



MINUTES OF STRATHBLANE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Monday 7th March 2016 in the Primary School
Final for approval**

Members Present: - Alan Hutton, Richard Arnold, John Gray, Elspeth Neill, Julie Hutchison, Willie Oswald, Grace Edmonds, Avril Keen, Marian Lever, Sue Rand and Rob Davies.

In attendance: Tony Rankine, Ben Pentland of Westpoint Homes; Tony Teasdale, Campbell Hall and Andrea Curley of RSHA; Sgt David McNally, Cllr Graham Lambie + 11 residents.

*(SC = Stirling Council. CC = Community Council. CDT= Community Development Trust *
Denotes an action)*

1. Welcome from the Chair and any apologies

AH welcomed all present to the meeting in the absence of MV on holiday.

Apologies – Margaret Vass and Grace Edmonds.

2. Declaration of interests –

RA indicated a potential interest in the discussions on the web site, when he would refrain from involvement. Otherwise none.

3. Police report – from Sgt David McNally

After a warm welcome from the community and congratulations on his promotion, Sgt McNally presented the police report which covered several items of thefts, antisocial behaviour and a road accident resulting in a severe back injury to a motorcyclist. It was only thanks to the avoiding action taken by the car driver involved that matters were not worse.

The meeting was advised that a national speeding campaign was in force.

Cllr Lambie raised a query regarding stop and search measures, which he had heard had been relaxed. Sgt McNally said that new guidelines had been issued and that local PC's did not do this unless suspicions have been raised.

Full police report on-line in **Appendix I** at www.strathblanefield.org.uk.

4. Housing site to the south of the A81, Westpoint Homes/RSHA.

Tony Rankine gave a presentation on behalf of Westpoint Homes, giving details of his company's 34 year's experience and examples of some of their projects. They generally build bespoke houses to suit the location, topography and client needs and this site was planned as a 19 home development; 13 possibly split-level private homes and 6 assorted affordable homes which it was hoped might be developed with Rural Stirling Housing Association. He said that the project was in early-day stages looking at topography, but he was able to show a tentative site layout where the road access was off the A81 at the SE corner of the site, where despite the bends in the road, sightlines looked satisfactory. A new foot-path bordering the site on the main road was proposed as well as footpath links to the village. Septic tanks from the properties above would be connected to mains sewers. A tentative programme was for submission of a

planning application by 10th June allowing 7/8 months for consultations and a possible start on site in mid Feb 2017.

Various questions included a request that a Community Panel be formed as was the case with the Cala consultations; 19 houses equating to more than 6 affordable homes (a contribution to SC would resolve this); lack of a roundabout at the main road access and a request that the project should be designed to encourage walking and cycling – routes to be determined.

Another important issue raised by Edward Pickard was that a **community gain** of an improved road junction at the Milndavie Road /Old Milngavie Road must be part of the bargain with the owners of “Blue Risk” who own the land and should be negotiated as a condition of purchase of the land.

Tony Teasdale then spoke on behalf of RSHA and commented on the satisfactory outcome for the Cala site of working with the Community Panel and that this was a good model to emulate here, to the benefit of all parties. Westpoint indicated their willingness to be involved in this with two lay members from the community also invited. Further discussion of this would be done at the April meeting of the CC.

TT said that the current plans for the affordable homes were 2xbungalows, 2x 2 bed homes and 2x 3 bed homes which would be located near the entry to the site.

5. Local Letting Initiative for RSHA homes at Campsie Road. – from Tony Teasdale.

TT advised the meeting that allocation of homes was based on a points system. Two thirds of lets go to residents of the CC area and at this location there are 14 homes to be let. Stirling Council will have the right to place a percentage of the lets and these will usually be from the local area for residents, for example, needing to downsize or having special housing needs. The current SC waiting list is 550 with 112 wanting to live in Strathblane. Houses are allocated as per a priority allocation list, Priority 1 being from Strathblane, but the common register requires attainment of 40 points prior to this stage. There are currently 35 residents on the Priority 1 list.

