

**Banknock, Hags & Longcroft Community Council**

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2007**

<b><u>In Attendance</u></b> -	A Little	Chairperson
	J Blackwood	Secretary
	S McArthur	Treasurer
	A O'Donnell	Member
	G Binnie	Member
	C Wilson	Member
	4 Members of the Public	

**Apologies** - L Graham – M Pollock – Constable I Taylor

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting** –

The minutes of the meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> March 07 were agreed as a true account of that meeting.

**Business Arising** –

Who owns the pond that is causing flooding on Kilsyth Road is still under investigation.

Breast Screening Service – An apology has been received from this group in relation to the requirement recently for women in the area having to travel to Camelon for the service. This was a one off and should not happen again.

Parking at Denny Tipper yard – Constable Taylor spoke to a representative of the Company and was promised the problem would be rectified and that all drivers are aware of the complaint.

**Reports** –

Chairman – Had contacted Kay Trodden of Falkirk Council regarding the area's litter problem. She has attended the area and promised a fast reaction to improve the situation.

Secretary – Reported that outline planning permission had been granted to build a sports centre adjacent to Bankier Primary School. He also reported that a stage 2 application for funding was being considered by SportsScotland. A letter was sent on behalf of the Community Council supporting the local resident's objection to Cowdenhill Quarry's proposed expansion.

Treasurer – The current bank balance stands at £1154.69. It was agreed to donate £150 to the forthcoming bus outing for local residents over the age of fifty.

A O'Donnell – Reported 667 signatures to letters objecting to, the proposed plans by Cowdenhill Quarry to build tar and concrete block plants at their site, were gathered and sent to the Scottish Executive.

Constable I Taylor – In his absence Ian forwarded a written report. Several parents spoken to about dropping children of on the chevron lines at Bankier primary School.

A 12 year old boy was charged and reported in relation to grass fires. Enquiries continue into the graffiti on the side of the Spar shop in Bog Road and a house in Laburnum Road. An individual has been identified and is now being traced.

There have been a number of acts of minor vandalism over the month along with the willful fire-raising of a car and caravan in Longcroft.

There was a number of minor road traffic offences i.e. use of mobile phones whilst driving. A speed gun was also used in areas where speeding is known to occur and this had the effect of slowing the traffic.

### **Correspondence** –

Scottish Executive Cowdenhill Quarry appeal – Falkirk & District Community Safety Panel AGM – Review of Marches & Parades in Scotland, it was agreed to opt in for consultation of public processions – List of Justices of the Peace – Friends of the Earth – Kelvin Park News letter – Biodiversity News letter – Appeal to the Scottish Executive against Falkirk Council's decision to refuse planning permission for house building on a site in Longcroft – Planning and Transportation - Local Plan, the secretary gave an in depth account of contents of the local plan in relation to our area.

**Any Other Competent Business –**

A Hags resident spoke to the meeting of the problems with car parking in John Street. The secretary will inform Constable Taylor of the problem.

A resident from Banknock complained about under age drinking taking place in the Bog Road area. The secretary will inform Constable Taylor of the problem.

It was agreed to congratulate Councillor Pollock on her retirement and thank her for her contribution to the community and to our community council during her years in office.

**Next Meeting – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May 07 at 6.30pm in the Banknock Community Centre.**