

## EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

### EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM – 14 DECEMBER 2006

#### COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES – COMPOSITE REPORT

##### Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services

#### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1. To advise the Forum of the issues arising and initiatives that have taken place by the community and voluntary groups represented on the Forum.

#### 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. It was agreed at the AGM on 7<sup>th</sup> June that community and voluntary representatives should provide the Community Safety Co-ordinator with a report prior to the Forum meeting. Returns would be collated and a composite report tabled at future meetings.
- 2.2 The Community Safety Co-ordinator would take up the issues raised with the appropriate agency and provide any response at the Forum.

#### 3. DISCUSSION

- 3.1. Six reports in total were received from the following representatives:

Jean McFarlane, East Ayrshire North Crime Prevention Panel

- *See attached report*

Charles Lindsay, Northern Area Local Committee

- *See attached report*

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Mary Fraser, Elderly Forum

- *Requested that chemists should be contacted to include the ailment on the label of prescribed drugs*
- *Speakers attend the Elderly Forum giving talks that will help older people have a healthier lifestyle.*

PC Sandy Brown, East Ayrshire South Against Crime

- *Report attached*

Jean Smith, East Ayrshire South Forum on Disability

- *Report attached*

3.2 Steps have been taken to raise these issues with the appropriate personnel / department and the Chair will give appropriate responses at the meeting of the Forum.

## **1 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1. Any costs associated with issues raised are met by budgets set by various groups.

## **5. LEGAL/AUTHORITY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1. Nil

## **6. POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 Nil

## **7. CONCLUSIONS**

- 7.1. The Community Safety Forum provides a platform for voluntary and community groups to raise issues of concern and raise awareness of the initiatives and projects that are currently being undertaken.

## **8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8.1. The Forum is invited to note the contents of this report

W Stafford  
Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services

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24<sup>th</sup> November 2006

## **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

1. For further information please contact John Crawford, Head of Protective Services, 01563 576111 [john.crawford@east-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:john.crawford@east-ayrshire.gov.uk)
2. Implementation Officer – Ann Williams

## **EAST AYRSHIRE NORTH CRIME PREVENTION PANEL**

### **REPORT FROM MRS JEAN McFARLANE**

- 1. Two meetings of the Panel have been convened since the previous Safety Forum meeting. The first on 21<sup>st</sup> September reviewed the summer initiatives and discussed the current crime figures. Appreciation of the effectiveness of the use of Mountain Bikes was expressed by the Stewarton Representative. These "Bikes" allowed a response to be made quickly and quietly. Sergeant Morley further added that they were now a proven tool for the purposes of patrol by Community Officers, significantly increasing their profile while simultaneously allowing and encouraging interaction with the public.**
- 2. Chairperson Mairi Fulton, invited the Panel to view the D.V.D received from Becky Hunter, Strathclyde Police Internal Communications Officer, entitled "Ayrshire Division Our Year 2005/2006". The Panel found this D.V.D interesting and informative.**
- 3. The second meeting was held on November 16<sup>th</sup>. Following the Report from Secretary P.C Kerri Martin there was discussion on Panel involvement and initiatives. Kerri described the work carried out by the Community Branch and allied agencies in "The Road to Nowhere" for 4<sup>th</sup> year pupils and "Big World" for 6<sup>th</sup> year pupils. Both have scenarios acted out involving the pupils and drama students from Ayr College. This is an effective way of allowing teenagers to form strategies to deal with the dangers in modern living.**
- 4. The proposal to add support on the Christmas late-night shopping initiative in Kilmarnock Town Centre was agreed. Chairperson Mairi Fulton will liaise with the Secretary and advise members of dates and participation as plans evolve.**
- 5. Kerri also described her involvement with Kilmarnock Football Club in promoting an anti-litter poster campaign – NUTS ABOUT LITTER (Nuts the Squirrel will participate). The Panel unanimously agreed this was a worthwhile initiative and that a donation would be made to purchase a suitable 1<sup>st</sup> Prize. Kilmarnock Football Club was also contributing prizes and with NUTS the Squirrel in attendance these would be presented during the interval of the first Kilmarnock Home game in December.**
- 6. Proposals were made to invite a speaker to the January meeting. The subject chosen – ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ORDERS and approach will be made to East Ayrshire Council for their investigator to address the Panel.**
- 7. A Sub-committee will be formed to plan the Schools Quiz 2007.**
- 8. Personal alarms are still available for £5 at Kilmarnock Police Station.**

## **East Ayrshire Community Safety Forum 14th December 2006.**

**I attended the Danger Detectives Experiential Learning Event at the Dean Castle car park on the 8th September where Strathclyde Fire and Rescue Service demonstrated how to tackle a chip pan fire and how not to tackle the same. I was surprised at the result of a little water added to hot fat causing such a holocaust.**

**I would ask if the Voluntary Code of Conduct for Off-sales Licence Holders has been extended to Stewarton as I observed a youth in Springwell Place with alcohol in an unmarked bag some three weeks ago.**

**I ask the support of the Forum to have the sale of fireworks restricted to organised events. Our MSP seems to be of the same opinion. This move would save our Police and firefighters attending these call outs and our hard pressed NHS treating the people injured in these "celebrations", although what we have to celebrate beats me.**

