

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**SOUTHERN LOCAL GRANTS COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15 MAY 2008 AT 1400 HOURS IN  
THE BARRHILL CENTRE, BANK AVENUE, CUMNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Jim Sutherland, Eric Jackson, Neil McGhee, Jim Roberts, William Crawford, Barney Menzies, Kathy Morrice and Eric Ross.

**ATTENDING:** Julie McGarry, Administration Manager; Eddie Bulik, Monitoring and Administration Officer; Suzanne Brodie, Team Leader - Community Learning and Development; Stuart Nelson, Administrative Officer; and Sandra Rorison, Senior Clerical Assistant.

**APOLOGY:** Councillor Elaine Dinwoodie.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Jim Sutherland, Chair.

**LOCAL COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME: FINANCIAL ALLOCATION FOR  
2008/2009**

1. There was submitted a report dated 27 February 2008 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which advised of the financial allocation for the Southern Local Grants Committee for the Council's Local Community Grants Scheme for financial year 2008/2009.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the financial allocation to the Local Grants Committees for community grants for the financial year 2008/2009 was £209,190.00;
- (ii) to note that the Southern Local Grants Committee allocation for the financial year 2008/2009 was £81,953.00 (Wards 7 & 8 - £54,937.00 and Ward 9 - £27,016.00); and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

**DISBURSEMENT OF COMMUNITY GRANTS 2008/2009**

2. There was submitted a report dated 29 April 2008 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to enable the Committee to consider and deal with applications for community grants received from local organisations in respect of the 2008/2009 financial year.

In this connection, the Administrative Officer provided an update on the position with regard to the assessment reports relative to the applications from VIVID (CG 3903) and Auchinleck Hillwalking Club (CG 3930).

The undernoted matters were determined as follows, namely:-

- (i) it was noted that a total sum of £81,956.00 had been allocated to the Local Grants Committee for disbursement on community grants for the 2008/2009 year (Wards 7 & 8 - £54,940.00 including an additional sum of £3.00 allocated in respect of Wards 7 & 8 arising from an accounting adjustment identified by the Finance Section; and Ward 9 - £27,016.00);

(ii) in respect of applications submitted by the undernoted groups within Ward 9 (for the purposes specified in the grant application forms), that grants be awarded in accordance with the recommendations made by the Executive Directors concerned, namely:-

(a) Arts and Cultural

- (i) Stair Craft Club (CG 3839) - £44.45;
- (ii) Cumnock Area Musical Production Society (CAMPS) (CG 3895) - £85.80;

(b) Disability

- (i) Cumnock & Doon Valley Independent Living Friendship Group (CG 3863) - £101.40;
- (ii) South East Ayrshire Disabled Club (CG 3881) - £854.28;
- (iii) Cumnock and Doon Valley Deaf Club (CG 3830) - £111.00;

(c) Health Issues

- (i) Cumnock Osteoporosis Support Group (CG 3835) - £26.57;
- (ii) Carers Support Group (CG 3869) - £466.67;
- (iii) Auchinleck Self Help Group (CG 3926) - £62.50;

(d) Leisure Activities

- (i) Darvel Horticultural Society (CG 3870) - £29.27;
- (ii) Able Activities (CG 3843) - £91.71; and

(e) Young People

- (i) East Ayrshire Women's Aid (CG 3872) - £1,056.00;

(iii) with regard to applications submitted by organisations within Wards 7 & 8:-

(1) that all applications received after the closing date of 15 February 2008 be accepted and considered;

(2) in respect of applications submitted by the undernoted groups (for the purposes specified in the grant application forms), that grants be awarded or applications refused in accordance with the "Final Recommendations" made by the Executive Directors concerned, namely:-

(a) Older People

- (i) Ochiltree Old Folk's Welfare Association (CG 3810) - £731.81;
- (ii) Opportunities in Retirement, Cumnock (CG 3823) - £1,024.53;
- (iii) Muirkirk & District Elderly Forum (CG 3824) - £1,083.07;
- (iv) Cumnock and District Elderly Forum (CG 3840) - £351.27;
- (v) Mauchline & District Seniors Forum (CG 3854) - £365.90;