It is intended that houses will be allocated to applicants at the end of June this year and an advert will be placed in the Blane Valley Bulletin for final applications.

Presentation details on-line in **Appendix II** at www.strathblanefield.org.uk.

6. Minutes of February’s meeting and matters arising.

The minutes were approved by JH and seconded by EN.

Matters arising:

Item 4) Scottish Water update –SW had paid £30K to the CDT as a contribution to the footpaths upgrade and £12K to the Allotments group for a water supply project - which is now nearly completed.

Item 11) b) Flooding outside the Coop – no progress yet.

d) Danny’s Brae hedges - these will be dealt with during the forthcoming upgrade.

e) Neil Pirie of SC Roads had advised that bollards would be installed to highlight the road narrowing/traffic calming on Campsie Road.

Item 13) Cuilt road junction at Carbeth; work is under way to good effect , but damage to adjacent pavements has been done which will require remediation.

ML advised that she had ordered new defibrillator batteries and pads at an approx cost of £70 +VAT. She wondered if we might be able to find someone in the community to sponsor this cost.

Item 13 AOCB; AK will contact Alan Barnes-Graham re the possibility of gifting a section of ground to the community for construction of a safe footpath for West Highland Way walkers.

7. Health and social care integration/ Strathendrick Care Home – from Marian Lever.

There were three issues to cover under this item

1. StrathendrickCare Home.

The meeting held in Balforn High School on 23 February to discuss this issue was attended by representatives of all local communities including Strathblane, several staff of Stirling Council involved in the integration process and the REACH Community Rehab team from the Health Board. The meeting was informed that the Council had changed their plans to sell the Home at present though they do have the legal right to do so despite community views that it had been gifted and could not be sold. There may be potential to develop it to provide intermediate care for the locality. This winter 5 beds used for intermediate care of local residents and two beds had been used for respite care to support carers. Re-enablement is usually 6 weeks but in the rural area it was more usually 8 weeks given the difficulty of resourcing the identified ongoing care package. There is a need for more respite care to support carers. Whilst Strathendrick offers some local care at present, there are discussions about the potential of the Killearn Hospital site as a potential care hub for a range of intermediate care, using private financing if the issue of contaminated land can be resolved. Cherry Trees in the Home's grounds is now the local base for the Reach Team, Reenablement Team and MEARS, the current deliverers of care packages. There are discussions about basing MECS resources there and the development of local volunteers as first responders similar to the defibrillator scheme. Partnership working between the Council and Forth Valley College are developing study opportunities to build on the school provision of courses in Social care into an HNC with the Council providing placements. The implementation of the Living wage for care workers should make this a more attractive career for young people and improve the resource of trained people locally. Other potential developments are the increased use of Telecare using video links and volunteer activities like mealmakers in Dundee, a scheme in which volunteers offer to make a meal for a local elderly resident and share it with them, offering social contact as well as food.

Whilst there are many good ideas, until the budget for the Joint Integration Board is known, it is difficult to predict what will be possible. The Joint Board with its budget will operate from the beginning of April. The next meeting of the group, to be held on 22 March at 1.30 in Balforn Campus will be attended by Grace Edmonds and Julie Hutchison.

2. The Community Council was asked to approve a letter written by Margaret Vass to Bruce Crawford concerning difficulties faced by the local surgery getting Larbert, Queen Elizabeth II or Glasgow Royal to accept acutely ill patients and asking for his help. This was given unanimously and the suggestion made that strong letters on behalf of the Community should also be sent to the Chief Executives of the two Health Boards

3. The Communities' attention was drawn to the Strathblane Community Care Model Launch Day hosted by Strathblane Parish Church on 30th April 2016. Leaflets would be distributed giving full details.

8. Broadband update.

MV has been leading this project up until now and has attended consultations lead by Killearn CC. trying to get more broadband cabinets to speed up the service in our village. Some areas already updated appear to be giving problems eg AK at Carbeth.

