

STEWARTFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Date: Tuesday 14 June 2005

Time: 8.00pm

Venue: Stewartfield Community Centre, 3 MacNeish Way, Stewartfield

Present

A Maxwell, E Young (Treasurer), G Shannon, V Yaneske, D Wallace, N Pentland (minute taker), PC Watterson, S Jess.

Apologies

S Fraser, A Vann, Cllr Hughes.

In Attendance

Cllr McCann.

39.1 Introduction

The Chair was taken by Alastair Maxwell who welcomed those present to the meeting.

39.2 Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Proposed by M Wood, Seconded by E Young.

39.3 Police Report

For the month of May,
Overall crime 12 reported / 0 detected
Violent crime 0 reported / 0 detected
Domestic House Break-ins 4 reported / 0 detected
Vehicle crime 0 reported / 0 detected
Drugs 0 reported / 0 detected
Vandalism 3 reported / 0 detected

It was commented that although it appeared there was no car crime, the 4 house break-ins resulted in the car key being stolen and used to steal cars also.

Mention was made of the facility to have a free crime prevention survey by contacting East Kilbride Police Station to arrange.

39.4 South Lanarkshire Council Report

Cllr McCann reported following some debate about the school name new school to replace St Andrews and St Brides, the Interim School Board deferred to the Councillors to come up with the name which they did – St Andrews & St Brides.

Mention was made of the continuing problem of anti-social behaviour with youths and vandalism and under age drinking. It was reiterated that all have responsibilities, and especially parents.

Planning, the Play Golf application along Stewartfield Way has been given the go-ahead.

39.5 Office Bearers' Report

Chairman

No report

Treasurer

The treasurer reported that the balance stood at £912.93 as of 31st May. No grant received yet, although it usually comes through in June.

Secretary

No report

39.6 Hollinee

Heidi Bartlett from Friends of the Earth Scotland gave a summary of recent events. The public meeting held where SEPA was invited, was successful in raising awareness and overall profile of the issue. Now that Friends of the Earth have been successful in getting things moving, it is now up to the local communities directly affected to continue the pressure for change. Heidi will be available for assisting with queries, but now needs to let the local communities take the lead.

39.7 Morrisons: Post Office & Pharmacy

There was some expectation at the meeting of representation from the Post Office, although the none of the community council were aware of anything. After some discussion it became evident that there are at least two interested parties in establishing a sub post office at either Morrisons or along at the Kingsgate Retail Park.

In particular, Lynn McLauchlan of What's The Label (beside Sainsburys) intimated that she had the agreement of Sainsburys, passed the requisite PO exams and only required the go ahead from the Post Office. This was being declined on the grounds of taking business from Calderwood Square and the Village sub post offices.

There was general surprise at this reasoning and the meeting was very supportive of the idea of the possibility of a sub post office at Kingsgate Retail Park.

39.8 Cathkin Landfill Site

Graham Shannon raised the issue of the lorries feeding the landfill site using the new GSO / M77 and then along Stewartfield Way. It was understood that only lorries coming up from Polmadie should be coming along Stewartfield Way.

39.9 Matters arising

Val Yaneske mentioned about the proposed mobile phone mast at Fairfield Place. It was understood that some properties had been consulted pre planning application. Objections could be made by residents nearby, although it is very difficult to prevent new mast where the owner of the land consents.

Douglas Wallace wanted to encourage people to attend the public demonstration on 2nd July in Edinburgh against poverty. Buses are being organised from East Kilbride and details can be obtained from Douglas (email ncdstewartfield@uk.uumail.com or phone East Kilbride 260879)

39.10 Date of next meeting 13 September.