- (vi) Netherthird & Craigens Senior Citizens Thursday Club (CG 3856) - £1,126.98;
  - (vii) Age Concern, Cumnock (CG 3859) - £2,681.26;
  - (viii) Senior Ladies Friday Club (CG 3862) - £248.81;
  - (ix) Mauchline Old People's Welfare Association (CG 3871) - £3,512.66
  - (x) Sorn Old Folk's Welfare Association (CG 3878) - £341.94;
  - (xi) New Cumnock Age Concern (CG 3890) - £3,863.20;
  - (xii) Lugar & Logan Age Concern Committee (CG 3892) - £878.17; and
  - (xiii) Cumnock Landward Age Concern (CG 3893) - £2,195.42;
- (b) Young People
- (i) 3<sup>rd</sup> Mauchline Brownies (CG 3829) - £450.00;
  - (ii) 1<sup>st</sup> Muirkirk Boys Brigade (Fund 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) (CG 3831) - £250.00;
  - (iii) 1<sup>st</sup> Muirkirk Boys Brigade (Repairs to Clubhouse) (CG 3832) - £300.00;
  - (iv) 1<sup>st</sup> Muirkirk Boys Brigade (Insurance) (CG 3833) - £250.00;
  - (v) 1<sup>st</sup> Muirkirk Boys Brigade (Purchase Microphones) (CG 3834) - Refused since the Muirkirk Boys Brigade can access use of microphones and a PA system within their community which is owned by Muirkirk Community Association and bearing in mind that the Association were previously given grant assistance to purchase the PA system on the basis that this was to be made available for use by the wider community in Muirkirk;
  - (vi) Muirkirk Enterprise Group (Insurance for Skateboard Park) (CG 3848) - £800.00;
  - (vii) Four Connections Youth Group (CG 3857) - £1,000.00;
  - (viii) Jolly Tots Under 5's (CG 3860) - £400.00;
  - (ix) 1<sup>st</sup> Mauchline Scout Group (CG 3861) - £250.00;
  - (x) East Ayrshire Women's Aid (CG 3872) - £1,000.00;
  - (xi) Mauchline Parish Church Holiday Club (CG 3880) - £150.00;
  - (xii) 1<sup>st</sup> Catrine Guides (CG 3884) - £150.00; and
  - (xiii) Girlguiding Ayrshire South (CG 3949) - £650.00;

(c) Leisure, Sport and Cultural

- (i) Woodroad Regeneration Forum (Running costs etc) (CG 3805) - £1,000.00;
- (ii) Cumnock and District Carpet Bowling Club (CG 3820) - £100.00;
- (iii) Catrine Community Trust (Running Costs) (CG 3822) - £1,000.00;
- (iv) Muirkirk Community Association (Purchase Crockery) (CG 3825) - £100.00;
- (v) Muirkirk Community Association (Walking Festival 2008) (CG 3826) - £300.00;
- (vi) Muirkirk Community Association (Gala Day) (CG 3827) - £200.00;
- (vii) Catrine Angling Club (CG 3836) - £100.00;
- (viii) Stair Craft Club (CG 3839) - £44.45;
- (ix) Mauchline Horticultural & Agricultural Society (CG 3841) - £100.00;
- (x) Catrine Visual Arts Group (CG 3842) - £200.00;
- (xi) Able Activities (CG 3843) - £400.00;
- (xii) Auchinleck Gardening Club (CG 3853)

Declaration of Interest

Councillor Neil McGhee declared a non financial interest and took no part in the consideration or determination of this application.

