

## Westerwood Community Council

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Minutes of the public meeting held at 7.45 pm on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June in the Muirfield Centre, 1a South Muirhead Road, Cumbernauld

- Present: Community Councillors Tom Law (Chair), Bill Crosson (Vice Chair), Anne Clark, Tony Williams, May Haggerty, Willie Kenneth, Grant Wallace
- Apologies: Fraser Morrison (Treasurer), Martin Stone and Councillor Alan Masterton
- Approximately 32 residents from Westerwood Community

- Welcome

Tom Law welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 7.45 pm.

- Minutes

Minutes from the public meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2018 were respectively submitted by Tom Law, approved by Richard Fitzpatrick and seconded by David Wiseman.

- Matters arising from Minutes

There were no matters raised.

- Walker Homes Update

Walker have appealed the decision by NLC to reject their application to build on the site at North Mainhead Farm. A reporter from the Scottish Government will visit the site unaccompanied and is expected to present his decision in due course.

- Police Update

There was no response from the police to our request for an update on Policing matters.

- Westerwood Hotel

Later this year the hotel will be rebranded as DoubleTree by Hilton. Aprirose will retain ownership and the hotel will continue to be managed by RBH – formerly Redefine BDL Hotels. The manager is currently on leave, however on his return Bill and Tom will arrange to meet him with a view to encourage a strong relationship to the benefit of both the hotel and local residents. The manager has already indicated he is willing to develop this relationship. It will also be an opportunity bring to his attention the concerns raised by residents about the current lack of maintenance and flooding issues across the golf course at the former 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> holes; this will probably take the form of walking around the course and discussing ways to overcome these problems. Access to and use of the areas around and on the golf course are also to be raised with the hotel manager.

- Speeding on Dullatur Road Update

Councillor Masterton approached NLC and the Police about concerns raised by residents over speeding on Dullatur Road. NLC stated that as there were no recorded injury accidents on Dullatur Road they would not pursue the provision of additional signing at this location. They considered speeding to be an enforcement issue for the Police. Police Scotland advised that one of their officers had been tasked with carrying out some speeding days of action in this location. Due to the strength of feeling among the residents this is an issue that will continue. Another matter highlighted was the amount of inconsiderate parking of vehicles on, or near approaches to, Eastfield Road. Measures to address this will be carried forward and a request will be made to the Police to attend our next public meeting on September 6<sup>th</sup>.

- Use of Facebook Page

Tony advised on the benefits of views and likes on our Facebook Page and asked residents to encourage others to use it. As an example he mentioned a post about the increase of ticks on dogs at this time of year.

- Proposals for Events

A number of proposals were put forward to demonstrate how best we could utilize the Amenity Space on the former 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> holes, ranging from trimming of overgrown areas including the buggy paths, a Litter Pick-Up and a Nature Walk all to encourage use of the space for Public Benefit.

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- Any Other Business

NLC have recently opened a new children's play facility in Castlecary.

NLC would like to hear from residents about their views on air quality in their communities and ways to improve it. Action at specific locations, including Croy, has already been taken.

Tom is the contact for Neighbourhood Watch and any relevant alerts will be passed on.

- Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting is Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September at 7.45 pm in the Muirfield Centre, Cumbernauld.

Tom thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.00 pm.