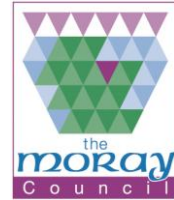




**ELGIN NORTH AREA FORUM**  
**Update Report**  
**for Meeting on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2010**



**CITY & ROYAL BURGH OF ELGIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Date of last meeting:**

Please detail here a short update of the following points:

- Key updates of your group / organisation
- Key issues your group / organisation is currently facing
- Current priorities that your group / organisation is working on
- Good news / successes from your group / organisation
- Suggestions of how Elgin North Area Forum could work in partnership with your group / organisation on current projects
- Any other relevant information that you think Elgin North Area Forum should be aware of

**We have agreed to pursue funding to repair the mosaic at the Plainstones**

**Continuing to press for the re-opening of the Stagecoach office at Elgin Bus Station**

**The Lesmurdie Road incident is now ended and we responded to the Community Impact Assessment when asked by the police**

**Our Environmental Committee continues to try to get the weeds removed from the roofs and gutters of the City Centre buildings**

**It was agreed to fund for another year Elgin`s entry into the Coach-driver`s Yearbook**

**Our Planning Committee have been tasked with responsibility for reading and highlighting any issues contained within the Grampian Police Reports**

**Secure Bike storage is ongoing at Thornhill Medical Centre and a reply from Springfield is expected soon.**

**The problems with the parking at Pansport have been raised.**

**We await the presentation / consultation regarding the application by Sainsbury to erect a supermarket on the Elgin Mart site.**

**There has been a question raised about who will have responsibility for the maintenance of the underpass at Aldi`s store**

Report completed by: Alastair Kennedy

Position held within group / organisation: Chair of Community Council

Date report submitted: 29<sup>th</sup> July 2010

## **ELGIN ACADEMY DEVELOPMENT – ANDY OLIVER**

The Moray Council Building for Learning Project

Project Update 2 August 2010

Work has now commenced on the site, and site fencing has been erected around the first phase works to secure the site, and a site compound is being established for site offices and welfare facilities, and parking for site workers.

Topsoil has been stripped off and stored on site, and excavation work is underway to form the base levels for construction of the school. Where levels have had to be made up at the front block next to Morrision Road the subsoil being deposited has been compacted with a vibrating roller and this resulted in some complaint from neighbours. The lower level of the site (where the CDT, Music and PE facilities will be) needs some reinforcement to make it ready for foundation excavation, and this is being provided by vibro stone columns. This is done by forming a hole, filling it with stone and the vibrating this locally to compact it. It is not expected that this will generate high noise levels as the work is far from the boundary and is some way below the level of the road.

The Contractor will be issuing information leaflets to neighbours to advise of up coming works that may affect them.

Report completed by: Andy Oliver

Position held within group / organisation: PPP Project Manager

Date report submitted: 2 August 2010

## **URBAN FREEDOM SCHEME – CHRIS THOMPSON**

Please detail here a short update (points to consider could include):

- Key updates of your group / organisation  
Moving into final phase of design consultation for cross town active travel route as presented at meeting.
- Key issues your group / organisation is currently facing  
Securing ongoing funding for sustainable travel in lean times.
- Current priorities that your group / organisation is working on  
Cross town infrastructure and further promotion of active travel.
- Good news / successes from your group / organisation  
Attendance at Urban Freedom festival exceeding expectations. Substantial increases in cycling noted within Elgin and in neighbouring settlements.
- Suggestions of how Elgin North Area Forum could work in partnership with your group / organisation on current projects  
Ensuring that information regarding events/activities is clearly communicated to partner agencies and identifying possible links and cross over.
- Any other relevant information that you think Elgin North Area Forum should be aware of

Report completed by: Chris Thompson

Position held within group / organisation: SAC (The Moray Council)

Date report submitted: 12/08/10