

## **STEWARTFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL AGM MINUTES**

**Date:** Tuesday 11 November 2008  
**Time:** 7. 30pm  
**Venue:** Stewartfield Community Centre, 3 MacNeish Way, Stewartfield

### **Present**

A Maxwell (chair), N Pentland (deputy chair), D Wallace (acting secretary), E. Young, (treasurer) A. Fitzpatrick, W. Fleming, S. Jess, M. Watt, others as on separate list.

### **1 Apologies**

None received.

### **2 Nominations**

Stewartfield Church nominated Maureen Watt. and  
Mountleigh Residents Association nominated Bill Fleming.  
A. Maxwell proposed these persons as members of the Community Council, seconded by Sheelah Jess.

### **3 Election of Office Bearers**

Chairperson: Alastair Maxwell: Proposer Tony Fitzpatrick, Seconder Emily Young. With no other proposal, this was accepted.

Deputy Chair: Nigel Pentland: Proposer Tony Fitzpatrick, Seconder: Alistair Maxwell.

Secretary: no appointment: Douglas Wallace acting in interim.

Treasurer: Maureen Watt: Proposer Emily Young, Seconder: Douglas Wallace.

(Note: Tony Fitzpatrick took the chair in the interim while the nominations were heard for new chairperson)

### **4 Minutes of Previous AGM**

The minutes were approved; proposed by Alastair Maxwell, seconded by Emily Young.

### **5 Chairman's Report 2007/2008**

The Council's Elected Members are Tony Fitzpatrick, Sheelah Jess, Alistair Maxwell, Nigel Pentland, Douglas Wallace, Emily Young.

Nominated Members are Bill Fleming (Mountleigh Residents Association), Maureen Watt (Stewartfield Church).

Meetings have continued to be held on the second Tuesday of each month with the exception of July and August. With the support of the local Councillors the opportunity has been given to cover a wide range of issues, and the cooperation of Michael McCann, David Watson and Graham Simpson in addressing concerns raised promptly has been greatly appreciated. It was specially noted that PC Finlay Ferguson, our Community Policeman, has brought about tremendous change in the past year in determined and effective policing in the trouble spots for crime within Stewartfield.

All members were thanked for their support, particularly Alistair Vann for his work as Secretary in enabling correct functioning of the Council, also Emily Young the Treasurer in looking after financial matters.

Discussion centred upon the need for a further meeting to decide upon the important position of the secretary for Stewartfield Community Council. It was noted that it is within the right of the organisation to use its funds to hire a minutes secretary. Perhaps if this is covered and attention is given to defining clearly other statutory duties, the post will not seem as daunting for someone to fill. The chairman asked members to help in finding a suitable person as secretary, and to also bear in mind anyone who would work on a paid basis as minutes secretary.

#### **6 Date of Next Year's Meeting**

The date set is Tuesday 10 November 2009, at 7. 30pm in Stewartfield Community Centre.