



Clydebelt News

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Clydebelt is the organisation dedicated to protecting our Greenbelt heritage in the Kilpatrick Hills.

It is non-political, non-sectarian, and non-profit-making

New owner...

Clydebank Football Club was refused outline planning permission to build a new Stadium and car parks on the Greenbelt between Hardgate and Drumchapel by West Dumbar-tonshire Council Planning Committee

new stadium?

last year. Now there is a new owner with plans to redevelop the Club. Will they go after the Green Belt again?

What's going in in the Hills?

- At night the bright lights from the Cochno water filters still pollute the atmosphere.
- The Scottish Office seems to be changing the Structure Plan so that there is no specific presumption against wind farms being erected in the Green Belt.
- Community Woodlands didn't grow on Cochnohill Farm, and the owner has been reported busy elsewhere.
- Clydebelt has tried in vain to get access obstructions removed.

Harbour plan re- turned in post

The Scottish Office held a Postal Inquiry on Morrison Homes' appeal against the refused application for residential, retail and tourist development around Bowling Harbour.

Clydebelt wrote a detailed case to the Reporter on why the appeal should be rejected, but he allowed it.

We strongly disapprove of the postal system, where developers can afford to submit "expert" opinion of our postal arguments, but we have no chance to cross-question them in a Public Inquiry.

Dumping

Following representations by Clydebelt, dumping near Braidfield Farm next to the proposed Stadium development has been referred to the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency.

Meeting

You are invited to the Clydebelt Members' Annual General Meeting

7.30pm Monday
24th November 1997

followed by:

in the Trinity Church,
Roman Road, Duntocher

We will discuss issues raised in this Newsletter, and any more that arise. The meeting is for all who are members (eg who receive this newsletter), and you can join at the meeting. Come and make your feelings known.

"A History of the
Duntocher Burn"

by
Sam Gibson

Agenda

1. Minutes of previous meeting
2. Financial Report
3. News & current issues
4. Election of Committee
5. Any other competent business

Clydebelt is seven years old this month. We started in 1990 to protect the Kilpatrick Hills, and have extended our efforts further.

This Newsletter has been delivered to the last known address of a member. If they have moved on, but you are interested, you are very welcome to join us - at the meeting or by phoning the Secretary at 01389 872836.

Clydebelt on the World Wide Web

Internet browsers can find a lot about Clydebelt at

<http://www.envirolink.org/orgs/greenaction/guests/clydebelt.html>

These Web pages have already received interest from across the world.

Also see the GreenNet Home Page at <http://www.gn.apc.org/>

Membership is a once-only fee of £1 (or £2 for a household) which should last for years of printing and postage unless we need another big campaign.