

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**CENTRAL SOUTH LOCAL GRANTS COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 31 MARCH 2010
AT 1445 HRS IN MEETING ROOM 1, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS,
LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Jim Todd, Tom Cook, Robert Keohone, Douglas Reid, John Knapp and Hugh Ross.

ATTENDING: Julie McGarry, Administration Manager; Eddie Bulik, Monitoring and Administration Officer, Department of Neighbourhood Services; Kevin Wells, Team Leader, Department of Educational and Social Services; and Jennifer Morrison, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGY: Councillor Iain Linton.

CHAIR: Councillor Jim Todd, Chair.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. In terms of Standing Order 19, it was agreed to alter the order of business and consider the two items which related to Crosshouse Bowling Club as the next items on the Agenda.

COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2009/2010**2.1 Declaration of Interest**

Councillor Robert Keohone declared a non-financial interest in respect of the items which related to Crosshouse Bowling Club (items 2.2 and 3 of this minute), which he considered significant in terms of paragraphs 5.17 and 5.18 of the Code of Conduct and withdrew from the meeting.

2.2 Consideration of Item**Leisure**

Crosshouse Bowling Club (CG 4573) - The Administrative Officer advised that the Group had applied for funding to assist with the costs of directional road signs at a total cost of £550.00 with the Group seeking a Community Grant of £400.00. The Committee agreed to an award of up to £400.00, in principle, subject to receipt of a satisfactory assessment by the Department of Neighbourhood Services and that payment of the grant be remitted to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair.

**LOCAL COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME - ALTERNATIVE USE OF GRANT
AWARD - REQUEST RECEIVED (Item 2.1(b)(vi), Page 365, 07/12)**

3. There was submitted a report dated 22 March 2010 (circulated) which advised of a request received from Crosshouse Bowling Club to be allowed to use Community Grant money previously awarded (CG 3742) for a different purpose to that previously approved, and detailed the circumstances which had led to the request.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to ascertain whether there were any aspects of the works in respect of disabled access, where bills were still outstanding, that could be funded by Committee via the community grants budget;
- (ii) once a response had been received, to delegate to the Head of Democratic Services, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee, the decision on how much of the original £1,000 grant awarded should be retained by the Club for the purposes as outlined in (i) above; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

Councillor Knapp left the meeting during discussion of this item.

Councillor Keohone rejoined the meeting at this point.

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4. There was submitted a report dated 24 March 2010 (circulated) and an updated report dated 30 March 2010 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to Local Organisations in 2009/2010 together with a summary table of grants received and individual assessment reports (circulated and tabled) in respect of the undernoted applications.

The Committee agreed as follows:-

(a) Early Education and Childcare

- (i) Bonnyton Parent and Toddler Group (CG 4554) - £593.66;
- (ii) Riccarton Pre-5s (CG 4562) - £753.67; and
- (iii) Shortlees Primary Forum (CG 4553) - £3,000.00.

(b) Leisure

- (i) Onthank Men's Club (CG 4466) (hall lets) - £72.00;
- (ii) Onthank Men's Club (CG 4522) (Christmas dinner dance, meals band and hall) - £98.25;
- (iii) Howard Park Bowling Club (CG 4542) (Scottish Water and Scottish Power bill) - £1,005.00 and that the Club be advised to work with Community Learning and Development towards future fund-raising initiatives by the Club;
- (iv) Howard Park Bowling Club (CG 4543) (reimbursement of bills) - refused, on the grounds that the application was retrospective;
- (v) Kilmarnock and District Choral Union (CG 4556) - £75.00;
- (vi) Kilmarnock Leisure Education Association (CG 4545) - £2,500.00 (£2,000 for lets at Grange Academy and £500.00 for insurance);
- (vii) Springhill Bowling Club (CG 4571)

(A) Declaration of Interest

Councillor Douglas Reid declared a non-financial interest in respect of the above item, which he considered significant in terms of paragraphs 5.17 and 5.18 of the Code of Conduct and withdrew from the meeting.