**There seems to be differences in the timing of the 20's Plenty signs I ask the question 'When are they supposed to be active and when not as I can travel from Stewarton to Kilmarnock in the morning when the Schools are in and the warning lights are still flashing so too in the afternoon. I was of the opinion that they would only flash when the schools were going in, at lunch time and finishing time. Is this the case?**



**CHAS. M. LINDSAY.**

**Northern Area Committee Representative**

# East Ayrshire (South) Against Crime



## Report to East Ayrshire Community Safety Forum November 2006

1. Along with Const Brown, Community Safety Dept, Cumnock, and a representative from Autoglass, members attended a Car Security morning at Tesco in Auchinleck on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. Tesco allowed us to distribute Car Security leaflets to their customers that day, between 10 am and 1 pm and around 250 leaflets were distributed.
2. The AGM of the Panel was held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 7 pm at Cumnock Police Office. The current Office Bearers were elected once more to serve another year. They are as follows
  - Chair – Bill Salmond                      Vice Chair – Jimmy Boyd
  - Treasurer – Jean Smith                      Minutes Sec – Maria Quadri
3. Our School Wordsearch Competition was completed prior to the summer. Prize winners attended at Cumnock Police Office on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October, where they received their prizes from Jean Smith and Chief Inspector Alan Lawrence. School Quiz to return in its normal format next year.
4. The Panel, are endeavouring to encourage new members to attend. To this end PC Brown has been asked to prepare a leaflet for distribution in The Cumnock and Doon Valley, outlining who we are and how to become a member. They will hopefully be distributed by local organisations.
5. We are also looking at the possibility of having small cards printed outlining the necessity of keeping your bank cards and PIN numbers separate and warning of the dangers of card fraud/identity theft.

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**EAST AYRSHIRE SOUTH FORUM ON DISABILITY**

**EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM**

**REPORT**

**OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS, MEMBERS HAVE BEEN BUSY ATTENDING MEETINGS FOR THE DISABLED GROUPS UNDER THE DISABILITY FORUM.**

- 1. LUGAR ENVIROMENTAL PROJECT.**
- 2. ROADS & TRANSPORTATION -STRATIGE COMMUNITY PLAN EAC.**
- 3. OLDER PEOPLE`S CONFERENCE**
- 4. COMMUNITY LEARNING PLAN CONFERENCE.**
- 5. EAC DISABILITY EQUALITY SCHME-CONSULTATION.**
- 6. VISUAL IMPAIRED AYRSHIRE - Irvine.**
- 7. NHS A&A NEW ACCESS GUIDE FOR BUILDINGS IN AYRSHIRE BELONGING TO NHS.**
- 8. DIVERSTY & EQUALITY TRAINING EAC.**
- 9. GUEST SPEAKER AT JACKSTON TRAINING CENTRE STRATHCLYDE POLICE ON DISABILIES.**
- 10. TALK ON SENSOREY IMPAIRMENT TO PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN.**
- 11. ATTEND CCF MEETINGS ON BEHALF OF EASFOD.**
- 12. MEMBERS ATTEND LOCAL COMMITTEE`S ON BEHALF OF EASFOD.**
- 13. ASKED TO NORTH AYRSHIRE TO HELP SET UP AN ACCESS PANEL.**

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**MEMBERS HAVE CONSULTED WITH COUNCIL OFFICERS ON A VARIETY OF ISSUES.**

**SENT A NUMBER OF PAPERS TO COMMENT ABOUT SPEED LIMITS, ROAD HUMPS ETC IN THE SOUTH OF THE COUNCIL AREA.**

**DO HOUSE VISITS , HELPING PEOPLE TO FILL BEBENEFIT FORMS AND HAVE BE ABLE FOR SIX PEOPLE TO GET MORE MONEY.**

**QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL.**

- 1. COULD ROADS & TRANSPORT LOOK AT MAKING 45 DEGREE ANGLE PARKING BAYS, WHEN NEW BUILDINGS WITH CAR PARKS OUR IN THE PLANS FOR KILMARNOCK AND CUMNOCK IN THE FUTURE.**
- 2. WE ARE STILL GETTING COMMENTS FROM PEOPLE ON THE WAY THE BINS ARE LEFT ON FOOTPATHS, CAUSING PROLBEMS FOR EVERYONE IN THE COMMUNITIES.**
- 3. IS WATER SPRINKLERS BEING PUT INTO EAC TENNENTS HOMES.**
- 4. WOULD COMMUNITY SAFETY LOOK AT HELPING YOUNG AND OLDER PEOPLE LIVING IN THE 0/15% AREA OF EAC, WHO AT PRESENT DO NOT GET HELP UNDER OTHER PROJECTS, INTO LEAISURE FOR EXAMPLE GALLEON OR VISIONS/GAMES HALLS.**
- 5. CUMNOCK HAS A PROLBEM WITH CARS PARKING IN THE BUS STOP AREA, TOWNHEAD STREET, MAKING THE BUS TO STOP FURTHER AWAY AND CAUSING DISABLED PEOPLE AND OTHERS IN THE COMMUNITY TO GET OFF AND ON THE BUS**

**AWAY FROM THE STOP MAKING IT HARD,  
WHAT CAN BE DONE.**

**Jean Smith**

**East Ayrshire South Forum on Disability**