

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**CENTRAL NORTH LOCAL GRANTS COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 17 AUGUST 2010 AT 1000 HOURS  
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD,  
KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Helen Coffey, Willie Coffey, Maureen McKay, John Campbell and Gordon Cree.

**ATTENDING:** Christine Baillie, Senior Administrative Officer; Eddie Bulik, Monitoring and Administration Officer, Department of Neighbourhood Services; Jim Murdoch, Team Leader, Departmental of Educational and Social Services and Sharon McHarg, Administrative Officer.

**APOLOGY:** Councillor Jim Buchanan.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Helen Coffey, Vice-Chair.

**COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2010/2011**

1. There was submitted a report dated 9 August 2010 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to Local Organisations in 2010/2011 together with individual assessment reports (circulated) in respect of the undernoted applications.

The Committee agreed as follows:-

(a) Community Safety

- (i) East Ayrshire North Crime Prevention Panel (CG 4637) - The Administrative Officer advised that the Group had applied for funding to assist with costs of the Annual Crime Prevention School Quiz which was held on 3 June 2010 including hire of hall, prizes for winners of quiz, certificates and appropriate prizes for runners up and catering. The total cost of the project was £600, with a Community Grant sought of £200. The Committee agreed to award up to £200 (or the equivalent cross-boundary portion), in principle, subject to receiving all outstanding core documentation and a satisfactory assessment and that payment of the grant be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee.

(b) Leisure Activities

- (i) Kilmarnock and Loudoun Ramblers Association (CG 4651) - £190.00.

(c) Women's Issues

- (i) Crosshouse Women's Rural Group (CG 4630) - £26.00

(d) Young People

- (i) North West Kilmarnock Youth Project (CG 4649)

Councillor Willie Coffey, seconded by Councillor Helen Coffey, moved that the organisation be awarded £3,250.00.

Councillor Gordon Cree, seconded by Councillor John Campbell, moved as amended that consideration of this item be continued to the

next meeting of the Central North Local Grants Committee to allow the Assessing Officer to provide further information on the organisation's latest bank balance together with a detailed breakdown of the projected spend and any future funding which had been secured by the organisation.

On a division by a show of hands, the amendment was carried by 3 votes to 2.

#### **LOCAL GRANTS SCHEME 2010/2011 - REQUEST TO RE-ALLOCATE FUNDS**

2. There was submitted a report dated 28 July 2010 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support which advised the Committee of a request received from Knockinlaw Community Association to use Community Grant funding previously awarded, to enable the Association to take over the management of the former Ardbeg Community Education Centre in Knockinlaw (CG 4261), for a different purpose to that previously approved.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the request to re-allocate £862.50 of the grant funding for the Building Surveyors Inspection Report;
- (ii) to remit to the Head of Democratic Services to write to the group advising of the decision taken at (i) above and that the grant remaining of £1,137.50 should be returned to the Council; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

#### **LOCAL GRANTS SCHEME 2009/10 - RING FENCED FUNDING**

3. North West Environmental Improvements Group (CG 4541) - The Administrative Officer advised:-

- (i) that the Central North Local Grants Committee at its meeting on 31 March 2010 agreed to award, in principle, £925 subject to a condition of grant that the lease or transfer of ownership of the land from East Ayrshire Council to the organisation be confirmed in writing prior to any monies being released;
- (ii) that the Assessing Officer had subsequently been advised that the group were no longer seeking to lease or own the land which they wish to improve by creating a footpath; and
- (iii) that the group had recently secured funding for the project via the Restoring Communities Programme.

The Committee agreed that the grant be refused on the grounds that funding had been secured for the project via the Restoring Communities Programme.

The meeting terminated at 1030 hours.