

AGENDA ITEM No.

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Background

This paper aims to give LAP members an update on Cumbernauld Community Forum activity over the past few weeks

Community Forum Update

Reshaping Care for older People

The North Locality Consortium will continue for another year with locality funding for projects and groups. For more information Please contact Maryanne at CACE
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The Forum Budget consultation meeting was held on the 17th November the presenter was Stephen Penman from North Lanarkshire Council. Because of low turnout this will also be discussed at the next forum meeting to encourage people to respond to the consultation.

Billy Lees has now been appointment to Board of VANL

Men Shed

The new men shed that was launched 1st December based in Lenziemill industrial estate, Telford Road. Giving older people the opportunity to come together and improve their practical skills, meet new friends and reduce isolation. Transport is provided by CACE their number is 01236 451393

Issues

NHS Lanarkshire

Treatment rooms

Appointments at treatment centres are being cancelled because of the shortage of nurses. Can NHS please advise when more nurses will be recruited.

NHS out of hours

Earlier this year The Scottish Government commission a report by Professor Lewis Ritchie. The report found the current arrangements for the 'out of hours' service fragile and not sustainable. It will worsen unless immediate and robust measures are taken to promote the recruitment and retention of sufficient numbers of GP's working in both day time, and the 'out of hours' service. An enhanced capacity of multidisciplinary 'out of hours' work force should be rapidly built up. He has made 28 recommendations for the government to implement. These include:

- Develop a set of national standards for urgent 'out of hour' care
- Improve patients records, systems and technology
- Further developing support for self-care and enhance joint working between health boards including the Scottish Ambulance Services and NHS 24

Town Centre Issues

Can the council please challenge the Town Centre owners that have closed off part of the town centre. When will the barriers be removed so people can access it and people be able to see the clock again

North Road outside St Maurice's

The forum has been advised that the council is planning to narrow the North Road to slow down traffic. The forum would like the council consider putting double yellow lines on the road to prevent parking rather than narrowing the road.

Collinwood, St Maurice's – Broadwood

Can the council please inspect these 2 underpasses as they are in a terrible condition and people are frightened to use them because the lights are broken? There are also issues with people using them as a place to drink which is causing anti-social behaviour.

The forum would like an update on what the plans are, for the land that Morrison's were going to build on. Are there plans for another company to open a retail store in this area.

Safety barrier from paths leading to main road near Westfield shops. When will this be reinstated.

Outstanding Issues

Signage for the New Recycling Facility Westfield

The Forum is pleased to see the new signage up for the Westfield Recycling Facility however could there be other signs put up from the main roundabouts to direct people to the site as this would help people coming from other areas of Cumbernauld, or Moodiesburn.

Community Forum Meeting

The date of the next Community Forum meeting is Tuesday 9th February 2015 at 7.00pm in. New College Lanarkshire (Cumbernauld Campus)

For further information on the Community Forum, or the contents of this report please contact: Billy Lees (Chairperson) 01236-736342