Rob Davies agreed to be involved with further progress on this broadband issue.

9. Issues for young people.

JH said that during the Area Forum meeting, Elaine Bannatyne, the head teacher gave a very short presentation. She informed us that the 20th April had been set aside for the event at Balfron. They have called it:

“Encouraging Pupil Voice and Participation in our Community”.

The purpose of the event is to raise awareness of the wide range of volunteering, work experience and community voice opportunities/activities that exist in the local villages associated with Balfron High. There will be a key note speaker followed by pupil tasks. Three areas will be set up

-Volunteering

-Work experience opportunities

-Community Council/Futures Groups

The school are looking for volunteers to represent the above areas.

10. Planning and licensing – from Avril Keen

There have been no significant applications in the past month.

There have been some hut planning applications – on old foundations.

EN reported that she had noticed complaints from a number of residents on the village facebook page regarding the height of the new house being built at Milndavie Crescent and wondered if it had been referred to the community council.

11. Elected member report – from Cllr Graham Lambie

The council budget was approved on Thurs 25th Feb and he reported that some of the contentious cuts had been reprieved. Further items reported on : Road end collection proposal – collections from larger groups of houses with good access being retained; Strathblane library - relocation reprieve; Rural road safety programme - £1.7 M budget; Council Income generation feedback; Strathendrick Care Home –feedback on recent meeting; Killearn Hospital site – possible uses; Roads maintenance programme - still to be finalised; as well as various other items relating to the area.

It appears that incorporation of Cambusbarron into the SW area ward may be going ahead. Cllr Lambie is totally opposed to this.

ML queried whether the integrated joint health and social care committee would have a member to represent the rural wards.

WO raised three issues:

a) suggested that the CC should again raise the issue of upgrading the A811 to Trunk Road status. He suggested that the CC write to the Transport Secretary re this. There was unanimous support for this. He will prepare a draft proposal.

b) The proposed walkers car park near Glengoyne distillery has never materialised and the planning application has lapsed. It appears that Duntreath Estates may now have different plans for this.

c) He queried how the contamination at Killearn Hospital had come about. Was this from the buildings themselves. Answer not known.

Cllr. Lambie's full report on-line in **Appendix III** at www.strathblanefield.org.uk.

12. Community comments.

RA reported the grant success from the War Memorial Trust to upgrade the War Memorial site. He will order the works from the preferred bidder, John Currie Brick and Stonework from Balfron.

MV had heard of concerns about a plan to reduce trees in height at a key entrance to the village by walkers and cyclists from Lennoxton adjacent to the manse. There is little the CC can do about this.

There were still ongoing complaints from residents about inconsiderate parking on pavements, especially around the surgery. This may be addressed by a Bill currently in front of parliament to outlaw the practice. A note will be placed in the BVB about inconsiderate parking. Further, roadway blockage by large lorries delivering to the Coop was worrying some residents.

WO also suggested a note should also be inserted in the BVB re littering in the village. He has written to the council regarding provision and distribution of litter bins – not enough of them.

13. Finance – from Sue Rand

The Current Account stands at £3230.00 and the Instant Saver account at £2318.00.

As a grant of £450 is available which must be taken up quickly, approval for the website is needed if we are to be able to claim this.

Website - JG and RD had been looking into a modern website design. A spend of £1000 had been approved and a quotation of £1080+Vat (£1296) had been received from Posh Communications on the basis of 50% with order and 50% on completion. A new logo would be designed for the village at no extra cost.- perhaps having echoes of the recently installed village notice board style. The quotation was accepted and SR suggested that it be paid from the Current account. JG to place an order.

14. Area Forum report back

Customer Development Manager for SC, Gillian Taylor.gave a presentation called Community Test Sites Project- Listening and Learning with our Communities.

There had been discussions regarding Broad band and Priority Based Budgeting.

