

EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER 2006 AT 1402

HOURS IN GLAISNOCK HOUSE, BENSTON, ROAD, CUMNOCK

PRESENT: Councillor William Menzies, East Ayrshire Council; Joyce Black, Senior Executive, Scottish Enterprise Ayrshire; June Lawrie, Development Worker, Council of Voluntary Organisations (East Ayrshire); Jim Burns, External Relations Manager, Job Centre Plus; June Lawrie, Development Worker, Council of Voluntary organisations (East Ayrshire); Cathy Roarty, Lead Public Health Practitioner, East Ayrshire Community Health Partnership; Trixie Sheddon, Community Safety Co-ordinator, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue; John Walls, Community Planning Co-ordinator, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport; Katie Chan, Social Justice Co-ordinator, Communities Scotland; Ian McCormack, Coalfield Regeneration Trust; Coalfield Communities Federation Representatives: Ronnie Hamilton, Ian Smith; North Federation Representatives: Jean Brown, Frank Dawson; and Community Representatives from the Wider Community: Jack Campbell, Rosalie McCluskey and Maurice Ashbridge.

ATTENDING: Gwen Barker, Community Planning and Partnership Manager; Helen Sinclair, Community Planning Officer; Ann Robertson, Community Planning and Regeneration Officer; Laurie Palmer, Partnership and Regeneration Team Leader, Kirstin Muir, Financial Services Manager; and Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer, East Ayrshire Council.

APOLOGIES: Elizabeth Morton, Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support, East Ayrshire Council; Craig Lean, Senior Planner, NHS Ayrshire and Arran; Ann McManus, Support Services Manager, Ayr College; Linda Kenny, Director of Enterprise, Kilmarnock College and Community Representatives: Jean Smith and Linda Thomson.

CHAIR: Councillor William Menzies, East Ayrshire Council.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

1. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised that the presentation by Graham Piggott, Convenor, North Community Federation on the Community Federation's progress report would be continued to the next meeting.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

2. There were submitted (circulated) and approved as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting of the East Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership Board held on 28 September 2006.

MATTERS ARISING

3.1. Social Enterprise Support Project (Item 3.2)

Noted an update from the Community Planning and Partnership Manager that the Social Enterprise Project would not require funding for a Support Worker and a further update would be considered at Item 4.

3.2. Provision of Community Wardens (Item 3.5)

Noted that the Community Planning and Partnership Manager would clarify the current funding position for providing the Community Wardens Service in East Ayrshire and would also arrange for Community Representatives to meet with the

manager of the Community Wardens Scheme for an informed discussion on the practicalities of extending the scheme to additional communities in East Ayrshire.

FINANCE REPORT

4. There was submitted a report dated 27 November 2006 (circulated) by the Community Planning Partnership Manager which advised on a range of financial issues, in particular, the recommendations for project financial allocations in 2007/2008.

Following discussion, it was agreed:-

- (i) to note that East Ayrshire Woodlands Project had reviewed its requirement for funding and now required £66,000 and not £80,000 as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;
- (ii) to note that a revised balance of £443,500 remained in the Development Fund for future allocation by the Board in 2007/08;
- (iii) to remit the Community Planning and Partnership Manager and the Operational Sub-Group, in consultation with the Chair of the Community Planning and Partnership Board to ensure a full spend of the recommendations from the project review process as detailed in Appendix 1 and taking into account the revised £66,000 funding proposed for East Ayrshire Woodlands;
- (iv) to note that the 2007/2008 allocations, with the exception of the two Federations, were subject to "sign off" by Communities Scotland;
- (v) to remit the Community Planning and Partnership Manager and the Operational Sub-Group, in consultation with the Chair of the Community Planning Partnership Board to bring forward a range of proposals to utilise the 2007/2008 Development Fund balances;
- (vi) to allocate the remaining balance of the Challenge Fund as a lever to attract resources to establish an athletics track in Kilmarnock;
- (vii) to remit the Community Planning and Partnership Manager to incorporate the themes of employability for (Adults) and educational attainment into the funding criteria for projects (Gwen to check); and
- (viii) otherwise, note the content of the report.

COMMUNITY PLANNING UPDATE

5. There was submitted a report dated 27 November 2006 (circulated) by the Community Planning and Partnership Manager which updated on developments in respect of Community Planning.

