

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

NORTHERN LOCAL GRANTS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2008 AT 1400 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Robert McDill, John McGhee, Stuart Finlayson and Provost Stephanie Young.

ATTENDING: Bill Walkinshaw, Head of Democratic Services; Eddie Bulik, Monitoring & Administration Officer, Department of Neighbourhood Services; and Christine Baillie, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors John MacKay, Rose-Ann Cuninghame and Alan Brown.

CHAIR: Councillor Robert McDill, Chair.

LOCAL COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME 2008/09

UPDATE ON GRANTS FROM MEETING HELD ON 7 AUGUST 2008

1.1 Leisure Activities

1.1.1 Kilmaurs Farmers Society (CG3953) (Item 1.4.1, Page 445, 07/11) - Noted that this item would be considered at Item 2.1.1 below.

1.2 Tenants & Residents Association

1.2.1 Campbell Street Tenants & Residents Association (CG4027) (Item 2.2(f)(ii), Page 447, 07/11) - Noted that the group had still to confirm if they had successfully raised the balance required for the project.

COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

2. There was submitted a report dated 22 October 2008 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to Local Organisations 2008/09 together with individual assessment reports (circulated) in respect of the undernoted applications and a verbal report in respect of Stewarton Yuletide Festival Committee (CG4128) which the Committee had agreed to consider as an additional item:-

2.1 Applications Approved (for the purpose identified in the application)

(a) Leisure Activities

(i) The Committee unanimously agreed to reconsider this item in terms of Standing Order 40.

Kilmaurs Farmers Society (CG3953) (Item 1.4.1, Page 445, 07/11) - £200.

(b) Community Councils

(i) Moscow Community Hall Committee (CG3986) (Item 2.2(c)(ii), Page 446, 07/11) - £813.26;

- (ii) Fenwick Community Council (CG4046) - £1,500;
- (iii) Darvel & District Community Council (CG4073) - £1,500;
- (iv) Newmilns & Greenholm Community Council (CG4106) - the Administrative Officer reported that the application was currently being assessed and the grant was for funding for the Christmas Lights Project.

It was agreed to award £1,500, in principle, subject to receipt of a satisfactory assessment and that the payment of the grant be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Grants Committee; and

- (v) Stewarton Yuletide Festival Committee (CG4128) - the Administrative Officer reported that the application was currently being assessed and the grant was for funding for the Christmas Lights Project.

It was agreed to award £1,500, in principle, subject to receipt of a satisfactory assessment and that the payment of the grant be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Grants Committee.

- 2.2** Having noted that the budget for 2008/09 had now been fully expended it was agreed not to hold a waiting list for applications but to invite groups to re-apply in the new financial year.

FUNDING OF HANGING BASKETS PROJECT

- 3.** There was submitted and noted a report dated 29 October 2008 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which provided the Committee with information on the funding of hanging basket projects in East Ayrshire.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to re-submit the report to an appropriate meeting prior to the new financial year when consideration would be given to determining the Committee's priorities and how best to fund hanging baskets, Christmas lights and gala days in financial year 2010/11; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

The meeting terminated at 1450 hours.