

## **Minute of the Meeting of Torbrex Community Council held in St Ninians Primary School at 7.15 pm on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2007.**

1. **Present:** Councillors – Murray Dickie, Brendan Docherty, Jim Docherty, Caroline Edward, Genia Graham, Bob Johnson, Julia Leftwich & Sue Ridler.

Bob Inglis, Valerie Inglis, Ian Robertson, David Mitchell, Cllr Neil Benny, Hirek Kwiatowski, Margaret Duff, Eleanor Niven, Anne Sullimann. Guest; Bill Eadie.

2. **Apologies:** Michael & Joyce Green, Bill Sim, Marjory & Alan McInnes, Wilson Jamieson, Cllr. Andrew Simpson, Cllr. Scott Farmer and Valerie Mulligan.

3. **Minute of the Previous Meeting:** The Minute of the Meeting of 26<sup>th</sup> September was accepted as an accurate record. Proposed by Genia Graham, and seconded by Caroline Edward.

4. **Matters arising:** Hirek raised concerns about the standing of the Friends of Beechwood Park. Murray agreed to hold a public meeting about this which would be publicised in our newsletter. A suggested date for a preliminary meeting was agreed for Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November in Stirling High School. Torbrex Community Council would arrange and chair the meeting, the purpose of which would be to clarify the remit of the Friends of Beechwood Park Group and its relationship with Torbrex Community Council.

5. **Beechwood Park:** Bill Eadie of Children's Services, Stirling Council had been invited to the meeting to discuss developments relating to Beechwood Park. He reported that approximately £160,000 (perhaps plus some £27 – 28,000 planning gain from the Tannson Development) would be available for improvements in Beechwood Park. Stirling Council would fully consult with the community bringing forward a range of options. Stirling Council would canvas views from residents and schools which would culminate in an exhibition held over a weekend in the Scout Hall in Torbrex. Bill was unable to provide a time frame for this activity as health & safety work at King's Park was the immediate priority.

Hirek Kwiatowski stated he was heartened everyone would be given the opportunity to take part in the consultation. Murray Dickie reminded members that we should make our neighbouring community councillors, Borestone & King's Park, aware of what was being planned.

6. **Beechwood Scouts Update:** David Mitchell provided an update on improvements being carried out at the Scout Hall. New fencing was being erected and landscaping work was due to begin between the 5<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> October. Heating improvements would be completed by the end of March 2008. They were also hoping to create an access point beyond the present boundary to allow access to the park. Murray Dickie suggested Torbrex Community Council and Active Stirling could jointly carry out a survey of user needs in the Scout Hall during January/February 2008.

7. **Area Forum Report:** It was accepted that final decisions had been reached about the Orchard House development and it was noted that Forth Valley Health Board had now appointed a transport co-ordinator. Regarding the Community Hospital; it was agreed that Torbrex Community Council should pursue a full and transparent engagement with the Health Board to ensure that patient and community needs are recognised and delivered.

Murray Dickie provided a brief update on the roads strategy meeting that he had attended on 27<sup>th</sup> August.

8. **A.O.C.B.:** The future of Stirling Ice Rink; there was a discussion on the future use of the site currently occupied by the Ice Rink which will be moving to Forthside. It was agreed that Torbrex Community Council should attempt to find out what the site may be used for in the future.

9. **Dates of Meetings:** (SNP = St Ninians Primary, SHS = Stirling High School)

Thur 25 Oct SHS    Tues 27 Nov SNP

Wed 19 Dec SHS    Thur 24 Jan 2008 SNP