

**Minutes of the Elgin South Area Forum Meeting held on
Tuesday 15th November 2011 at 7.00pm in the NEON Building**

Present

Aileen Marshall (Chair)
Steven Christie (Vice Chair)
Mary Dow, Resident & EHS Parent Council
Rebecca Kail, Resident

Christine Clerk (Treasurer)
Catherine Sinclair (Secretary)
Louise Ellerby, Resident

In Attendance:

Gillian Bailey, Community Support Officer

Cllr John Divers

Apologies:

Marilyn Kelly
Linda McKenzie
Cllr John Sharp

Alastair Kennedy
Cllr Graham Leadbitter

ITEM NO	ITEM DISCUSSED	ACTION
1.	<p>Minutes of meetings held on 18th October 2011.</p> <p>The minutes were accepted as a true record:</p> <p>Proposed: Steven Christie Seconded: Louise Ellerby</p>	
2.	<p>Matters Arising from Minutes</p> <p>18th October 2011</p> <p>8.1 Cllr Divers advised that the Tyock was due to be cleared in the near future.</p> <p>Cllr Divers advised that the two posts at the top of the cycle path on Glen Moray Drive were sensors for data collection of usage. Statistics were passed to Aileen Marshall.</p> <p>8.2 Lack of lighting on the cycle path on Glen Moray Drive – Cllr Divers stated that there was not enough money to put in additional lights. This may need to be looked at in the future.</p> <p>The Wards path up to the white gates has several ruts and holes – Cllr Divers advised that the path up from Matalan was not yet adopted by the Council and belonged to the properties on that side of road.</p>	
3.	<p>Community Issues</p> <p>3.1 Litter Group – Steven Christie advised that the group had met again and now have an Environmental Improvement Strategy. Steven Christie agreed to forward a copy to Aileen Marshall for circulation to members for comments. He also stated that they were looking for more people to help from South Elgin. The next meeting is to be held on 8th December 2011 at 7pm.</p>	SC/AM
4.	<p>Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - VAM Training - Community Newsletter training – Christine Clerk and Rebecca Kail both wished to attend this. - Wittet Drive Letter – Steven Christie proposed that we invite Derek Matheson to our January meeting to tell us what is happening. This was seconded by Mary Dow. Aileen Marshall to arrange. 	AM

	- e-mail from Ann Griffin – if interested please reply direct.	ALL
5.	<p>Focus on Planning Session led by Gillian Bailey</p> <p>Gillian Bailey led a session to re-focus on where the Forum are and what has been achieved.</p> <p>Concern was raised over the length of consultations and how there was often no feedback on consultations.</p> <p>It was agreed to arrange for the Community Engagement Group to come and speak to the Forum regarding issues raised.</p> <p>There are five themed groups and it was suggested that members put their name against a theme they are most passionate about:-</p> <p>Safer & Stronger – Steven Chrisie Greener – Rebecca Kail Smarter – Mary Dow Wealthier and Fairer Healthier</p> <p>Members advised that they received a lot of e-mails to their personal e-mail addresses.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Forum purchase a laptop and hard drive. Also that members logged the hours spent on Forum business between the months of January – March 2012. Gillian Bailey agreed to e-mail a copy of the template for hour logging to Aileen Marshall.</p>	GB
6.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Aileen Marshall advised that the NEON room was booked until the end of November 2012.</p> <p>It was agreed to think about speakers at coming meetings.</p>	ALL
7.	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Tuesday 17th January 2012 at 7.00pm in NEON Building.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.25pm.</p>	