision of a new 130 bed acute mental health unit in North Lanarkshire to be based at either Monklands Hospital or Wishaw General Hospital; (2) outlining various initiatives that had taken place within Lanarkshire and the Bellshill Locality, and (3) providing the details previously requested at the Local Area Partnership meeting held on 13 August 2009 in relation to the Scottish Bowel Screening Programme.

Tom Bryce was then heard in supplement to his report and in response to questions.

**Decided:** that the position be noted.

**JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT**

6. There was submitted a joint report (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of Bellshill and District Area Committee held on 8 October 2009) dated 8 October 2009 by Housing and Social Work Services, Strathclyde Police and Strathclyde Fire and Rescue advising of initiatives and measures taken to minimise the levels of crime within the Bellshill and District area during July and August, including (1) a summary of the key activities of the partners; (2) statistical information in respect of the three partners, and (3) highlighting the success of the Blue Light Disco, which had proven to be popular and to have a positive impact on offensive behaviour in the area.

The Partnership then heard Stewart Hurry, Strathclyde Police, Craig Shaw and Brian McGuire, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue and Alison Clarke, Area Housing Manager in supplement to the report and in response to Members' questions.

Thereafter, Councillor Lyle proposed that the provision of funding from the Local Development Programme in support of the Blue Light Disco be explored.

**Decided:** that it be recommended to the Area Committee

- (1) that consideration be given to the provision of funding from the Local Development Programme 2010/2011 in support of the Blue Light Disco, and
- (2) that the content of the report be otherwise noted.

**PROVISION OF REDEPLOYABLE CCTV CAMERAS**

7. The Convener proposed that funding of £5,000 be allocated from the Local Development Programme 2010/2011 for the provision of two redeployable CCTV cameras within each ward of the Bellshill and

District Area and that the location of the cameras be agreed by the Local Regeneration Manager and representatives of North Lanarkshire CCTV Limited, Strathclyde Police and the Fire and Rescue Service in consultation with the local Members.

**Decided:** that it be recommended to the Area Committee that funding of £5,000 be allocated from the Local Development Programme for the provision of two redeployable CCTV cameras within each ward of the Bellshill and District area, the location of which would be agreed by the partners in association with the local Members.

#### **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

8. With reference to paragraph 9 of the Minute of the meeting of the Local Area Partnership held on 13 August 2009, there was submitted a report (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of Bellshill and District Area Committee held on 8 October 2009) dated 8 October 2009 by the Head of Planning and Development (1) advising of the progress made in completing the remaining projects within the Local Development Programme for 2008/2009 for the Bellshill and District Area, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report; (2) detailing the current position in relation to the projects for delivery during 2009/2010, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report; (3) giving details of a project, as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report, which required additional funding for delivery during 2009/2010, and (4) setting out projects totalling £421,160 for approval and delivery during 2010/2011, as detailed in Appendix 4 to the report, which would be subject to further investigation and development during 2010/2011.

**Decided:** that it be recommended to the Area Committee

- (1) that the progress in delivering the projects within the Local Development Programme for 2008/2009, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, and 2009/2010, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report, be noted;
- (2) that the additional funding for the project, as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report, be approved for inclusion in the 2009/2010 Local Development Programme;
- (3) that, in addition to the recommendations in paragraphs 6 and 7 above, the projects, as detailed in Appendix 4 to the report, be approved for delivery in the 2010/2011 Local Development Programme, and
- (4) that further reports on progress be submitted to future meetings of the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership.

#### **BELLSHILL TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN UPDATE**

9. With reference to paragraph 10 of the Minute of the meeting of the Partnership held on 13 August 2009, there was submitted a report dated 29 September 2009 by the Head of Planning and Development (1) updating the Local Area Partnership on the current position in relation to the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan, including (a) the commencement of works to the roundabout on North Road and the subsequent disruption, and (b) the postponement of the closure of Main Street for resurfacing works until January 2010; (2) advising the Partnership of the reasons why the consultation on alternative traffic management options in relation to Hamilton Road, Bellshill could not be carried out at this time and of proposals to undertake this in the future, and (3) reporting that the bid for regeneration funding in respect of the acquisition of the gap site at 278-286 Main Street, Bellshill had been successful, with funding of £150,000 having been awarded, and that discussions were underway with a view to including improvement works to the site in the phase 4 contract for streetscape works.

Lorna Bowden was then heard (a) in supplement to the report, when she indicated that the current contract was now due for completion in mid February and that the phase 4 streetscape works contract would be issued shortly with an expected completion date of 30 November 2010, and (b) in response to questions.

