



# Torbrex Community Council

Minute of the meeting of the Community Council due held in  
St Ninians Primary School at 7.15 pm on Thursday 26th February 2009.

1. **Present: Community Councillors** - Murray Dickie, Brendan Docherty, Jim Docherty, Genia Graham, Hirek Kwiatkowski and Sue Riddler. In attendance - Margaret Duff, Joyce Green, Michael Green, Bob Inglis, Vilmarie Inglis, George McCulloch, Allan Macintyre, Marjorie Macintyre, Cllr Andrew Simpson and WPC Katherine Kirsop.
2. **Apologies:** Bob Johnston and Julia Leftwich.
3. **Minute of the Previous Meeting:** With the addition of Allan and Marjorie Macintyre to the “present” list, the minute was agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.
4. **Matters arising:**
  - a) St Ninians Community Trust: Eleven local organisations were in attendance and first impressions were that it was a successful event, meeting its criteria of bringing like-minded local groups together to network and share views.
  - b) Area Forum: The 05 Area Forum hopes to organise an open day in Stirling high school to encourage community use.
  - c) Withdrawal of Bus Service: It is understood that the service is being reduced from one hour to two hours. It was agreed to monitor this.
  - d) Lighting of Temporary Footpath: It was agreed to check that this was being put in place.
5. **Friends of Beechwood Park:** Hirek reported that the friends were concerned at the slow rate of progress regarding the production of a master plan for the future development of the park. The Lottery award was integrated into the plan and there was an amount of £167k still waiting to be spent. Hirek also referred to the continuing problem of dog fouling and the lack of sufficient bins to alleviate the problem. Councillor Simpson stated that he would raise this matter with Stirling Council and report back to Torbrex Community Council. Murray asked that Stirling Council should put up notices forbidding dog owners from allowing their dogs to play in the park within the children’s play park area. It was agreed that Stirling Council’s Dog Warden should be invited to our March meeting.
6. **Community Police Report:** WPC Kirsop delivered her report. In the past month there had been 9 criminal offences, 3 traffic offences and 3 detections. The problem with pupils being disruptive at St. Valery Drive had now been dealt with by working with the teaching staff at Stirling High School. She also reported that a car had been vandalised in Lennox Avenue and a house had been broken into in Birch Avenue.
7. **Forth Valley Health Board:** Correspondence had been received from Forth Valley Health Board inviting members to an open meeting on 18th March 2009 in the Lecture Theatre, Conference Centre, Stirling Royal Infirmary – 6pm for 6.30pm start. Topics to be discussed are: “NHS 24” – NHS Forth Valley out of hours service; “An update on Primary Care Services for Stirling City” and “Selection of a Deputy Public Partnership Forum Representative”. It was noted that NHS Forth Valley has indicated a preference to keep two centres, one in the north on the Orchard House site and one for the south of Stirling at the Stirling Royal Infirmary site.
8. **Stirling Council Development Plan: Community Involvement in the Development of a Single Outcome Agreement for Stirling Council (2009-10):** Murray reported that the Stirling Community Planning Partnership is now developing the Single Outcome Agreement for 2009/2010 (SOA) The purpose of the Single Outcome Agreement between Stirling Council and the Scottish Government is to improve both the quality of life and opportunities for the people of Stirling and

Scotland. Torbex Community Council has been invited to participate in a seminar on Monday 23rd March 2009, Council Chambers, Old Viewforth, Stirling. The purpose of the seminar is to explore how the SOA could make a difference to local priorities; to consider whether there are common themes emerging across rural and urban communities; to hear about the progress which the Community Planning Partnership has made in drafting the SOA, and to consider the most useful approach to future Community engagement in the SOA.

9. **AOCB:** WPC Kirsop advised that Central Scotland Police will be monitoring the speed of drivers on the A811 over the next few years. Police cars will be deployed at various points along the road.

Brendan Docherty had contacted Stirling Council Planning Department about the regulations governing satellite dish aerials and had been advised that the regulations are regarded as guidelines and therefore not enforceable.

**10. Dates of Next Meetings:**

Tue 31 Mar in Stirling High School, April - No Meeting, Thur 28 May in St Ninians Primary School (AGM), Tue 30 June in Mayfield Centre, Wed 22 July in Mayfield Centre, Thur 27 August in St Ninians Primary School, Tue 29 September in Stirling High School, Wed 28 October in St Ninians Primary School, Thur 26 November in Stirling High School and December - No Meeting.