

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**SOUTHERN LOCAL GRANTS COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2010 AT 1000 HOURS IN THE BARRHILL CENTRE, BANK AVENUE, CUMNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Kathy Morrice, Drew Filson, Jimmy Kelly, Neil McGhee, William Crawford, Elaine Dinwoodie and Moira Pirie.

**ATTENDING:** Eddie Bulik, Monitoring and Administration Officer, Department of Neighbourhood Services; Janice Harrison, Senior Practitioner, Educational and Social Services; and Stuart Nelson, Administrative Officer.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors Jim Roberts, David Shaw and Eric Ross.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Kathy Morrice, Chair.

**COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS WITHIN WARD 9**

**1.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

There was submitted and noted a statement dated 6 August 2010 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to local organisations within Ward 9 for 2010/11.

**1.2 NEW APPLICATIONS**

Having considered assessment reports by the relevant Executive Directors (all circulated), it was agreed as follows, namely:-

- (a) Leisure
  - (i) Lethanhill Flying Club (CG 4618) - that a grant of £500.00 be made;
- (b) Older People
  - (i) Drongan Health Initiative (CG 4650) - that a grant of £4,000.00 be made;
- (c) Sport
  - (i) Dalrymple Thistle (CG 4617) - that a grant of £500.00 be made; and
- (d) Tenants & Residents Association
  - (i) Castlecroft Tenants & Residents Association (CG 4624) - that a grant of £740.00 be made.

**COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS WITHIN WARDS 7 AND 8**

**2.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

There was submitted a statement dated 6 August 2010 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to local organisations within Wards 7 and 8 for 2010/11.

In this connection, the Administrative Officer advised that the uncommitted balance remaining from the current year's financial allocation for Community Grants for Wards 7 and 8 stood at £6,162.60, taking account of reimbursement of an amount of

£60.00 from Catrine, Sorn and District Local History Group, being the unused portion of the grant award made to that organisation by the Committee for 2009/10, and the non take-up of a grant of £135.00 approved by the Committee for Cumnock and District Elderly Forum for the current financial year, since the Forum had disbanded.

It was agreed to note the terms of the report and the further information provided by the Administrative Officer.

## **2.2 GRANTS TO OLDER PEOPLE'S ORGANISATIONS (Item 7(vii), Page 1150, 07/12)**

The Committee considered requests from the undernoted organisations included within the Older People's Category, for additional funding beyond the grant awards already approved on a per capita basis, and agreed as follows, namely:-

- 2.2.1 Mauchline Old People's Welfare Association (CG 4625)** - that an additional grant of £2,000.00 be made to the Association for the current year;
- 2.2.2 Age Concern, Cumnock (CG 4492)** - that an additional grant of £2,500.00 be made to this organisation for the current year; and
- 2.2.3 Muirkirk & District Forum (CG 4483)** - that an additional grant of £750.00 be made to the Forum for the current financial year.

## **2.3 LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME - ASSESSMENT PROCESS AND SETTING LOCAL PRIORITIES (Item 7(viii), Page 1150. 07/12)**

There was submitted a report dated 4 August 2010 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support which (i) outlined, for the information of the Committee, the assessment process used to assess applications for Community Grant funding; and (ii) asked Members to give consideration to the criteria and priorities to be applied in the allocation of resources to applications in future years.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the assessment process currently used as detailed within the report; and
- (ii) to continue consideration of the criteria and priorities to be applied in the allocation of resources to applications in future years, to a future meeting in order to enable this matter to be examined in the light of the implications for the grants budget arising from the Council's response to the outcome of the Scottish Government's spending review in October.

The meeting terminated at 1024 hours.