Following discussion, it was agreed:-

- (i) to note the progress in respect of the Four-Yearly Review of Community Planning;
- (ii) to note the proposed programme for the launch of the updated Community Plan;
- (iii) to note that the Community Planning Website was now live and could be accessed at www.eastayrshirecommunityplan.org;
- (iv) to note the progress in relation to the Residents' Panel; and

- (v) to remit the Community Planning and Partnership Manager to report back on the progress of the Residents' Panel to the next Board meeting, in particular, to provide details of the composition of the Residents' Panel;
- (vi) to remit the Community Planning and Partnership Manager to convey the Board's view that it would be of assistance if the short-term working group on transport provision could consider the introduction of a more flexible patient appointment system at Hospitals and to include in their consideration an examination of the accessibility of public transport to alleviate difficulties for members of outlying communities accessing hospital appointments;
- (vii) to note that the Core Partners' Group on 13 February 2007 would consider a report on the progress of a cross-cutting review of transport provision in East Ayrshire;
- (viii) to formally invite Board Members' to the Community Planning Showcase Events on 19 and 20 March 2007; and
- (ix) otherwise, note the content of the report.

ARRANGEMENT FOR REPORTING ITEMS FOR NOTING

6. The Chair asked the Board if the practice of submitting questions in advance to the Community Planning and Partnership Manager and arrangements for reporting 'Items for noting' should be continued.

Following discussion, it was agreed to continue with the current arrangements in respect of reporting 'Items for noting'.

BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT – COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND AND RELATED PROGRAMMES TO 12 NOVEMBER 2006 (PERIOD 8)

7. There was submitted and noted a report dated 27 November 2006 (circulated) by the Executive Head of Finance, East Ayrshire Council, which advised of the current budgetary control position and projected outturn for 2006/2007 for the services within the remit of the Community Planning Partnership, namely the Community Regeneration Fund, the Community Voices Programme and Community Planning Challenge Fund, for the period ended 12 November 2006 (period 8).

PROJECT ANNUAL REVIEW PROCESS AND IN-YEAR STOCK TAKE 2006

8. There was submitted a report dated 27 November 2006 (circulated) by the Community Planning and Partnership Manager, which provided an update on the Community Regeneration Fund, Community Voices Programme Project Annual Review Process 2006 and the 'In-Stock Take' meeting between the Community Planning Partnership and Communities Scotland.

Following discussion, it was agreed:-

- (i) to note the positive progress and achievement in respect of the Project Annual Review Process 2006;
- (ii) to note the 'In-Year Stock Take' meeting convened by Communities Scotland and the actions arising from the discussion as detailed within the report;
- (iii) to note that Detailed Guidance in respect of the National Performance Management Framework was rescheduled for issue in December 2006;

- (iv) to note the ongoing work of Communities Scotland in respect of the 'equalities' agenda and that additional guidance in respect of this matter would be included in the PMF 2006/2007;
- (v) to note the release of the SIMD 2006 and agreed to receive a report on the findings of the analysis at a future meeting of the Board;
- (vi) to note that Communities Scotland had been requested to 'sign off' the residual 2007/08 Community Regeneration Fund and Community Voices Programme financial recommendations;
- (vii) to note that the national independent valuation of the implementation of Regeneration Outcome Agreements had been commissioned by Communities Scotland; and
- (viii) otherwise, note the content of the report.

**COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND/COMMUNITY VOICES PROGRAMME
PROJECT ANNUAL REVIEW PROCESS 2006/07**

9. There was submitted a report dated 27 November 2006 (circulated) by the Community Planning and Partnership Manager which advised of progress made by projects in meeting their agreed targets for 2006/2007 together with Appendix 1 (circulated) at the meeting in relation to the 2006/07 programme of projects and the achievements from 1 April to 30 September 2006.

Following discussion, it was agreed:-

- (i) to note the progress and achievement made by the Community Regeneration Fund and Community Voices Programme funded projects against their agreed set targets for 2006/2007;
- (ii) to note the amendment to the report that 19% of the Community Regeneration Fund budget for 2006/07, totalling £807,000 had been allocated; and
- (iii) otherwise, note the content of the report.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

10. It was agreed to note that the next meeting would be held on Thursday 8 March 2007 at a venue to be confirmed.

The meeting terminated at 1455 hours.