

**CALDERCRUIX COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING THURSDAY 14 JUNE 2017**

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Daniel Lafferty (Acting Chair), Cllr Alan Beveridge (AB), Thomas Ferrie (TF), Anne Marie McCabe (AMC), Richard Lewis (RL), Iris Abraham, Anne Leckie, James Smith, Leeann Campbell, Gillian Black, Kenny Clark, John O`Boyle, Colin McLeod, James Fagan (JF) and Helen McKay (HM), Community Learning and Development Workers, NLC, Mark Loughery, Margaret Harkness, Margaret Hughes, Margaret Cunningham, Geraldine O`Boyle, Norma Morgan, Lorna Gilmour, James Armstrong, Ann McNish, Robert Guy, Adrienne Nicol

**APOLOGIES**

Billy Main, Marian Di Nardo (MD), Chris Jackson, Philip Jackson

**BACKGROUND TO CALDERCRUIX CC**

DL welcomed the large gathering and noted that many attendees were present for the first time since the CC was formed last year. DL explained that the CC had been set up following the campaign involving the Hillend Quarry planning application and the CC intends to ensure that the community`s voice is heard in the delivery of public services and other issues affecting the community. A CC is also necessary to apply for and disburse community benefit funds from schemes such as local windfarms.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (11 MAY 2017)**

Proposed by AMC

Seconded by GB

**GUEST SPEAKERS - DR GLEN**

DL introduced Guest Speaker Dr Glen who explained that she has applied to NHS Lanarkshire to change the boundary to her existing practice, such as to include Caldercruix, with the effect being that, if successful, she would reopen the former surgery premises on Main Street. Initial service provision would be 1 hour GP surgery each week day, with a practice nurse attending once a fortnight and services being scaled up as demand required. GP services would be provided by Dr Glen and Dr Cameron.

AB explained the background - many constituents had made personal representations over many months expressing concern at access to services at the Wellwynd Practice currently serving Caldercruix. Problems include patients not being offered consultations in Caldercruix, being denied face to face appointments with GPs and difficulties getting through on the practice telephone lines. These concerns had been discussed at previous CC meetings and taken up with the practice manager and NHS Lanarkshire, both of whom denied there being any problems.

## **LOCAL COUNCILLOR`S REPORT**

AB updated the CC on the following issues:-

1. Rockbank Farm – Ongoing investigations by SEPA and NLC.
2. Gowan Brae footpath – application lodged for funding. Decision will be made at October Local Area Partnership meeting.
3. Road traffic speeds on A89 – discussions ongoing with NLC Roads Dept and application for barriers to be introduced at the roundabout bounding the Drumbow estate. Gowan Brae - NLC are applying for funding for pavements at Gowan Brae.
4. Main St/ Elswick Drive – NLC traffic survey reports that this location does not meet the criteria for a school pedestrian crossing to be introduced. A discussion also followed on traffic movements at Millgate Crescent with drivers not understanding the requirement to give way at its junction with Main St.

*Actions:-*

- *AB will revert to the council to ask for details of the criteria and an explanation of precisely how these have not been met; and*
- *AB will explore whether a STOP sign can be installed at Millgate Crescent.*

## **GENERAL MATTERS**

JF highlighted that Street Soccer would be starting in the village (Progress Drive) from Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Sept (7-9pm) for a period of 10 weeks with NL Leisure Staff delivering the programme. Also the findings of a consultation on what needs to change in Caldercruix will be released imminently.

## **AOCB**

Come and Meet Each Other (CAMEO) night on 29<sup>th</sup> September was highlighted.

## **NEXT MEETING**

Second Thursday in October (12 Oct).