STONEHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chairman: George Smith, 6 Naismith Court, Stonehouse. Tel 01698 793946 Secretary: Robert Freel, 75 Lockhart Street, Stonehouse 01698 793498

Minutes of meeting 19-05-2008

1 MEMBERS PRESENT & APOLOGIES

R. Freel, W. Mackie, A. Paterson, Mary Casey, R Craig, Cllr. W. Holman and 14 members of the public

Apologies: G Smith, Cllr G Campbell, W Craw

In Chairs absence Robert Craig took chair and welcomed everyone to the meeting

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

Were accepted by those present. Proposed A Clark, Seconded M Grant

3 POLICE REPORT

No Report as no police presence at meeting

4 BUSSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

None

5 CORRESPONDANCE

R Freel highlighted items for discussion with certain items were carried over to appropriate agenda item.

6 SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

6.1 UPDATE OF MEETING

• R Freel and W Mackie met with South Lanarkshire Council officers, Colin McDowall, Joan Knox, David Ackerman and Morag Little. R Freel provided an update.

Structure Plan passed and is in six week challenge stage

Local plan has had five reporters appointed and it is hoped that the reporters will be able to provide their final report by early September. Full adoption would be next March. The community hall is not expected to come out with the plan however the reporters are not expected to raise concerns over the plan. The community council had hoped that the Football academy and the community hall would start together however planners are indicating that it will be the community hall followed by the football academy and the green belt housing release. The planning application has still to be made for the community hall.

Community Council need to contact N Anderson

Planning Gain: The community council sought answers as to why no planning gain was sought from the developers of Phase two of Persimmons homes at Canderside gate and the hospital site. Planners felt that the developers were paying for large road infrastructure. No Bonds had been obtained for work yet planning and roads.

A dedicated team within SLC is being looked at to control planning gain

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Regeneration;

The community council were seeking to establish if any monies were available to take the cross development further however no development monies were available. J Knox reported that the years defects Liability period was almost up and the council would be making a final inspection.

Community council could feed into this if required. Contact Tony Mallaghan. The cleaning of the paving was requested.

Question on the capital budget allocation were also answered.

Regeneration team were asked if they were assisting the Brighter Village, however they were only advising on funding routes.

Roads

John Cameron the roads engineer had moved to Rutherglen and two new engineers were covering our area. Alan Cunningham and Damien Gibson. Work was scheduled to be undertaken on Strathaven Road, Sidehead road and section of the A71. Lining work was also planned.

Dave Ackerman was asked what the council's policy on re-instatements was for Utility opening. There is a one year's defects period and as long as the re-instatement falls within a set tolerance it will pass.

The Canderside gate residents warning lights and crossing was also discussed.

Following this report:

Members of public raised issues on

Speeding on Sidehead road Dog Fouling on Sidehead road Drains at Murray Drive

7 HEALTH MATTERS

 W Mackie drew everyone's attention to a consultation document circulating at present and how important it was to make comment. Willie had complained to the Health service about the response timetable being to short.

8 UTILITIES

8.1 WATER

• Nothing to discuss..

8.2 GAS

• Nothing to discuss

8.3 ELECTRICITY

• Nothing to discuss

9 TRANSPORT

• R Freel has sought a report on vandalism on shelters

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10 REPORTS

10.1 ELECTED MEMBERS

COUNCILLOR W HOLMAN

- Council have signed an agreement with Strathclyde Police to provide additional community police. A copy of the report will be sent to secretary.
- W Mackie asked about illegal signs at Persimmons site. Cllr Holman will investigate.

10.2 TREASURER

• £589.55 in the bank and the books from last year are still at the CA.

11 WAR MEMORIAL

• W Mackie reported that the grant submission with the heritage group had been unsuccessful and was rejected on the heritage groups constitution which had previously been acceptable.

12 A.O.C.B

- Robert Craig asked Andrew Clark if he would be willing to be the presiding officer for the forthcoming community council triennial election. Andrew agreed.
- Andrew Clark asked if minutes and Agenda could be left outside the meeting prior to the 7.30 start. This was agreed.

Next meeting is on Monday 16/6/08at the public institute