13. Date of next meeting – Monday 4th April 2016 in Village Club

Blane Valley Bulletin Copy date Wednesday 13th April 2016

Contact us at cc@strathblanefield.org.uk . Telephone numbers for Community Councillors are on the notice boards, in the library and in the Blane Valley Bulletin.

Appendices I, II and III follow on line only at www.strathblanefield.org.uk

Appendix I Full Police report on-line only at www.strathblanefield.org.uk

Community Council:

Forth and Endrick, Strathblane Community Council

Reporting Period:

March 2016 Compiled by PC 660 Steven Graham

Ward Plan Priorities

Antisocial Behaviour

On 6th February 2016 youths had fallen out re social media which culminated in one group going to a local house to speak to another about messages he posted. This resulted in one youth going too far and subsequently being arrested for a statutory breach of the peace.

Overnight on 7th-8th February 2016 a window of a caravan was smashed by persons unknown whilst parked at Auchengillan Scout Camp.

On 13th February 2016 a report was received of a noisy party in the Village Club. Noise was not excessive on Police arrival however organiser made aware of complaint. Event was just finishing.

On 28th February 2016 a male was found in possession of a quantity of cannabis in Glasgow Road, Blanefield.

Theft

On 5th February 2016 a vehicle was broken into when parked within the Visitors Centre Car Park and a sat nav stolen.

Overnight on 12-13th February 2016 a house was broken into in Southburn Road. Keys for a vehicle were taken and the vehicle stolen.

Overnight on 21-22nd February 2016 a quantity of lead was stolen from a roof within the Visitor's Centre at Mugdock Country Park.

Overnight on 22nd-23rd February 2016 a theft of a trailer occurred from a farmhouse on the A809 near to Carbeth.

Road Safety

On 13th February 2016 due to the icy conditions a vehicle skidded off the road on the Stockiemuir Road near to Carbeth. No injury sustained.

On 2nd March 2016 a Road Traffic Collision occurred involving a car and a motorcyclist. Rider of the motor cycle taken to hospital and has suffered a serious back injury.

Community Engagement and Reassurance

PCs Steven Graham and Raymond Murphy are the Ward officers in the Forth and Endrick area. It is our intention to engage with the local community more than in the recent past has allowed us to. Please feel free to email any concerns to the email address below.

Other Incidents / Activity of note

There were two reports of dog bites received.

On 31st January 2016 a 6 year old girl was bitten by a dog whilst within the park. No injury was sustained to the girl.

On 20th February 2016 within Mugdock Country park, a dog attacked another dog.

Both of these were referred to the dog warden.

Issues raised

Community Council Feedback

Your Community Team are: Constables Steven Graham and Raymond Murphy
They can be contacted via the email address ForthEndrickCPT@scotland.pnn.police or by phoning 101
We regularly publish information on the 'Forth Valley Police' Facebook page and tweet using @StirlingPol

Appendix II - Local Letting Initiative from RSHA at www.strathblanefield.org.uk.

Rural Stirling Housing Association

- Established 1990 to meet housing needs in the rural

N & W Stirling Council area

- A Registered Social Landlord (RSL) & a Scottish Charity.
- Overseen by a volunteer Management Committee
- 576 homes now in management – mainly for rent
- Range of sizes/ types - general and particular needs
- “Scottish Secure Tenancies” and affordable rents (average £73 per week).
- Staff team based in our Doune office
- A programme of new homes to help deliver the Stirling Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP)

Site south of A81

- An opportunity that has recently arisen
- Initial thoughts on housing mix:
 - 2 x bungalows
 - 2 x 2 bed houses
 - 2 x 3 bed houses
- Housing needs assessment ongoing
- Proposed consultation about the detail of the affordable homes: through a Community Panel – to be appointed by the C.C.
- 2 or 3 meetings – between end of April and end of June
- Meetings also to be attended by Westpoint Homes

RSHA Housing Allocations

- Registered Social Landlord (RSL) – legal and regulatory requirements
 - RSHA Housing Allocations Policy (see www.rsha.org.uk)
- addressing housing needs
- supporting sustainable communities
- objective assessment – points system
- fair , a right of appeal
- Sources of new tenants:
- RSHA housing list

