



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

Clydebank Club's own goal in Greenbelt

Clydebank Football Club applied for outline planning permission to build a new Stadium and car parks on the Greenbelt between Hardgate and Drumchapel, between the Boulevard and the golf course. But the Club failed

to provide a traffic impact study. On 16th October West Dumbartonshire Council Planning Committee refused the application. Will they try again when they sell Kilbowie?

Sunk in Bowling Harbour

Clydebelt members attended a packed Public Meeting held by the Milton & Bowling Community Council in March. We agreed with criticisms published by their Subcommittee of the outline development application by Morrison Homes for residential, retail and tourist development around Bowling Harbour.

It was a bad plan on grounds of housing, amenity, nature conservation, employment and economics. We objected, and also wrote to all West Dumbartonshire Councillors.

On June 4th we went round the site with the Planning Committee, and continued our objections at a public meeting that followed in the Napier Hall. The Bowling people submitted a complete survey of public opinion - overwhelmingly against the plan.

Our efforts succeeded - on 26th June, against the Planning Officer's recommendation, a huge majority of the full Council turned it down.

Meeting

You are invited to the Clydebelt Members'

followed by:

Annual General Meeting

7.30pm Monday
18th November 1996

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.

Agenda

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

Clydebelt is six years old this month. We started in 1990 to protect the Kilpatrick Hills - how far beyond do members want to extend our efforts at protections?

"Geology of the
Kilpatrick Hills -
Lavas &
Volcanoes in the
West of Scotland
360,000,000
years ago"

by
Prof Brian Bluck
University of Glasgow

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.

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.

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/>