

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

NORTHERN LOCAL GRANTS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2010 AT 1400 HOURS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

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

ATTENDING: Julie McGarry, Administration Manager; Eddie Bulik, Administration and Monitoring Officer, Neighbourhood Services; Kevin Wells, Team Leader, Community Learning and Development and Christine Baillie, Senior Administrative Officer.

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

CHAIR: Councillor Robert McDill, Chair.

LOCAL COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME 2010/11

**UPDATE FROM MEETING HELD ON 18 AUGUST 2010
(Items 2(b)(i) and 2(c)(i), Page 1306, 07/12)**

1. There was submitted a report dated 15 October 2010 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support which provided Members with an update on applications considered by the Northern Local Grants Committee at its meeting held on 18 August 2010.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the position with regards to Kilmaurs Community Council and East Ayrshire North Crime Prevention Panel as detailed in paragraph 3 of the report; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

FUNDING OF CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

2. There was submitted a report dated 21 October 2010 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support which submitted for the Committee's consideration applications received from local voluntary groups in respect of Christmas Lights projects.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve funding for Christmas Lights projects as undernoted:-
 - (a) Galston Community Council (CG 4664) - £1,721.32;
 - (b) Fenwick Community Council (CG 4673) - £1,301.39;
 - (c) Darvel and District Community Council (CG 4671) - £1,512.00;
- (ii) to refuse the application from Fenwick Community Association (CG 4674) on the grounds that in the Committee's view, there should be only one focal point

in the village for Christmas lights and this had already been achieved by the provision of lights by the Community Council;

- (iii) having heard from the Senior Administrative Officer that Newmilns and Greenholm Community Council intended to submit an application for Christmas lights for 2010, to ringfence £1,500 for this project. It was further agreed to advise the group that the application and supporting documentation should be submitted by Wednesday 24 November 2010 and thereafter payment of the grant be remitted to the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of this Committee; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2010/11

3. There was submitted a report dated 15 October 2010 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to Local Organisations in 2010/11 together with individual assessment reports (circulated) in respect of the undernoted applications and assessment reports for Extreme Valley Riders (CG 4683) and Age Concern Hurlford (CG 4681) (tabled at the meeting).

The Committee agreed as follows:-

(a) Community Associations

- (i) Fenwick Community Association (CG 4667) - refused on the grounds that funds would be generated through ticket sales for the event and that the organisation had enough money in their bank account to cover the cost of the project;
- (ii) Galston Community Association (CG 4677) - £950;

(b) Environmental

- (i) Stewarton Woodlands Action Trust (CG 4684) - it was agreed to continue consideration of this application to the next meeting to allow a full assessment to be submitted;

(c) Leisure

(i) Declaration of Interest

Councillor John McGhee declared a non-financial interest in the undernoted item, in accordance with paragraph 5.17 and 5.18 of the Councillors' Code of Conduct and remained present at the meeting.

(ii) Consideration of Item

1398 Masonic Social Club (CG 4647) - refused on the grounds that the group had enough money in their bank account to cover the cost of the project and the lack of appropriate quotes for the work;

- (iii) Hurlford Gardening Club (CG 4675) - refused on the grounds that in the Committee's view, only the costs for the hire of the hall and entertainment should be approved and these costs would be covered by the monies already approved by the Central South and Central North Local Grants Committees. It was further agreed that the group

be encouraged to apply for civic hospitality funding in respect of their 25th anniversary;

(iv) Declaration of Interest

Councillor Alan Brown declared a non-financial interest in the undernoted item, in accordance with paragraph 5.17 and 5.18 of the Councillor's Code of Conduct and left the meeting.

(v) Consideration of Item

Extreme Valley Riders (CG 4683) - £1,000.

Councillor Alan Brown re-joined the meeting at this point.

(d) Older People

(i) Age Concern Hurlford (CG 4681) - £120.

The meeting terminated at 1457 hours