- Transfer list
- Nominations from Stirling Council (up to 50%)

Key Statistics

- Around 550 applicants on our housing list
- Around 30-40 re-lets per year, plus any new homes
- Previous circumstances (13/14 and 14/15):
 - 44% Private tenants
 - 15% RSHA tenants
 - 14% Council tenants
 - 12% owner occupiers
 - 6% family/friends
 - 3% tied/employer accommodation
 - 6% various other temporary/homeless situations
- Around 2/3 of all of our lets go to people already resident in that Community Council area
- Around 15% “statutory homeless”

Lettings Plan for Campsie Road

14 homes for rent:

- 2 bungalows: 1 x 1 bed; 1 x 2 bed
- 8 flats: 4 x 1 bed; 4 x 2 bed
- 4 houses: 2 x 2 bed; 2 x 3 bed
- Expected to complete Aug – September
- Aim to allocate by the end of June

RSHA housing list: currently 112 applicants in total; around 35 resident in, or with a need to move to, Strathblane/ Blanefield

Local lettings initiative (draft)

Aim to give added priority to those with a housing need and a need to live in, move to, the local area – for first lets.

Applicants placed in one of the following priority groups:

Priority 1: Live in Strathblane CC area or have a need to live there to give/receive support or for employment

Priority 2: Live in or need to live in one of the adjacent CC areas: Balfroon; Croftamie; Drymen; Fintry and Killearn.

Priority 3: Elsewhere in the Stirling Council area

Priority 4: All others

Minimum 40 points if on housing list

The process ahead

- Further publicity about how to apply & the proposed LLI
- - *Blane Valley Bulletin* (March)
- Information to/ consultation with, all applicants about the LLI
- Information sharing with the Council about local needs >>> which property types will be held for nominations from Council.
- Final decision on LLI by RSHA Management Committee in May
- Aim to allocate by end of June.

Appendix III - Elected member's full report at www.strathblanefield.org.uk.

Forth and Endrick News - Strathblane - Monday, 7th March 2016

Arnprior *Balfroon Buchanan Buchlyvie Croftamie Drymen Fintry Gargunnoch Killearn Kippen* **Strathblane**

Councillor Lambie Report

- **Council Budget:** The council budget was approved on Thursday 25th Feb. This is a **5 year budget** designed to fit with the PBB structure. Most of the contentious items were rejected: Rationalise Big Noise Funding, Modernise the Visiting Specialist Music Service in Primary Schools, Early Years Move to Sustainable Income Model, Secondary Schools - Redesign of poolside supervision in 2 schools, Redesign Nursery Management, Increase in Music Tuition Fees, Reintroduce Nursery Snack Charges. Improving Mobile Emergency Care Service (MECS) and review of Emergency Duty Team (EDT), Redesigning and integration of Youth Service and Adult Learning. Most of these will be referred back to be scrutinised by the Education Committee - which may mean they are represented at a future budget meeting. **Note:** The Education Committee does not have decision making powers with respect to changing a council budget.
- http://www.stirling.gov.uk/__documents/2015-16-draft-budget-report-february-2016.pdf
- <http://minutes.stirling.gov.uk/PDFs/SpecialCouncil/Agendas/CouncilSpecialAgenda.pdf>
- **Road End Collection Budget Proposal:** This wasn't rejected and will no doubt affect a considerable number of rural properties. Existing collection services to larger groups of houses on well surfaced roads should remain, therefore the likes of - Milndavie Road (Strathblane), Ibert Road (Killearn), and Buchanan Estate (Drymen) should continue with the existing collection.

