

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

INTERIM NORTHERN LOCAL GRANTS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2008 AT 1400 HRS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors John McGhee, Alan Brown, Stuart Finlayson and Robert McDill.

ATTENDING: Anne Marie Carr, Senior Administrative Officer; Eddie Bulik, Monitoring and Administration Officer, Department of Neighbourhood Services; Janice Harrison and Kevin Wells, Team Leaders, Community Learning and Development and Christine Baillie, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Rose-Ann Cunninghame, John MacKay and Provost Stephanie Young.

CHAIR: Councillor Alan Brown (Item 2.1(a)(i)) and Councillor Robert McDill for all other items.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR FOR THIS MEETING

1. The Administrative Officer invited nomination for the appointment of Chair for this meeting and it was unanimously agreed (i) to appoint Councillor Robert McDill as Chair for Items 2.1(b) – 2.3 of the Agenda given Councillor Robert McDill's intimation that he wished to declare an interest in Item 2.1(a)(i) of the Agenda, Darvel Music Festival/Darvel Improvement Group and (ii) to appoint Councillor Alan Brown as Chair for that Item.

1.2 Declaration of interest

Councillor Robert McDill declared a non-financial interest in the item on Darvel Music Festival/Darvel Improvement Group, in accordance with paragraphs 5.17 and 5.18 of the Councillors Code of Conduct and left the meeting.

LOCAL COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2007/2008

2. There was submitted a report dated 12 February 2008 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to Local Organisations in 2007/2008 together with individual assessment reports in respect of the undernoted applications.

2.1 Applications Approved (for the purpose specified in the application), viz:-

(a) Arts and Cultural

- (i) Darvel Music Festival/Darvel Improvement Group (CG 3852) - £1975.00 subject to the group providing confirmation of the cost of hall hire and an up to date bank statement. It was also agreed to advise the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support of the Committee's unanimous view that the Local Committee Grants Scheme

was not the most appropriate funding mechanism for this group's event given its high profile within East Ayrshire, and accordingly, that it be remitted to the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to give consideration to reviewing the most appropriate funding mechanisms for any further applications from this group.

Councillor Robert McDill re-joined the meeting at this point.

Councillor Alan Brown vacated the Chair in favour of Councillor Robert McDill.

(b) Community Associations

(i) Auchencloigh Community Hall (CG 3782) - £2000.00

(c) Early Education and Child Care

(i) St Marnock Youth Club (ENABLE) (CG 3771) – Noted award of £75.00 made under delegated authority and approved a further £297.50.

(d) Environmental

(i) Stewarton Woodlands Action Trust (CG 3795) - £1033.00

(e) Sport

(i) Dean Thistle Colts (CG 3808) – £100.00

(f) Young People

(i) Dunlop Cool Crew Youth Association (CG 3791) - £515.00

2.3 Application continued

(a) Early Education and Childcare

(i) Fenwick Pre 5's (CG 3812) – agreed to continue consideration of this application for further information in respect of:-

(a) Confirmation of the group's status;

(b) Clarification on the monies that are set aside for redundancies;

(c) Details of similar organisations who have received funding in the past; and

(d) details of what the core funding, which the group receives from the Council, covers.

The meeting terminated at 1430 hours.