

## STEWARTFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**Date:** Tuesday 12 February 2008

**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, T Fitzpatrick

### **Apologies**

V Yaneske, D Wallace, Cllr Watson

### **In Attendance**

Cllr McCann, Cllr Simpson, PC Finlay Ferguson, PC Ross Leggat (East Mains/Village)

#### **63.1 Introduction**

The Chair welcomed those present to the meeting.

#### **63.2 Previous Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Proposed by E Young, Seconded by S Jess

#### **63.3 Police Report**

Stewartfield Area 08/01/08 — 12/02/2008

##### Crimes

Theft by Shoplifting at Morrisons Supermarket, MacNeish Way, EK. Nineteen bottles of Malt whisky valued at £399.56 taken. Enquiries continue with regards to tracing male responsible.

Vandalism at Malcolm Gardens, Stewartfield, EK. Break kitchen window by throwing stone at same. No eyewitnesses to incident.

##### Road Traffic

1 male arrested for drink driving from Stewartfield Way, EK.

1 male reported for driving m/v with defective front positional lights at Stewartfield Way, EK.

1 male reported for careless driving, failing to stop after an accident, and failing to report an accident at Forecourt of Morrisons Petrol Station, MacNeish Way, EK. PC Ferguson was asked if there had been any trouble at Duncanrig School involving knives. He replied that there had been some trouble but knew nothing regarding knives. Tony Fitzpatrick stated that when schools were merged and were as big as the new Duncanrig there was bound to be some trouble at the start.

### **63.4 South Lanarkshire Council Report**

#### **Cllr McCann**

The Cllr reported that the bins at MacNeish Way would be removed this month.

In spite of the ongoing work at the roundabout on Stewartfield Way to construct a crossing the traffic appeared to be flowing reasonable well.

Cllr McCann informed the meeting that it appeared to South Lanarkshire Council that there was little opposition by Stewartfield Residents to the upgrading of Stewartfield Way to dual carriageway status. As there was a great deal of opposition, this fact should be stressed at the meeting and all residents should inform their Cllr of their opposition to the plan.

The meeting was informed of the rumour that GCC would be applying for planning permission to extend the lifespan of the landfill site. Cllr McCann reported that GCC were holding a meeting this night so he would find out if there was any substance to the rumour. Mr Andrew Hardie asked the Cllr why a crossing on Stewartfield Way was not being created at Morrisons as the bus stop was opposite this place.

Cllr McCann replied that traffic lights were not desirable as they tended to create accidents on such a busy road. The solution in operation was the one which fell within the proposed budget. The Cllr proposed to bring the statistics for people crossing Stewartfield Way to the next meeting.

Tony Fitzpatrick felt that more residents should be informed if the landfill site was to be discussed.

#### **Cllr Simpson**

As there were no street lights from Stewartfield Gardens to McArthur Drive the Cllr informed the meeting that 3 would be installed. It was confirmed that the road in front of the Play Barn as well as the lights opposite belonged to the Play Barn. As better lighting was required outside the Community Centre the Cllr proposed that he would pursue a solution to this problem at the same time as enquiring if the Council could tidy up the road in front of the Play Barn.

The need for gritting bins would be examined as some of them were now missing.

Cllr Simpson suggested that all planning applications should be perused.

### **63.5 Office Bearers' Report**

#### **Chairman**

The Chair offered congratulations to Cllr Simpson as he had become Vice Chairman for the Scottish Conservative Association.

The Chair informed the meeting of Dobbie's planning application for a site at Peel Park. He offered tracts of information and suggested that this might be a good thing for the area.

#### **Treasurer**

The treasurer reported that the balance stood at £1463.67

#### **Secretary**

The Secretary informed the meeting about Scottish Power conducting an Environmental Impact Assessment of a proposed extension to the Whitelee Windfarm site. The proposal is to increase the site by another 70 turbines. There are already 140 turbines.

As part of their consultation one of the information days will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February from 3pm until 7.30pm at East Strand Street, Newmilns.

### **63.6 Date of next meeting 11<sup>th</sup> March**