

# **BOTHWELL COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Community Centre**  
**Fallside Road**  
**Bothwell**

**19 January, 2010**

**1. Present**

G.McLean Chairperson, J.McGuire, R. McArthur. S. Jones, T Goodsir  
P. Morgan, R.Purss, M Lummi

**2. In Attendance**

Police Con.Pullan, Scott Mochar (The Hub newspaper),  
Cllr. Devlin, Cllr. Mitchell

**3. Apologies**

S.Mowat, Cllr McGuigan

**4. Police Report**

4.1

Police officer Dave Pullan gave an up date on crimes which were reported during the month of December/to date. It had been a quiet month with a total of 26 crimes recorded. Most of these were Road Traffic offences.

4.2 Youth Initiative

This involved extra officers over Christmas period and included:

- 159 stop/search for weapons, drugs.
- 198 Licensed premises searched.
- 8 cases of alcohol had been missed.
- Reports of youth disorder in Woodlands area/David Livingstone Bridge
- Involved several youths from both Blantyre and Bothwell.

4.3 A new Police Inspector, Andy Munro has been appointed for the area and will replace Insp. Gillian Scott who has moved to Hamilton.

4.4. There will also be a new Community Police Officer appointed from 17 February, who will specifically assist Community Officer D.Pullan.

4.5 The Consultation exercise mentioned last month, is due to be completed 26 Jan.2010. There will be a 'drop in' opportunity for local residents to speak with the officers in Uddingston Police Station on that day.

4.6 Chairperson G.McLean thanked Officer Pullan for his attendance / report.

**5. Adoption of Previous Minutes**

Proposed: RMcA Second. R P.

**6. Matters Arising from last Minutes**

Silverwells House Application – Councillors reported 5 objections received.

**7. Treasurer Report** (In S.Mowat's absence given by J.McGuire)

7.1 Bank Balance to 24 Dec. 2009 £3262.54

7.2 Sec. Expenses November 08 / Jan 10 detailed /passed to Treasurer for reimbursement.

Postage:	£11.88	
Diary 2010	1.00	
HP Ink cartridges Black (Main)	11.99	
Black “	11.99	
Blue	9.99	
Yellow	9.99	
Red	9.99	
Black	1299	<u>£79.82</u>

nb\_ Does not include Norton Anti-virus Guard

**8. Correspondence** JMcG (Sec).

8.1 Bob Greenshields - Membership Application was fully discussed

Secretary explained that Bothwell Community Council is allocated 8 Elected Members . Over the past year, 2 vacancies have occurred and acting on advice given by SLC Margaret Armstrong, Community Council Liaison Officer it was agreed: Patrick Morgan, previously co opted on to the committee, would now be an elected member. Bob Greenshields would fill the other elected member vacancy.

8.2 Bothwell Community Council is allocated 4 Nominated Members.

R.Purss agreed to continue as nominated member for Evangelical Church  
M.Lummi agreed to continue as nominated member for local businesses.  
It was agreed that Sec. to write to local organisations requesting nominations to serve on the Community Council. Castle Court residents, Local Primary Schools.  
The nominees would be invited to attend the AGM when they would be duly endorsed as Nominated members. Their term of membership to be renewed on an annual basis.

### 8.3 Stewart Mowat Resignation as Treasurer and member of the C.C.

Sec.read out this Resignation.

Stewart will attend the AGM next month when he will make his report and pass over BCC accounts to new Treasurer.

Sec. to write to Stewart thanking him for all his time and efforts as Treasurer

### 8.4 SLC Margaret Armstrong – Procedures prior to and at Annual General Meeting notes.

It was agreed that the date for AGM be our next monthly meeting 22February, 2010.

Sec JMcG./Chair GMcL would follow guidance given in notes and make all necessary preparations.

### 8.5 Riva/Camphill Vaults – Application for Premises Licence

Details of Application were discussed re-

- External Drinking;
- To allow children and young persons access to the external area
- To extend hours for access for under 14s..

It was noted that some members were unhappy about **all** aspects of this application. However, Committee was too late to make observations to SLC.

