

**STEWARTFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

Date: Tuesday 10 February 2009

Time: 8.00pm

Venue: Stewartfield Community Centre, 3 MacNeish Way, Stewartfield

Present

Alistair Maxwell Chair, Tony Fitzpatrick Secretary, Maureen Watt Treasurer, Nigel Pentland, Bill Fleming, E Young, S Jess, Cllr. McCann

Apologies

Douglas Wallace, Cllr Simpson Cllr Watson

In Attendance

PC Finlay Ferguson, PC Stephen Preece

73.1 Introduction

The Chair welcomed those present.

73.2 Previous Minutes

The previous minutes were approved. Proposed by M Watt Seconded by E Young

73.3 Police Report

**CRIMES OF NOTE IN STEWARTFIELD, EAST KILBRIDE FOR THE
PERIOD 13/01/2009 — 10/02/2009**

Vandalisms

Alwyn Drive. Smashed rear window of m/v by unknown means. No eyewitnesses or CCTV.
Nothing for SOC.

Langdale. Damage rear offside wing o m/v by striking same with bottle or similar.
Enquiry still ongoing.

MacArthur Drive. Damage 2 m/vs by scoring nearside panels with sharp implements.
No CCTV or eyewitness to incident. Nothing for SOC.

MacArthur Drive. Slash two tyres with unknown implement. No CCTV or eyewitness to
incident. Nothing for SOC.

Arrotshole Court. Smash bedroom window with boulder. No CCTV or eyewitnesses to
incident. Nothing for SOC.

Other

Bellflower Grove. Theft of m/v and various Road Traffic offences namely driving m/v whilst disqualified and whilst without a certificate of insurance. 25 year old male subject of a report to the PF.

Dunrobin Crescent. S.5(10(a) RTA 1988. 61 year old male subject of a report to the PF.

Stewartfield Way. Throwing of snowball at passing m/v, smashing windscreen of same. Further enquiry ongoing.

Communication/Attendance at Council Meeting

PC Ferguson stated that as from the 23 February a further 2 community policemen would be joining West area given a total of 4 community policemen.

As of the 2 March the use of community policemen attending community council meetings would end with the sergeants possibly taking over this role. Tony Fitzpatrick highlighted his concern that the current interface allows feedback and also the recognition of the community policemen with the community.

Cllr McCann stated that SLC have provided financial support for community policemen to add further support to the community.

For contact to West area community policemen telephone 013552 564096, urgent enquiries 013552 564000 or 999.

Additional Items

The chair asked about the bicycle which had been donated by the community council, PC Preece stated that it was currently in the workshop having the labels and badges installed.

Maureen Watt highlighted that a works van was seen doing a U turn on Stewartfield Way.

73.4 South Lanarkshire Council Report

2009/10 Budget - all political parties at SLC had agreed a budget for the next financial year. The final formal stages of budget and council tax setting would take place at a full council meeting which would be held on Thursday 12 February. Cllr McCann explained that this year's budget setting processes had been difficult but it was anticipated that future years would be even more arduous. In order to ensure that all options were looked at in depth elected members would start analysing budgets and options for efficiencies for the financial year 2009/10 in March 2008.

New Pharmacy Proposal for EK West - the councillor explained that two applications had been submitted to the Pharmacy Practises Committee (PPC) of NHS Lanarkshire to open a new pharmacy in EK West; an application for Severn Road and another for the St. James Retail Centre.

The councillor explained his opposition to the Severn Road application based on traffic congestion, poor parking facilities and its close proximity to Mossneuk Primary School. In addition it would be the only pharmacy in East Kilbride placed at the heart of a residential community.

Conversely the St James Retail Centre was the perfect location; it would serve the whole community with ample parking and other retail opportunities around it. In addition a pharmacy at this location could act as catalyst for future NHS services.

The councillor asked for the community council's support for the pharmacy at the St James Retail Centre.

The chair at this point asked for the committee's views and it was agreed that a letter supporting the St. James Retail Centre would be submitted to NHS Lanarkshire.

Action Tony Fitzpatrick

Winter Maintenance - The procedures appeared to work well but the councillor agreed to pick up a few issues that had been raised by CC members.

Town Centre - the councillor provided an update on the redevelopment of the town centre.

Foxes - the councillor had received a number of complaints about foxes in the EK West area- he was currently discussing the issues with council officers and would report back to the next meeting.

73.5 Office Bearers' Report

Chairman

The chair stated that he had received a letter from Dawn Construction on the proposed retail site at College Milton Estate, Cllr McCann highlighted that no planning application had been received and it is SLCs Kitchoch Field that is the preferred site.

The chair requested that the council approve the payment of the annual £50.00 to both the secretary and treasurer. This was proposed by E Young, and seconded by S Jess. The proposal was approved.

Action Maureen Watt

Chair highlighted that with the appointment of the new secretary there was a need to approve funds for the set up of the facility. Secretary to submit receipts for payment. Proposed by S Jess, seconded by B Fleming, the proposal was carried.

Action Maureen Watt

It was noted that the secretary would not be available for next meeting; as Douglas Wallace offered to cover he was to be approached to confirm he was willing to take over these duties for the next meeting.

Action Tony Fitzpatrick

Secretary

Secretary informed the meeting that he had already forwarded a correspondence paper to the members covering all of the items which had been received by him, the offer was to allow them to view this paperwork. Copy will be attached to the minutes on the internet site.

Treasurer

The present balance was reported to be £1072.92.

73.6 AOB

A resident raised his concern about the area around Arrotshole, highlighting that one resident has a to put grill over her windows, he asked about CCTV. Cllr McCann stated that there was little hope of this but will report back at the next meeting on any actions that are being taken.

Action Cllr McCann

Chair requested that someone from the roads department come to the council to outline the strategy, Cllr McCann stated that he will action this.

Action Cllr McCann

73.7 Date of next meeting 10th March 2009, 8.00pm Stewartfield Community Council

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