**Decided:** that the progress made on the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan be noted.

#### **ESTATE BASED INITIATIVES 2009/2010**

10. There was submitted a report dated 1 October 2009 by the Executive Director of Housing and Social Work Services (1) advising that, for 2009/2010, Estate Based Initiative funding of (a) £17,593 had been allocated for the Bellshill area, and (b) £6,996 had been allocated for the Viewpark area, and (2) proposing that, to maximise the delivery of projects identified by the Area Housing Office for inclusion in the Local Development Programme, these budgets be allocated to the Programme.

**Decided:** that it be recommended to the Area Committee that the contribution totalling £24,589 to the Local Development Programme 2009/2010 from the Estate Based Initiative funding be approved.

#### **BEAUTIFUL LANARKSHIRE AWARDS 2009**

11. There was submitted a report dated October 2009 by the Head of Land Services (1) intimating that, as part of the Council's Streetsmart initiative, 22 entries had been submitted to the 2009 Beautiful Scotland Awards Scheme; (2) indicating that the results had been announced at the annual awards ceremony on 21 September 2009, and (3) advising that 15 entries had been successful, with four discretionary awards, reflecting good practice, also being gained, all as detailed in the Appendix to the report, which showed that Bellshill and District had been awarded a bronze medal.

On behalf of the Local Area Partnership, the Convener congratulated those involved in the initiative.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the success of the North Lanarkshire entries to the 2009 Beautiful Scotland Awards Scheme be noted, and
- (2) that all the community partner organisations which had played an important role in the success of the initiative be congratulated.

#### **DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

12. It was noted that the next meeting of the Local Area Partnership was scheduled to take place on Thursday, 21 January 2010 at 7 pm within the Frank Ferguson Centre, Motherwell Road, Bellshill.

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**CHAIR**

Councillor Lyle (Convener) presided.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

The Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services), Corporate Services; Local Regeneration Manager, Chief Executive's Office; Development Projects Team Leader and Open Spaces and Cemeteries Manager, Environmental Services; Area Housing Manager, Housing and Social Work Services, and Quality Improvement Officer, Learning and Leisure Services.

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors J. Coyle, Curran and McCabe.

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

Prior to consideration of the business on the agenda, Councillor Lyle declared a financial interest in item (4) of Paragraph 2, in relation to the NHS Lanarkshire - North Community Health Partnership - Bellshill and District Locality due to the nature of his employment.

**2. CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 8 OCTOBER 2009**

The Committee gave consideration to the recommendations made by the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership at its meeting held on 8 October 2009 and agreed in respect of each item, the following:-

**(1) BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP/AREA COMMITTEE – MINUTES**

**Decided:** that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

**(2) COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES - NEW STEVENSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Decided:** that the terms of the Minute be noted.

**(3) NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP BOARD – MINUTE OF 9 SEPTEMBER 2009**

**Decided:** that the terms of the Minute be noted.

**Councillor Lyle, having declared a financial interest by reason of the nature of his employment, took no part in the consideration and determination of the following item of business. Councillor Lyle also demitted the Chair for the duration of this item only and Councillor McKeown took the Chair.**

**(4) NHS LANARKSHIRE – NORTH COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP – BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCALITY**

**Decided:** that the position be noted.

**(5) JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT**

**Decided:**

- (1) that consideration be given to the provision of funding from the Local Development Programme 2010/2011 in support of the Blue Light Disco, and
- (2) that the content of the report be otherwise noted.

**(6) PROVISION OF REDEPLOYABLE CCTV CAMERAS**

**Decided:** that funding of £5,000 be allocated from the Local Development Programme for the provision of two redeployable CCTV cameras within each ward of the Bellshill and District area, the location of which would be agreed by the partners in association with the local Members.

**(7) LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

**Decided:**

- (1) that the progress in delivering the projects within the Local Development Programme for 2008/2009, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, and 2009/2010, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report, be noted;
- (2) that the additional funding for the project, as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report, be approved for inclusion in the 2009/2010 Local Development Programme;
- (3) that, in addition to the recommendations in items (5) and (6) above, the projects, as detailed in Appendix 4 to the report, be approved for delivery in the 2010/2011 Local Development Programme, and
- (4) that further reports on progress be submitted to future meetings of the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership.

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

**Decided:** that the progress made on the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan be noted.

**(9) ESTATE BASED INITIATIVES 2009/2010**

**Decided:** that the contribution totalling £24,589 to the Local Development Programme 2009/2010 from the Estate Based Initiative funding be approved.

**(10) BEAUTIFUL LANARKSHIRE AWARDS 2009**

**Decided:**

- (1) that the success of the North Lanarkshire entries to the 2009 Beautiful Scotland Awards Scheme be noted, and
- (2) that all the community partner organisations which had played an important role in the success of the initiative be congratulated.

**(11) DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

**Decided:** that it be noted that the next meeting of the Local Area Partnership is scheduled to take place on Thursday, 21 January 2010 at 7 pm within the Frank Ferguson Centre, Motherwell Road, Bellshill and that the Area Committee will meet immediately thereafter in the same location.