

BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP – 20 January 2011

Mossend Primary School, Calder Road, Bellshill, 20 January 2011 at 7 pm.

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

PRESENT

Councillor Lyle, Convener; Councillors Curran, Delaney and McKeown, North Lanarkshire Council, and Stewart Hurry, Strathclyde Police.

CHAIR

Councillor Lyle (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

Lesley Dysart, Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services), Corporate Services; Matt Costello, Local Regeneration Manager, Chief Executive's Office; Bill Hazel, Business Manager (Roads Operations) and Denis O'Kane, Planning Officer, Environmental Services, and Eleanor O'Brien, Service Delivery Manager, Housing and Social Work Services.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Burrows, J. Coyle, McCabe, H. McGuigan and McShannon, North Lanarkshire Council; Karen Hunter, 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. Prior to consideration of the business on the agenda, Councillor Lyle declared a financial interest in the item, dealt with at paragraph 6 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 meetings of the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership and Area Committee held on 7 October 2010.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES – BELLSHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

3. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of Bellshill Community Council held on 20 October and 17 November 2010.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM – UPDATE

4. There was submitted a report dated December 2010 from Bellshill and District Community Forum (1) indicating that the Annual General Meeting of the Bellshill and District Community Forum had been held on 18 November 2010 when the Executive Committee Members, as detailed in the report, had been elected; (2) advising of the activities of the Forum over the last few months, and (3) setting out the dates of future meetings of the Forum.

Decided: that the terms of the report be noted.

NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP BOARD MINUTES

5. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of North Lanarkshire Partnership Board held on 11 August 2010.

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

Councillor Lyle, having declared a financial interest in the following item due to the nature of his employment, left the meeting and took no part in its consideration and determination. 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

6. There was submitted a report (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of the Bellshill and District Area Committee held on 20 January 2011) dated 17 December 2010 by the Unit General Manager, NHS Lanarkshire (1) providing details of various initiatives that had taken place within the Bellshill Locality area; (2) indicating that, despite the adverse weather conditions, essential frontline services had been maintained, and (3) seeking that specific areas of information be identified for future reporting to the Local Area Partnership meetings in the context of the Single Outcome Agreement and the Community Plan.

Decided:

- (1) that, in the context of the Single Outcome Agreement and the Community Plan, specific areas be identified for future reports to the Local Area Partnership, and
- (2) that the contents of the report be otherwise noted.

Councillor Lyle resumed the Chair.

JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

7. There was submitted a joint report (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of the Bellshill and District Area Committee held on 20 January 2011) dated January 2011 by Housing and Social Work Services, Strathclyde Police and Strathclyde Fire and Rescue advising of initiatives and measures taken to minimise the level of crime within the Bellshill and District area for the period from September to November 2010, including (1) a summary of the key activities of the three partners; (2) statistical information in respect of the partners, as detailed within Appendices 2 to 4 of the report, and

(3) details of (a) the hotspots for the Bellshill area, as shown in Appendix 1 to the report, and (b) the outreach services for young people with potential alcohol and drug abuse issues being provided as part of the Street Base North Project.

The Local Area Partnership then heard Inspector Stewart Hurry, Strathclyde Police and Eleanor O'Brien, Housing and Social Work Services, in supplement to the report and in response to Members' questions.

Decided: that the content of the report be noted.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

8. With reference to paragraph 9 of the Minute of the meeting of the Local Area Partnership held on 7 October 2010, there was submitted a report (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of the Bellshill and District Area Committee held on 20 January 2011) dated 20 January 2011 by the Head of Regeneration Services (1) setting out the criteria for projects to be included within the Local Development Programme; (2) detailing the current position in relation to the projects within the Programme for (a) 2009/2010, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report, and (b) 2010/2011, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report, and (3) seeking approval to re-allocate funding to existing and new projects, as detailed within Appendix 3 to the report.

Matt Costello, Local Regeneration Manager, then highlighted the main contents of the report and responded to Members' questions.

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

- (1) that the progress in relation to the delivery of the projects in 2009/2010 through the Local Development Programme, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, be noted;
- (2) that the progress in terms of projects for delivery in the 2010/2011 Programme, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report, be noted;
- (3) that the changes to existing projects resulting in changes and postponement of projects and the re-allocation of funding to existing and new projects, as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report, be noted, and
- (4) that further progress be reported to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership.

BELLSHILL TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN – UPDATE

9. With reference to paragraph 11 of the Minute of the meeting of the Local Area Partnership held on 7 October 2010, there was submitted a report (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of the Bellshill and District Area Committee held on 20 January 2011) dated 20 December 2010 by the Head of Planning and Development updating the Local Area Partnership on the current position in relation to the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan, (1) indicating that the Phase 4 works, being undertaken by R. J. MacLeod, were progressing, with the third of the three stages ongoing, including resurfacing works which had required the closure of sections of Main Street, Hamilton Road and North Road, as detailed in the report; (2) updating the Local Area Partnership in relation to the Draft Traffic Regulation Order; (3) pointing out (a) that the lease of the gap site at 278-286 Main Street, Bellshill had been finalised in November; (b) that, in the course of the informal consultation, no adverse comments had been received in relation to the proposed naming of this site as James Dempsey Way, and (c) that the proposals for this area, as detailed in the report, would now proceed, and (4) intimating that a set of Frameworks for the growth and change of North Lanarkshire's Town Centres was being progressed,

with the Partnership and partners being kept advised of the Framework for the Bellshill area which would progress in due course.

