

BORESTONE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 15 March 2006 at 7.00pm in Borestone Primary School

Present: J Bruce (Chair), D Cooke, A Black, P Coyne, M McCaffery, M Ewbank, M Allan, A Smith, M Curry, C Reid (Notes), C Campbell (Notes)

In Attendance: R Knox, C Hamilton, M Bruce, A Jamieson, A McLuckie, J Kelly, S Jamieson, A Simpson, Cllr A Harding

1. Apologies

Ian Crawford

2. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

Minutes proposed: A Smith

Seconded: M McCaffery

Community Cluster meeting on 14 March cancelled due to bad weather. Next meeting in April.

3. Police Report

PC Park unable to attend meeting - no report.

4. Planning Report

Jim Bruce gave an update on Cultenhove Regeneration progress.

Borestone Community Council have received notification that the number of houses proposed for Green Belt Site has been reduced from 8 to 6. This is due to pressure from the local community. The 6 proposed houses are still at planning stage and no decision has been made. Jim informed the meeting that Planning Committee will meet on Thursday 30 March 2006, representatives from Community Council will attend and raise concerns about the various planning objections raised with them. Jim invited members of the public to write in to Planning Services within Stirling Council with their concerns. Jim read out objections already submitted to Planners. Councillor Harding advised group to raise objections and continue pressure regarding green space and environmental concerns in the locality.

There has been no input from Roads Department regarding traffic management in and around proposed new housing. Assessments are ongoing. A Smith proposed that a direct road from new housing to school would be required.

R Knox also is concerned about the volume, timing and size of traffic travelling to and from the demolition site etc. He was advised to put his concerns in writing and submit to Planning and Roads Departments.

5. Council grass cutting policy for 2006

There is to be a 15% reduction on grass cutting for 2006. Grass will not be collected after each cut as it is too expensive. A short written report from G Weir was circulated in his absence, informing the meeting that the contract is due to be signed in the next 2/3 days.

6. Report on Health Service Meeting

M Allan circulated a short report and background paper on aims of Forth Valley NHS PPF. She explained that it has been suggested that everyone attending each meeting should bring along a partner to the next meeting. This is a strategic way to get the word out to a greater number of people.

R Knox gave a short update on Orchard House development. Bids due out shortly. It is hoped to submit plans to Historic Scotland shortly - this has to be done as new development in conservation area. Completion due in 2010.

7. Pedestrian Crossing at Glasgow Road

Work to commence on Monday 20 March 2006.

8. Correspondence

2nd consultation paper on Forestry Ecology Strategy circulated.
Local Government Boundary Commission - election boundaries for 2007 local elections.

9. Any other business

St Ninians Trust Summer Activities Programme - funding now in place for room in Mayfield Centre. Ross Johnston tabled the idea on encouraging school children to make a sentence containing a Scots word. This will be a competition for the children with a prize for the winning sentence.

Funding now also in place for an entry to web site.

Cowie Kids - idea leaflet circulated.

St Ninians Old Parish Church Tower - there is still some snagging work to be done. Stirling Council has awarded £1,000 from Common Good Fund to help with costs for clock repairs. It is anticipated that clock will be repaired by end of March. Question was asked about boundary wall at burial ground. It is hoped that people will be able to access ground easily after completion of work on Tower.

A Simpson - prospective candidate for Labour Party in forthcoming Borestone By-election, told the meeting that he has been informed that not all of St Modan's School will be demolished. Part will be retained for community use. Cllr Harding commented that she was unaware of any change of plans for the school area.

10. Date and time of next meeting

Wednesday 19 April 2006 at 7.00pm in Borestone Primary School