## 9. **Committee Reports**

### 9.1 RMcA Reported;

Road conditions –in poor state after the bad weather. Especially singled out was an enormous pothole at the small roundabout in Fallside Road. This had been reported and SLC had ‘filled it in’ but repair had lasted only a short time and would need to be redone as a priority.

Cllrs.noted this concern

Routes to School –It was questioned whether the road along Appledore Crescent was a designated Route to School. Parents, over the years, had been advised to use this route rather than go all the way through Woodlands estate to take children to school. However this road had not been gritted over the bad weather period and other designated Routes to School had been done twice per day. It was felt that SLC ought to clarify the status of Appledore Crescent.

Cllr. Devlin agreed follow this up.

Street Grit Bins – It was explained that SLC normally granted requests for grit bins. However, this year there had been particular problems with suppliers of grit Also, grit which had been provided by SLC for particular streets appeared to have been taken by residents of other areas.

Fly Tipping Complaints – Cllr. Devlin had already dealt with a particular resident who was responsible but agreed to monitor the situation.

### 9.2 S.J. Reported:

Conservation Village Main Street- The previous month’s discussion continued;

Guidelines from SLC document ‘Shop Front Design Guide’ was explained to the Committee. This prompted a full discussion on Security Roller Blinds for Conservation Main Street shops. Only 4 shops have the proper Security blinds fitted. which comply with that suggested for Conservation Villages but shops may not have been advised by SLC.

By a majority vote, it was agreed not to approach SLC re- shop frontages in a Conservation Village. However M.Lummi, as nominated member for local businesses did agree to liaise informally with shopkeepers on planning permission for shop frontages

## **10. Planning** T.Goodsir reported

Weekly Planning Application Lists - still not receiving these despite Sec. informing SLC Building /Planning that TG is the designated person. It was previously stated that these lists are available on the SLC website by going into Enterprise Resources> Planning> but T.G. is finding difficulty in accessing these and would prefer to have paper copy.

Sec. agreed to make contact again with SLC and attempt to get this rectified.

### 7, Old Bothwell Road

Cllr Mitchell to clarify application: for 12 Detached houses as stated in plan, or is it 12 Flats.

## **11. Cllrs. Report**

### Cllr Devlin

made reference to the previous discussion on the gritting/salting of roads during the bad weather period. She re-emphasised that SLC priority was Routes to School/ Hospitals and Main Roads, which had all been kept clear.

### Relocation of Bothwell Medical Centre.

It was explained that the present Medical Centre in Uddingston Road is too small and is unable to cope with the increase in patients from the Viewpark area. It has been suggested that larger premises, located in Clyde Terrace/Nature Trail would be the preferred site option for a new build.

T.G. questioned the location, with residents being deprived of part of the Nature Trail JMcG felt an alternative might be the Kirklands Hospital site which would be more accessible to patients. However it was said that this land was not large enough.

Following a discussion on the advantages /disadvantages of the Clyde Terrace location, it was said that negotiations are ongoing and still at an early stage.

Cllr. Devlin would keep the C.C. up to date on this.

### Cllr Mitchell

Proposed a vote of thanks to employees of SLC, commending their efforts in gritting and salting roads over the weeks of the Christmas/New Year Holidays their success in keeping schools/hospitals/main routes open.

Potholes in Griqua Terrace - Marco of the Grapevine, who had previously indicated his intention to repair these holes in the road, informed Cllr Mitchell that as there was now a dispute between himself and the residents of Griqua Terrace the repairs would not take place.

Cllr. Mitchell will speak with the Co-op regional manager regarding the road.

## **12. A.O.C.B.**

12.1 G.McL made comment on the street lighting in Fallside Road which had been out for at least 4 weeks. It was explained that this had been due to a road traffic accident and had been exacerbated by the bad weather  
The lighting has now been repaired.

12.2 T. Goodsir addressed Cllr Mitchell re- Graffiti in the Nature Walk.  
Cllr. Mitchell agreed to follow up this complaint.

## **13. Date of next Meeting.**

AGM 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2010. 7.30pm. Community Centre, Fallside Road, Bothwell.

**JMcGuire Secretary**

**All questions/responses/contributions must be directed through the Chair. If you wish to speak, please indicate to the Chair by raising your hand.**