

NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE - 4 MAY 2005

ISSUES RAISED DURING THE 15 MINUTE QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

<u>Issue Raised</u>	<u>Action Proposed</u>	<u>Current Position</u>
<p>Community Representative Jim Miller asked whether fines relating to dog fouling fixed penalty notices were being adhered to.</p>	<p>Councillor O'Neill advised that he would be attending a meeting with Superintendent Weir on Monday 9 May 2005 to discuss a number of issues and would undertake to raise the issue of the dog fouling legislation with her.</p>	
<p>Community Representative Charles Lindsay asked if repairs could be made to potholes on Cutsburn Road, Stewarton at the roundabout.</p>	<p>It was agreed that the Administrative Officer would write to the Head of Roads and Transportation.</p>	<p>This issue was raised previously by Mr Lindsay at the Local Committee held on 13 January 2005. A memo was sent to the Head of Roads and Transportation on 17 January 2005 with his concerns. A further memo was sent on 16 May 2005 requesting a response.</p> <p>The Head of Roads & Transportation wrote to Mr Lindsay on 5 July 2005 which advised that he had instructed the street inspector for the area to issue the appropriate works order to have the potholes filled when the temporary repair squad is in the area. He further advised that he will consider the long term needs of this area with a view to resurfacing the road.</p>
<p>Community Representative Charles Lindsay asked about the possibility of the Council becoming a Fair Trade Council.</p>	<p>It was agreed that the Administrative Officer write to the Executive Director of Development and Property Services in this connection.</p>	<p>Advised by John Spooner, Business Development Manager that this issue is currently being investigated and worked on by Carole Foote, Principal Officer, Corporate Support.</p>

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<p>Community Representative Charles Lindsay asked whether there was any proposals to dump untreated sewerage in East Ayrshire and what the Council's intentions would be if such proposals existed.</p>	<p>Councillor O'Neill advised that responsibility for sewerage lay with SEPA and indicated that whilst there had been discussion regarding granting licences concerning the use of human sewerage on farmland no sites had yet been identified. In any event, Councillor O'Neill stated that the Council's view on this would not be proper as the Council were only an objector in this situation and that the matter rested solely with SEPA. He suggested that Mr Lindsay should take the matter up with the Director. However, there were three sites identified in the south of the area, two of which had been the subject of public meetings.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Community Representative Ian Finlayson raised the issue of the delays on the Carlisle train from Kilmarnock, Kilmaurs, Stewarton and Dunlop.</p>	<p>It was agreed that the Administrative Officer write to Scotrail with the concerns.</p>	<p>The Customer Services Manager at Scotrail advised that the delays on the two days in question i.e. 31 March and 13 April were due to the following:- 31 March - this train was cancelled due to a failure break and on 13 April the service from Stewarton re-routed due to the over-running of engineering works.</p> <p>Scotrail have agreed that the lack of information to passengers needs to be looked at and they are taking steps to have this improved.</p>