

**Kilsyth & Villages
Community Forum
Minutes**

Date of Meeting: 20th April 2015

**Venue: St Patricks Primary,
Kilsyth**

No.	Item	Action
1.	<p>Attendance and sign in: Paul Carter – F.K.A.P. Cllr Alan Stevenson – NLC Cllr Jean Jones Carol Carter – Health Rep Ron Morecroft Billy Lees – Cumbernauld Community Council Ian Jarvis Adam Smith – 3rd Sector Rep Emma McMullen - Leader</p> <p>In attendance: Rosalyn Griffith – Community Engagement Officer, N.L.C. Jacqueline Marshall – VANL (Secretariat Support)</p> <p>2. Apologies: Cllr Heather McVey</p> <p>Welcome: Chair welcomed all members to tonight forum meeting.</p>	
3.	<p>Minutes adopted , matters arising from the last meeting:</p> <p>Proposed: Ron Seconded: Ian</p>	
4.	<p>Treasurers Report:</p> <p>£942.90 in bank account</p> <p>Ron mentioned that the PA system has been purchased and supplied by NHS. Discussion took place regarding designs for new forum banners and having an advert within the local newspaper for civic week. All members agreed to have and advert and all members agreed on a design for the banners.</p>	
5.	<p>Correspondence and matters arising:</p> <p>NLC Local Development Plan – Main Issues Report, it was mentioned that the closing date for submissions/comments has been extended until 29th May. Forum received an invitation to attend a community engagement workshop. It was suggested that a copy of the main issues report should be circulated to all members prior to the meeting, Jean agreed</p>	

	to action this.	
6.	<p>Reports:</p> <p>Crime Prevention Panel: Both Paul and Iain attended the re-launch of the panel and mentioned that the forum still requires a representative.</p> <p>Councillors: Jean discussed Housing & Social Work with members and mentioned that both NLC and Social work have not been included in the early stages of any consultations.</p> <p>Alan mentioned that he had the opportunity to visit the health centre and mentioned that it is very well designed and that he is very impressed by it.</p> <p>LAP: Paul mentioned that he attended the last meeting which took place in April. Paul discussed the report in which he submitted on behalf of the forum and also discussed the main issues raised i.e out of hours service. Paul mentioned that he is happy to circulate copies of the report.</p> <p>At this point Adam introduced himself to members as the 3rd Sector Rep and provided members with a brief overview of his role.</p> <p>Health Group: Paul mentioned that the forums campaign made the front page of the Kilsyth Chronical. Carol updated members on the letter received from Craig Cunningham addressing the letters which were submitted by the forum to the NHS raising the issue that Hamilton is not a suitable proposal and that Airdrie is inconvenient.</p>	
7.	<p>Local Issues:</p> <p>Paul raised the issue regarding the flooded pathway at Calvery Park, it was suggested that the forum should draft a letter to Wimpy's to ask to consider deepening the ditch. Jean mentioned that she has also asked planning enforcement officers to address this issue also. It was agreed that both Paul and Iain will draft a letter.</p> <p>Carol advised members on the ramblers walk in banton loch and how she would like to see a more regular litter clear up and suggested that the forum should approach Scottish canals regarding this matter. Carol agreed to draft a letter to send to Scottish canals.</p>	
8.	<p>AOCB:</p> <p>Special Agenda Item 1 – Presentation by Martin McManus</p> <p>Martin was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Paul proceeded to give members an overview of the Clyde and Avon Valley Landscape Partnership. Newsletter were circulated containing all information for member's consideration. Paul discussed how the partnership receive funding and how 50% of its funding is provided from the heritage lottery funds if applications are successful and the</p>	

	<p>other 50% from partners. Smaller amount are received from community bodies such as forums etc. Paul discussed that the project is granted £4million to spend of 4 years and that 49 projects have been identified. A discussion took place regarding the areas which are covered in the project, Paul suggested that the areas which should be considered are Kelvin Valley & Hills, Campsies and Canal. Paul advised members on the partners who are involved, consisting of NLC, East Dunbartonshire Council & Falkirk Council, and discussion took place regarding the possibility of including community organisations. It was suggested the both the forum and NLC should arrange a meeting to identify areas/ideas. Paul advised members on the stage 1 and stage 2 application process and how development grant needs to be granted to fund stage 2 of the application where stage 2 could possibly take 1 year to complete, more so an action plan and employ a developer for approx. 18months to oversee the project. Paul's request is for NLC Councillors to action this and organise an official meeting to discuss ideas and to decide if the forum should proceed with the partnership or not, suggested organising this before the summer holidays. It was also suggested that if at the meeting the decision is to go ahead, to get all potential partners to organise a meeting with the aim of getting stage one application submitted by the end of this year and stage 2 submitted mid 2016.</p> <p>At this point a discussion took place regarding "Leader" and how this project can help fund stage 2 if they agree to based on application submissions. Iain provided members with an update on "Leader" and mentioned that the budget for Kelvin Valley & Falkirk Leader is £2.8 million and that the next stage is to develop a service level agreement. Both the Business Plan and Local Development Strategy have been submitted and are awaiting approval. Hoping to launch in Autumn depending on if the service level agreement is approved or not.</p>	
<p>9.</p>	<p>Date of next meeting: AGM Monday 1st June 2015 St Patricks Primary 7pm till 9pm</p>	