

## **STEWARTFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Date:** Tuesday 8 September 2009

**Time:** 8.00pm

**Venue:** Stewartfield Community Centre, 3 MacNeish Way, Stewartfield

**Present:**

Douglas Wallace Acting Chair, Tony Fitzpatrick Secretary, Maureen Watt Treasurer, Bill Fleming, Cllr Michael McCann, Cllr David Watson, Cllr Graham Simpson.

**Apologies:**

Alistair Maxwell, Nigel Pentland, Sheila Jess, Emily Young.

**78.1 Introduction**

The Acting Chair welcomed those present and introduced the Bowel Cancer Screening programme Team .

**78.2 Presentation Bowel Cancer Screening Programme**

Alan McLean along with Lesley Reilly and Eddie Docherty highlighted the basis of the Bowel Screening process and that it would be available to all 50-74 year olds with a sample kit being sent to them at home.

Alan along with Lesley went into detail on how the kit is used and returned, the kit will be sent out every 2 years.

Eddie Docherty highlighted that over 3,000 people are diagnosed with bowel cancer every year in Scotland, bowel screening reduces bowel cancer deaths.

**78.3 Previous Minutes**

Bill Fleming proposed the minutes, seconded by Tony Fitzpatrick

**78.4 Matters Arising**

No matters were arising from the previous minutes

**78.5 Police Report**

CRIMES OF NOTE IN STEWARTFIELD, EAST KILBRIDE FOR THE PERIOD 28/07/2009—08/09/2009

PC Findlay Ferguson highlighted the following crimes:

- Serious assault, Stewartfield Community Centre, headbutt to face to hurt and injury. Enquiries ongoing to trace suspect.
- Stewartfield Way, driving whilst under the influence of alcohol. Male subject to report.
- Stewartfield Drive, female had in her possession 4.1 g of cannabis resin.
- Theft of 5 litres of petrol from pump at Morrisons MacNeish way.
- 58 Litres of petrol withdrawn from pump and drove off without paying, enquires ongoing.
- Vandalism Stewartfield Way, exit taxi and kicked bumper causing damage, enquires ongoing.

## 78.6 South Lanarkshire Council Report

The following report was provided by Councillor McCann:-

- The new Play Golf facility has opened in Stewartfield Way and the golf element is working successfully. There were issues with filling the remaining units which were being progressed with the owners Kilmartin Limited. Complaints had also been received from constituents that u-turn manoeuvres were being performed on the carriageway outside Play Golf and these matters had been brought to the attention of the roads department and the Police. If the problems persisted a more permanent solution would have to be put in place.
- Stewartfield Way had been the subject of significant traffic congestion on 29 July. Cllr McCann's investigations had discovered that Scottish Water had performed some minor road works at the top end of Stewartfield Way, beside the Museum of Rural Life and as a result one carriageway had been blocked off. This has caused chaos throughout East Kilbride and Councillor McCann advised that he had made a formal complaint to the roads department, he further advised that if Scottish Water wanted to carry out further works on the road then it had to be in full consultation with the roads department to ensure minimum disruption was caused.
- The Councillor reported that various constituents in Stewartfield had been in touch with him about nuisance hedges, trees and other vegetation and these matters were in hand.
- Gullies had been fixed at Mclvor Crescent and Stewartfield Crescent.
- Children returning to school who live in Stewartfield had been subjected to problems with school transport at the start of the new school term. Investigations had discovered that this was as a result of a lack of communication between SPT and the local authority and these matters were being dealt with to ensure that there was no re-occurrence of the problems in the future.
- Finally, Councillor McCann reported that representatives from the International Children's Games Executive Committee had visited East Kilbride in order to receive an update on the progress the Council was making towards hosting the event in 2011. Councillor McCann was delighted to report that they had received top marks for the work that had been completed thus far and that the ICG executive committee were supremely confident that we would produce a games event of the highest quality.

Cllr Watson reported:

- Opening of Playsport with the largest children play area in Scotland.
- The walking areas in the Heritage Park are subsiding and will be repaired.
- Arrotshole Road the flood and mud build up should now be fixed

- The overgrown bushes at the rear of Morrisons are their responsibility and will be dealt with by them.
- He highlighted the confusion for the first day of school with the bus pick ups, this has now been taken on by GEN coaches.

Cllr Simpson Reported:

- There was a large problem of overgrown trees behind gardens in Stewartfield.
- The new flats had been purchased, there was a discussion if the sale had went through.

### **78.7 Office Bearers' Report**

#### **Chairman**

No further items to report.

#### **Secretary**

Stated that a large number of applications under the Licensing (Scotland) Act had come through.

All community councillors had been invited to a 'Talk to-gether and question your MSPs session on the 3 October 2009.

#### **Treasurer**

The present balance was reported to be £1261.70.

### **78.8 AOB**

- A member of the public raised his concern and asked for action from the councillors on the sentence given to an EK youth which was reported in the EK News. The councillors informed this gentleman that this was not within their remit and recommended he contact the procurator fiscal.
- A member of the public thanked the councillors for having the fence erected at the new building site.
- An absent member of the community council asked for a number of points to be raised, this included that there is 20s plenty signs on all roads on the south side of Stewartfield Crescent but none on the North side. Stewartfield Drive was refused any kind of traffic calming measures about 3 or 4 years ago.

**78.9** Date of next meeting Tuesday 13 October 2009, 8.00pm Stewartfield Community Centre 3 MacNeish Way, Stewartfield.