Determination of Item

It was agreed that a grant of £300.00 be made;

- (xiii) Cumnock Highland Games (CG 3864) - £1,000.00;
- (xiv) Darvel Horticultural Society (CG 3870) - £20.00;
- (xv) Bizzie Beez (CG 3874) - £100.00;
- (xvi) Cumnock Sports Centre (CG 3875) - £250.00;
- (xvii) Cumnock and District Round Table (CG 3877) - £1,000.00;
- (xviii) Catrine Drama Group (CG 3879) - £150.00;
- (xix) Muirkirk Enterprise Group (John Lapraik Festival Weekend) (CG 3882) - £200.00;
- (xx) Catrine Community Trust (Festival) (CG 3885) - £1,000.00;
- (xxi) Catrine, Sorn & District Local History Group (CG 3889) - £200.00;

- (xxii) Auchinleck Recreation Centre (CG 3891) - £250.00;
- (xxiii) CREATE (Cumnock & Doon Valley Theatre & Arts Centre) (CG 3894) - £750.00;
- (xxiv) CAMPS (Cumnock Area Musical Production Society) (CG 3895) - £750.00;
- (xxv) Floral Arts and Crafts Group (CG 3902) - £350.00;
- (xxvi) VIVID (CG 3903) - Refused since the group currently have a limited membership and are not actively seeking new members, and furthermore, are not actively seeking funding from other sources to support future sustainability of the group; and
- (xxvii) Auchinleck Hillwalking Club (CG 3930) - Refused since this organisation encourages the development of a personal hobby rather than a community wide project; has failed to demonstrate that the purpose of the application will benefit the wider community; and the purpose of the application will not directly achieve the aims and objectives of the organisation;

(d) Disability

- (i) Cumnock & District Blind Club (CG 3815) - £2,660.00;
- (ii) Cumnock & Doon Valley Deaf Club (CG 3830) - £1,383.00;
- (iii) Cumnock & Doon Valley Independent Living Friendship Group (CG 3863) - £1,825.00; and
- (iv) South East Ayrshire Disabled Club (CG 3881) - £162.72;

(e) Environmental

- (i) Ochiltree & Skares Community Council (CG 3817) - £250.00;
- (ii) Muirkirk Enterprise Group (Repairs to Roof) (CG 3846) - £500.00;
- (iii) Muirkirk Enterprise Group (Accountants Fees) (CG 3847) - £200.00;
- (iv) Auchinleck Community Council (Hanging Baskets) (CG 3855) - £300.00;
- (v) Catrine Environmental Group (CG 3883) - £750.00;
- (vi) CRAVE (CG 3887) - Refused since the organisation has failed to provide core information as required in terms of the Community Grants Scheme;
- (vii) Catrine Community Council (CG 3888) - £300.00; and
- (viii) Auchinleck Community Council (Christmas Lights) (CG 3908) - £1,500.00;

(f) Health/Well Being

- (i) Cumnock Osteoporosis Support Group (CG 3835) - £300.00;
- (ii) Cumnock Self Help Group (CG 3858) - £750.00;
- (iii) Carers Support Group (CG 3869) - £400.00; and
- (iv) Auchinleck Self Help Group (CG 3926) - £837.50;

(g) Social Inclusion

- (i) Cumnock and District Widows Group (CG 3837) - £1,000.00;
- (ii) Auchinleck Ladies Friendship Group (CG 3838) - £200.00;
- (iii) Muirkirk Learners Group (CG 3844) - £800.00;
- (iv) Asian Cultural Group (CG 3866) - £750.00;
- (v) Netherthird & District Wives and Mothers Group (CG 3876) - £350.00;
- (vi) Sorn Village Hall (CG 3886) - £1,500.00;
- (vii) Muirkirk WRI (CG 3896) - £450.00;
- (viii) Auchencloigh Community Hall (CG 3911) - £800.00; and
- (ix) Sorn Church Guild (CG 3948) - £200.00.

- (3) that the uncommitted balance of £2,852.71 remaining from the grant allocation for this year be available to deal with applications received from organisations newly formed during the remainder of the financial year or which are emergency in nature;
- (iv) it was agreed that grant awards approved by the Committee be paid only where the applicant concerned has (a) submitted all documentation relative to the application and this has been found to be satisfactory; (b) submitted a satisfactory report, with appropriate documentary evidence, to confirm use of any grant awards made in previous years; and (c) provided evidence to confirm that, where appropriate, any requisite permissions have been obtained for the project which is the subject of the application; and
- (v) for Wards 7 & 8, that it be remitted to Officers to review, and report back to a future meeting on, the priority weightings to be afforded to each of the identified grant categories.

The meeting terminated at 1458 hours.