- **Strathblane Library:** The draft PBB budget had a proposal **COP009** “Relocation of Library Services to within existing properties. A delivery model will be established that moves library facilities to within existing council properties e.g. Primary Schools, Community Halls”. This has subsequently been absorbed into another category - CMP002 Community and Customer Access and Services. This looks like the threat of any immediate relocation has been removed which will no doubt be a relief to residents and library staff. However, this may reappear at subsequent budget meetings.
- **Rural Road Safety Programme:** There was a budget entry in the Draft Budget capital programme entitled Rural Road Safety Programme with an allocation of £1.7 million over the next 5 years. I welcome this at the budget meeting but now need to know the details of what this entails.
- **Income Generation:** At Full Council Meeting in 2015 a business plan was approved to develop a 5MW Solar Photovoltaic Farm on a redundant landfill site at Lower Polmaise, Fallin. This builds on an existing programme of installing Solar PV on many council properties including houses and schools. Although the deadline for Renewables Obligation accreditation for large scale (>5MW) solar photovoltaic power projects, is due to end on 1st April 2015 - there appears to be scope for smaller projects. We are also looking at a full cost recovery model to run Mugdock Country Park which would include charging for the car park via a combination of voluntary donations and a loyalty card scheme.

- **Update:** At the Community Conversation PBB meeting a number of questions were raised on the subject of income generation. I was pleased to see that the officers including the chief executive (who has private sector experience) are taking this much more seriously – personally I don't think the savings target can be achieved without an element of income generation.
- **Strathendrick Care Home and Developing a Local Care Hub:** This was a very well attended event, and a response to concerns that the home was to be sold off for a capital receipt to part pay for the care village concept on the site of the Stirling Community Hospital. Communities and councillors were also concerned about the lack of communication over the above and called for a meeting with officers. The minutes of the meeting are contained in **Appendix 1**. Also, to be fair to officers the Local Care Hub concept had been developed in 2015. However, there are still concerns about the number of bed spaces (what would happen if there was a big increase in demand for respite care provision) and what is the situation with building repair (Will the council still provide resources for this). Is there a possible solution on the old Killearn hospital site?
- **Killearn Hospital Site:** There has been some movement on this as Planning Officers met with the owner on 4th September. The meeting included the contaminated land officer. The Council's Quantity Surveying team have been assisting the owner to prepare an indicative cost for the remediation of the site that, in turn, would help determine the extent of enabling development required to 'cross-subsidise' the remediation works. This will require removal of all soil within the development site to a depth of 200mm (minimum). If the soil is classified as 'mildly' contaminated' and SEPA's criteria could be satisfied, then it may be possible to retain the soil off-site but within land adjacent to the hospital site. If the soil is classed as 'waste' it would all have to be removed from the site and disposed of at a properly licenced landfill site, adding greatly to initial site preparation costs and, consequently, significantly increasing the number of houses required. However this could only be determined by a suitable qualified, established and recognised specialist consultant. The owner is responsible for engaging the specialist consultant. I have passed details of a consultant to the owner. **Update:** I attended a site visit to the Killearn Hospital site on 19th Jan with - Gerard O'Sullivan (Director of Corporate Operations) and Graeme Sword (Owner). This was productive and the officers are actively working on strategies to clean up the site. I've raised the issue about establishing a care/health facility on the site and have suggested setting up a medical research centre perhaps on similar lines to the Beatson in Bearsden? This would be longer term as any developer would want to recoup clean-up costs via initial construction of executive type housing.
- **Road Safety - A81 Glengoyne Distillery:** I was contacted by Mr. Robbie Hughes (Group Distillation Manager - Glengoyne Distillery) re. the malfunctioning speed warning signage near the distillery. I met with Mr. Hughes on site in September to discuss this. During the meeting we discussed other possible speed mitigation measures at the site including extending the 40mph zone towards Duntreath. This would move the sign just beyond the new bollards. **Update:** We are awaiting details of budget allocation for speed mitigation measure. I am also pleased to see that the cable drum has been removed.

