

STEWARTFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Date: Tuesday 11 December 2007

Time: 8.00pm

Venue: Stewartfield Community Centre, 3 MacNeish Way, Stewartfield

Present

A Maxwell (Chair), A Vann (Secretary), E Young (Treasurer), S Jess, N Pentland,
V Yaneske, T Fitzpatrick

Apologies

Cllr Watson

In Attendance

Cllr McCann, Cllr Simpson, E Docherty, PC Finlay Ferguson.

61.1 Introduction

The Chair welcomed all those present

61.2 Previous Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were approved. Proposer Emily Young, Seconder Tony Fitzpatrick.

61.3 Police Report

CRIME FIGURES. 14/11/2007 TO 11/12/2007 IN STEWARTFIELD, EAST
KILBRIDE

Vandalisms

Dunlin. Scratch rear offside quarter panel of m/v. (Possibly occurred at St. Kenneth's Primary School) No CCTV or eyewitnesses to the incident.

Dentdale. Living room window smashed and m/v struck with u/k implement.
Enquiries continue.

Housebreakings

Lyell Grove. Overcome security of Garage door enter and steal property (golf clubs).
SOCE carried out and resulted negative. No overlooking property.

Road Traffic

Stewartfield Way. 22 year old male subject of a report to PF for S. 5(1) a RTA 1988
(drink driving).

Stewartfield Way and Davie's Acre. 42 year old female subject of a report to PF for

S.5 (1) a RTA 1988 (drink driving) and S. 12 Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 1937 (collect children up from school in m/v whilst drink driving).

Other

Larkspur Drive. 53 Year old female subject of a report to PF regarding BOP, Police Obstruction, Possession of Offensive weapon, and Culpable and Reckless Conduct.

MacPherson Park. 16 year old male subject of a report to PF regarding Breaching Bail conditions set by HSC, namely approaching 17 year old male. 16 year old male still to be interviewed with regards to allegation of assault.

PC Ferguson exhorted the residents to be extra vigilant against break-ins at this time of the year, as many households had a great deal of xmas presents, available to thieves.

61.4 South Lanarkshire Council report

Cllr McCann informed the meeting that he had recently met with Superintendent Bob Graham. With more community officers on the beat the result of this policy was now beginning to appear.

The bottle bank had been moved, however as the charity bins did not belong to SLC. Cllr McCann was about to approach the appropriate charity with the suggestion of moving the bins to the same location as the bottle bank. As the area belonged to Morrisons it would be their decision as to its future use.

Due to the retaining of the A and E at Monklands in its present form Cllr McCann intimated that the "Picture of Health" proposals could not now be implemented as had been hoped. The finance required to make Hunter Health Centre a focal point of primary health care in the town would not be available. Finance for other projects, like a GP surgery in EK West would also be unavailable.

The meeting was informed by Cllr McCann that the EK West seniors club (over 60's) had finally opened with their first event being lunch at the Gardenhall Inn which would be funded by SLC. All those over 60 could come along. The committee would meet on January 14.

Cllr Simpson reported that the Play Barn had agreed to extend their CCTV in a bid to cut down on any vandalism, however Morrisons were not yet forthcoming. The new traffic island on Stewartfield Way would be started in February. The program of cutting back the shrubs was ongoing.

In answer to the times of delivery at Morrisons Cllr Simpson informed the meeting that no deliveries should take place between the hours of 11pm and 6am.

The residents of Stewartfield Gardens were still concerned about the vandalism taking place and the lack of light in the approach path from Stewartfield Crescent. It was reported that people were still drinking and talking close to the flats at 4.00am.

The residents from Arrotshole Road asked if the building site opposite their court could be cleaned up. It was pointed out that unless the rubbish was causing a health hazard then this aim was difficult to achieve. Cllr McCann promised to investigate the possibility of a cleanup, and also to enquire if a date had been chosen for building work to start.

61.5 Office Bearers' Reports

Chairman

The Chair attended a meeting with Scottish water where he learned that £14 000 000 would be spent on the upgrade of the sewage treatment plant at Kittochside. Concern was expressed by residents of Strathaven and outlying villages about the amount of chlorine in the water supply and the drop of pressure which often took place. East Kilbride having a water supply from a different source was unaffected by these problems.

In spite of concern by the population on the east of the country about the shortage of water there were no plans to construct any new reservoirs.

Secretary

Nothing to report

Treasurer

The present balance is £1543.30

61.6 AOB

Nigel Pentland reported that the website had been renewed

61.7 The date of the next meeting would be 8th January 2008