(B) Consideration of Item

The Administrative Officer advised that the Group had applied for funding to assist with cost to upgrade the standard of the green surround at a total cost of £1,437.50, with the Group requesting grant funding of £1,293.75. The Committee agreed to award up to £918.56, in principle, subject to receiving a satisfactory assessment from the Department of Neighbourhood Services and the payment of grant be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Councillor Douglas Reid rejoined the meeting at this point.

- (viii) Townholm Bowling Club (CG 4575) - The Administrative Officer advised that the group had applied for funding to assist with the costs of the total refurbishment of the bowls house changing area. The total cost of the project was £29,500.00, with a community grant award sought of £26,550.00. The Committee agreed, taking account of the £1,500.00 cap for capital projects, to award up to £450.00 (being the Central South cross boundary portion), in principle, subject to receiving a satisfactory assessment and the remainder of the funding being in place and payment of the grant be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee; and
- (ix) Bellfield Bowling Club (CG 4577) - The Administrative Officer advised that the group had applied for funding to assist with purchase and installation of a CCTV system. The total cost of the project was £3,517.00 with a community grant award sought of £3,148.30. The Committee agreed, taking account of the £1,500.00 cap for capital projects, to award up to £1,155.00 (being the Central South cross boundary portion), in principle, subject to receiving a satisfactory assessment and the remainder of funding being in place and payment of the grant be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee.

(c) Older People

- (i) Kilmarnock North Elderly Forum (CG 4521) - £70.40;
- (ii) South Kilmarnock Elderly Forum (CG 4534) - £259.00;
- (iii) Age Concern, Hurlford (CG 4537) - £70.00;
- (iv) Gatehead Monday Club (CG 4535) - £1,701.50;
- (v) Bonnyton Music and Movement (CG 4557) - £339.20; and
- (vi) Gatehead Senior Citizens Club (CG 4555) - £576.32.

(d) Social Inclusion

- (i) Buchanan Centre (CG 4563) - Agreed to an award of £6,675.00 as a one-off payment this year but the group be advised to look for alternative funding in future years.

(e) Sport

- (i) Kilmarnock Rugby Football Club (CG 4549)

(A) **Declaration of Interest**

Councillor Hugh Ross declared a non-financial interest in respect of the above item, which he considered significant in terms of paragraphs 5.17 and 5.18 of the Code of Conduct and withdrew from the meeting.

(B) **Consideration of item**

Agreed a grant award of £632.25.

- (ii) Annanhill Golf Club (Junior Section) (CG 4567) - The Administrative Officer advised that the group had applied for funding to assist with the cost of coaching equipment and junior trophies. The total cost of the project was £1,989.61, with a community grant award sought of £1,539.61. The Committee agreed to award up to £1,539.61 (or the equivalent cross-boundary portion), in principle, subject to receiving a membership list and a satisfactory assessment and payment of grant be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-chair of the Committee;
- (iii) Balmoral Boys Club Under 21s (CG 4581) - The Administrative Officer advised that an application for community grant funding had been received from Balmoral Boys Club Under 21's and that further details were awaited regarding the total cost and purpose of the grant. The Committee agreed to award up to £500.00 (or the equivalent cross-boundary portion), in principle, subject to receiving all outstanding documents and a satisfactory assessment and payment of the grant be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee; and
- (iv) Bellfield Royals 1996 (CG 4523) - The Administrative Officer advised that the group had applied for funding to assist with the costs of a Football Tournament including accommodation and travel. The total cost of the project was £5,662.30, with a community grant award sought of £1,922.30. The Committee agreed to award up to £1,201.44 (being the Central South cross-boundary portion), in principle, subject to receiving a satisfactory assessment and payment of grant be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee.

(f) Women's Issues

Gatehead Ladies Club (CG 4545) - £830.00.

(g) Young People

The Sky Kids Project (CG 4564) - £1,000.00.

The meeting terminated at 1555 hrs.