

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**CENTRAL NORTH LOCAL GRANTS COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2010 AT 1000 HOURS IN MEETING ROOM 1, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Jim Buchanan, Helen Coffey, Willie Coffey, Maureen McKay, John Campbell, Gordon Cree and Drew McIntyre.

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.

CHAIR: Councillor Jim Buchanan, Chair.

COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2010/2011

1. There was submitted a report dated 2 November 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 and tabled) in respect of the undernoted applications.

The Committee agreed as follows:-

(a) Leisure Services

- (i) West Netherton Bowling Club (CG 4670) - £435;
- (ii) Hurlford Gardening Club (CG 4675) - £245; and
- (iii) Extreme Valley Riders (CG 4683) - The Administrative Officer advised that the group had applied for funding to assist with the cost of track redesign/construction, bike purchase for workshops, training workshop leaders and transport, jump jam event and marketing/signage. The total cost of the project was £17,650 with a community grant award sought of £2,000. Funding had been sought and secured from other funders in the sum of £14,750.

The Committee agreed to award up to £140 (being the Central North cross-boundary portion), in principle, subject to receiving a satisfactory assessment and that payment of grant be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of Committee.

(b) Older People

- (i) Age Concern Hurlford (CG 4681) - £810.

(c) Tenants and Residents Groups

- (i) Kennedy Gardens Neighbourhood Watch Residents Association (CG 4658) - Refused, on the grounds that there would be no benefit to anyone outwith Dean View or the properties in Kennedy Drive at the junction with Dean View and that support for this application could also set a precedent, with other private estates applying for community grants for similar projects.

The Committee further agreed that the group be advised that other external opportunities may be available to them, in particular, Awards for All.

(d) Young People

- (i) North West Kilmarnock Youth Project (CG 4649) (Item 1(d)(i), Page 1292, 07/12) - Refused, on the grounds that a considerable balance had been accrued by the organisation and it was recommended that this be reduced before any grant be awarded.

The Committee further agreed that (i) the group be advised that should they wish to submit an application in future with a workplan for a particular project, the Committee would welcome this; and (ii) to remit to the Head of Democratic Services to provide all members of the Committee with information regarding the group's terms of lease of the North West Youth Centre which was due to expire on 31 December 2013.

Councillor Jim Buchanan left the meeting during consideration of the above item and Councillor Helen Coffey, Vice-Chair took the Chair.

2. **COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION WITHDRAWN**

(a) Community Safety

- (i) East Ayrshire North Crime Prevention Panel (CG 4637) (Item 1(a)(i), Page 1292, 07/12) - it was noted that this grant application had been terminated as the group had not provided core documentation, despite numerous reminders, to allow an assessment to be carried out.

The meeting terminated at 1032 hours.