



**Elgin South Area Forum
Tuesday 8th September 2009**

Agenda Item 4 - Feedback

Residents	Officials
Why do you come to the Forum?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get better understanding of communities/community planning • Find out what's happening in the community • What to help neighbours • Find out what can be done to help community • How to go about making changes • Hearing about other forums/communities • Hearing direct from police, councillors etc • Meeting officials and putting faces to names • Talk directly to councillors etc – take issues to them • Face to face better than documents • To get involved 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be aware of community issues • Develop communication / liaison • Fulfilling professional responsibilities • It's interesting • To empower the community
How to improve the way we work....	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get message out further into community – about Forum • Involve other groups / individuals / young people • Need different format to attract young people • Liaise with youth café? Pupil Council? • Need these meetings to keep up to date • Monthly updates to Northern Scot – Events Section • More adverts (in papers) for meetings • Don't change for the sake of it • Newsletters – to be available to pick up at local businesses etc • Need to clarify purpose of Forum • Provide evidence of outcomes • More non-political lobbying on communities behalf • Advertise website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spread office-bearer burden • Stay informal • Increase community awareness of Forum and Groups • Advertise success • Visit existing groups • Different meeting times / locations / formats • Improve consultation strategies
What else should we get involved in?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community safety • Dog fouling – dog anti-social behaviour • Green areas in New Elgin – upkeep beautify New Elgin • Need new people for new ideas • New road /bypass. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development plan.