

# Westerwood Community Council



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Minutes of the public meeting held at 7.30 pm on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 in the Westerwood Hotel, 1 St Andrews Drive, Cumbernauld.

## Present

Community Councillors; Tom Law (Chair), Bill Crosson (Vice Chair), Liz Coats (Treasurer), Tony Williams, May Haggerty, Wullie Kenneth, Grant Wallace, Martin Stone and Marcin Ciechowski.

Police Scotland; Adam Cameron, Brian Speirs

Approximately 32 residents from Westerwood Community.

Apologies; Councillors Alan Masterton, Danish Ashraf and Tom Fisher

## Welcome

Tom Law welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 7.30 pm.

## Minutes

Minutes from the public meeting held on 5 September, 2019 were respectively submitted by Tom Law, approved by Paul Duncan and seconded by Ian Marshall.

## Matters arising from Minutes

There were no matters raised.

### **Police Update**

In the Westerwood area there were 2 reported incidents between 5 September and 2 October. One instance of vandalism to a parked car, and the other a theft.

Speed checks continue to be carried out on Dullatur Road. Following complaints from residents the police have now included Kings Drive as a target area for speeding motorists. The recommended speed limit for all residential streets in Westerwood is 20 mph. Several residents at the meeting reported concerns over inconsiderate, on street parking, in the area and incidents of excessive speeds in the residential areas. In one early morning instance a speeding resident had to brake urgently to avoid deer on Kings Drive. Other incidents requiring emergency braking to avoid oncoming traffic in the middle of the roadway have been recorded. Residents are requested to record and report such occurrences and drivers in the area asked to show consideration to other road users by moderating their speed in the residential area to take account of road conditions and parked vehicles.

### **BBQ**

The 2 successful BBQ events held this year gave residents the opportunity to meet up with each other and improve contact with the people they see regularly in the area and develop positive relationships. This success was very well regarded and encourages us to arrange repeats in 2020. Dates will be confirmed in due course.

### **Ogilvie**

On 26 September 2019 NLC Planning Committee rejected Ogilvie's application to build 9 houses on the land between Queens Drive and Kings Drive. Several reasons were highlighted for refusal including; 'the proposal would have an unacceptable impact on established residential amenity of the area contrary to Local Plan Policy'.

### **Dog Fouling Signs**

Due to the continuing problem of dog fouling on and around the golf course, signs will be put in place requesting dog walkers to clean up after their dog and place poop in the bins provided.

### **Bollard Painting**

Thanks to the residents who have volunteered to paint the bollards in Muirfield Road as well as the residents who have made a difference to the entrance to Kings Drive by maintaining the grass areas and repairing and painting the fence and bollards.

### **Christmas Raffle**

In the run up to Christmas we will hold a raffle at our public meeting in the Westerwood Hotel on Thursday 5 December. Anyone wishing to donate a prize can hand it in at the meeting on Thursday 7 November.

### **Grit Bins**

With cold and icy weather approaching, please check location and grit levels in bins for refill. Please report any shortfalls or additional requirements.

### **Any Other Business**

Notification that NLC have approved Planning in Principle for town centre cinema.

Fraudster Alert, **BE AWARE**, especially callers asking for bank details as well as internet offers that seem too good to be true.

A question was raised about the introduction of parking charges, particularly in the Town Centre area. The Community Council will try to establish who is authorised to charge and give appropriate advice. (NLC?, Private Operators?, Town Centre Management?).

### **Next Meeting**

The date for the next meeting is Thursday, 7 November at 7.30 pm in the Westerwood Hotel, Cumbernauld.

### **Close**

Tom thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.45 pm.