- **Roads - Garden Bend A811 - Arnprior:** This is due to be resurfaced on 14th March with a planned 5 day closure, although if weather conditions are reasonable we would anticipate that the road would be open on the evening of Thursday 17th March.
- **Road Safety - Forth and Endrick Ward:** There will be installation of 40 mph signage on Station Rd at Killearn and on the A809 from the Carbeth Inn to beyond the Edenmill Turnoff. There are also plans to remove the banking at the B821 turnoff onto the A809 which will remove a near 'suicidal' right hand turn. Along with improvements to road safety there should be a positive benefit for businesses - lower speeds should increase the chances of passing trade 'dropping' in. **Update:** We are very pleased to see work commencing on this - an improvement welcomed in the Forth and Endrick ward and also in the Milngavie Ward in East Dunbartonshire Council - who share the A809 road with us.
- **Road Maintenance Programme - 2016/2017:** This has still to be finalised although we should have some information on the capital allocation for roads at the budget meeting on the 25th of Feb. The administration budget will be available in the public domain at 5pm on Friday 19th Feb. Historically Area 2 which includes the Forth and Endrick ward has, quite correctly, received a larger allocation than other council areas in due to roads in poorer condition and the lack of any trunk routes. My understanding is that this status will remain but the resource will be reduced. The draft roads programme should be available in March and then ratified by the Environment and Housing committee. **Update:** The 2015/2016 programme has been completed - the only carry over project appears to be the Arnprior one.
- **Policing - Report:** It was good to see the community ward officers at recent CC meetings. These are Constables Raymond Murphy and Steven Graham. The community sergeant is Alasdair Matheson and Constable Tracy Diamond is the schools based officer for Balfron High School. Alongside the ward officers are response officers who provide 24/7 cover for the ward. For major incidents such as serious road collisions ward officer could be called to assist with these. Contact details for local police are ForthEndrickCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk or use the 101 number. For Stirling Police matters check the **Stirling Police Twitter** at <https://twitter.com/stirlingpol> Another useful website given the weather just now is <https://trafficscotland.org/weather/>
- **Stirling Council - Local Government Boundary Changes (LGBC): Update:** I have spoken to a number of Community Councils on this issue and there is consistent opposition to this proposal. This is also the view of the Forth and Endrick Ward elected members. The final decision will likely be made after the May Scottish election.
- Councillor Graham Lambie Stirling Council, Old Viewforth, Stirling
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Appendix 1:

Note of Community Meeting on Strathendrick Care Home and Developing a Local Care Hub Thursday 14th January 2016 Killearn Village Hall

- Strathendrick is currently a 12 bedded residential care home, however, there is a diminishing need for residential care.
- People who require 24/7 care tend to be assessed as requiring a nursing home rather than a residential home.
- The model of care is changing under the Reshaping Care for Older People agenda and increasing numbers of people can and should be supported to live well in their own homes.
- In the future there will be an increasing demand for Intermediate Care which provides intensive short term intervention to support older people to stay at home.
- A pilot is currently running in Strathendrick where by 4 of the beds are being used for people receiving short term intermediate care after being discharged from hospital. Evidence shows that most people in short term beds who receive re-ablement and rehabilitation are able to return to their own homes (over 70%)
- Is there the possibility of developing a care hub at Strathendrick to provide more intermediate care, respite and re-ablement to better meet future needs?

Questions	Answers
What is the future for Strathendrick given the current budget situation?	<p>There is a Council commitment that Strathendrick will not close for as long as any of the current long term residents wish to continue living there. However, in 2008/9 Strathendrick was earmarked for land receipts for the Stirling Care Village. We are now in a different landscape with Health and Social Care Integration and there is more of a move towards local provision. As a result, there is the potential to use the Strathendrick building in the future as a care hub to provide services to support people in the rural south west area. Services such as assessment, respite and rehabilitation could all be provided from the care hub. We would need to work together with the community and partners to build a case to be presented to Stirling Council based on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cost effectiveness• Advantages of local provision• How we could shape, resource and deliver this in partnership with other agencies and the local community
Next Steps	<p>It was agreed that: An engagement programme be established Volunteers were asked to put their names forward to take part in a steering group with an initial meeting taking place in February 2016.</p>