The Local Area Partnership then heard Bill Hazel, Business Manager (Roads Operations) and Denis O'Kane, Planning Officer, in supplement to the report and in response to Members' questions.

The Convener then expressed his appreciation of the expertise and professionalism of the officers in relation to their dealings with the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan.

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

PRESENTATION ON THE DIGITAL SWITCHOVER HELP SCHEME

10. Ivan Kennedy, Regional Project Co-ordinator for the BBC Digital Switchover Help Scheme, STV Central Region, provided a presentation on the Digital Switchover Help Scheme and advised:-

- that the Help Scheme was non-commercial and administered by the BBC under an agreement with the Government;
- that there would be a £40 fee for service users, though free to some persons in receipt of certain benefits;
- that the aspiration was to reach all eligible people to ensure that those who required help would receive it;
- that the strategic objective was to encourage appropriate take-up and identify and help the most vulnerable eligible people;
- of the eligibility criteria and the services and support available;
- that every eligible person would be contacted directly, and
- that Literature would be available in other formats such as other languages, large print and dvd/video with DSL and subtitles.

Thereafter, the Convener thanked Ivan Kennedy for the informative presentation.

Decided: that the presentation by Ivan Kennedy on the Digital Switchover Help Scheme be noted.

MEETINGS OF BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP AND AREA COMMITTEE DURING JULY 2011

11. There was submitted a report dated 8 November 2010 by the Head of Central Services proposing that the scheduled date of the meetings of Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership and Area Committee during July 2011 be changed to 7 July 2011.

Decided: that it be recommended to the Area Committee that the meetings of the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership and the Area Committee due to be held on 14 July 2011 now be held on 7 July 2011.

DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING – 7 APRIL 2010 AT 7 PM IN BELLSHILL CULTURAL CENTRE, JOHN STREET, BELLSHILL

12. The Local Area Partnership noted that the next meeting of the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership would be held on Thursday, 7 April 2011 at 7 pm in Bellshill Cultural Centre, John Street, Bellshill.

BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA – 20 January 2011

Bellshill, 20 January 2011 at 8.15 pm.

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

PRESENT

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

CHAIR

Councillor Lyle (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services), Corporate Services; Local Regeneration Manager, Chief Executive's Office; Business Manager (Roads Operations) and Planning Officer, Environmental Services, and Service Delivery Manager, Housing and Social Work Services.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Burrows, J. Coyle, McCabe, H. McGuigan and McShannon.

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 item (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.

2. **CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 20 JANUARY 2011**

The Committee gave consideration to the recommendations made by the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership at its meeting held on 20 January 2011 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 – BELLSHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

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

Decided: that the terms of the report be noted.

(4) NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP BOARD MINUTES

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

Councillor Lyle, having declared a financial interest in the following item due to the nature of his employment, left the meeting and took no part in its consideration and determination. Councillor Lyle also demitted the Chair for the duration of this item only and Councillor McKeown took the Chair.

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

Decided:

- (1) that, in the context of the Single Outcome Agreement and the Community Plan, specific areas be identified for future reports to the Local Area Partnership, and
- (2) that the contents of the report be otherwise noted.

Councillor Lyle resumed the Chair.

(6) JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

Decided: that the content of the report be noted.

(7) LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Decided:

- (1) that the progress in relation to the delivery of the projects in 2009/2010 through the Local Development Programme, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, be noted;
- (2) that the progress in terms of projects for delivery in the 2010/2011 Programme, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report, be noted;
- (3) that the changes to existing projects resulting in changes and postponement of projects and the re-allocation of funding to existing and new projects, as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report, be noted, and
- (4) that further progress be reported to future meetings of the 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) PRESENTATION ON THE DIGITAL SWITCHOVER HELP SCHEME

Decided: that the presentation by Ivan Kennedy on the Digital Switchover Help Scheme be noted.

(10) MEETINGS OF BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP AND AREA COMMITTEE DURING JULY 2011

Decided: that the meetings of the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership and the Area Committee due to be held on 14 July 2011 now be held on 7 July 2011.

(11) DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING – 7 APRIL 2010 AT 7 PM IN BELLSHILL CULTURAL CENTRE, JOHN STREET, BELLSHILL

Decided: that the next meeting of the Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership be held on Thursday, 7 April 2011 at 7 pm in Bellshill Cultural Centre, John Street, Bellshill.