CLYDEBANK BLITZ WORKING GROUP

Note of Meeting of the Clydebank Blitz Working Group held in Meeting Room 1, Council Offices, Rosebery Place, Clydebank, on Tuesday, 1 March 2011 at 4.30 p.m.

- Present:
 Provost Denis Agnew

 Councillor Jim Brown
 Councillor Gail Casey

 Councillor William Hendrie*
 Councillor Willie McLaughlin

 Councillor Marie McNair
 Bobby Steele, Lieutenancy

 George Troup, Cadet Forces
 Janice Blair, Girlguiding Clydebank

 Craig Stewart, Committee Officer, Legal, Administrative and Regulatory Services
- Apologies: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Jim Finn, Jonathan McColl and Jim McElhill; Terry Lanagan, Director of Educational Services; Ken Graham, Manager, Lifelong Learning, Educational Services and Gill Graham, Section Head -Culture.
 - * Attended later in the meeting.

Provost Denis Agnew in the Chair

CHAIR'S REMARKS

Prior to commencing with the business of the meeting, Provost Agnew, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

NOTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Note of Meeting of the Working Group held on 28 January 2011 was submitted and noted as a correct record.

UPDATE ON PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS

Having heard the Provost and after discussion, the Working Group agreed:-

- to note the updates given at the meeting concerning the graveside service to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Clydebank Blitz to be held at Dalnottar Cemetery on Saturday, 12 March 2011 at 11.00 a.m. prompt;
- (2) to note that, in view of (1) above, Members were invited to be in attendance at Dalnottar Ceremony fifteen minutes prior to the service commencing;
- (3) to note the list of acceptances and apologies received by the Provost's Office in regard to the invitations that were sent out to clergy, political leaders & representatives and dignitaries', etc. to attend the Sunday service;
- to note the draft printed order of service for the ecumenical service to commemorate the event which would be held in Kilbowie St. Andrew's Church on Sunday, 13 March 2011 at 2.00 p.m.;
- (5) to note the preference to have a Guard of Honour to be made up of representatives from the youth organisations including Scouts, Girl Guides and Cadets at the service;
- (6) to note that a number of churches in the Clydebank area, which included Linnvale St Cuthbert's, Radnor Park Parish Church in Spencer Street and Old Kilpatrick Bowling Church, would be hosting some form of commemorative event on Sunday, 13 March between 3pm and 4pm with the Council providing a set amount of funds from the Small Scale Events Budget to cover the cost of catering;
- (7) to note that the Provost was still to hear back from Clydebank Churches Together regarding the suggestion that a church of each denomination from each ward host an event, including hearing back from Morrison Memorial Church;
- (8) to note that it was now unlikely due to a number of reasons, for the Blitz exhibition to be staged and for the Blitz Images produced for use in connection with the Memorial Wall to be projected onto the Church Hall wall on 13 March 2011; and
- (9) to note that Janice Blair would make an approach to someone whom she knew was doing work for the Princes Trust in connection with the possible video recording of the commemorative event.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Having heard Provost Agnew, Chair, it was noted that the there might be a requirement to call one more meeting of the Working Group following the Clydebank Blitz Commemoration over the weekend on 12/13 March and details of the date, time and venue of the meeting would be communicated to Members in due course.

The meeting closed at 5.25 p.m.