

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**SOUTHERN LOCAL GRANTS COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 7 MAY 2009 AT 1400 HOURS IN  
THE BARRHILL CENTRE, BANK AVENUE, CUMNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Kathy Morrice, Jimmy Kelly, Neil McGhee, Barney Menzies, Eric Ross and Elaine Dinwoodie.

**ATTENDING:** Julie McGarry, Administration Manager; Eddie Bulik, Monitoring and Administration Officer; Janice Harrison, Senior Practitioner; Stuart Nelson, Administrative Officer; and Sandra Rorison, Senior Clerical Assistant.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors James Sutherland, Jim Roberts, David Shaw, William Crawford and Drew Filson.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Kathy Morrice, Vice-Chair.

**LOCAL COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME: FINANCIAL ALLOCATION FOR  
2009/2010**

1. There was submitted a report dated 21 April 2009 (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 the financial year 2009/2010.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the financial allocation to the Local Grants Committees for Community Grants for the financial year 2009/2010, as detailed in the report;
- (ii) to note that the Southern Local Grants Committee allocation for the financial year 2009/2010 was £84,416.00 (Wards 7 & 8 - £56,500.00 and Ward 9 - £27,916.00); and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

**DISBURSEMENT OF COMMUNITY GRANTS 2009/2010 -  
WARD 9 (DOON VALLEY)**

2. There was submitted a report dated 21 April 2009 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which enabled the Committee to consider and deal with applications for Community Grants received from local organisations within Ward 9 (Doon Valley) in respect of the 2009/2010 financial year.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that, including monies carried forward from 2008/09, a total sum of £29,328.94 was available to the Committee for disbursement on Community Grants for the 2009/2010 year for applications received from organisations within Ward 9;
- (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 made as follows:-

- (a) Arts and Cultural
- (i) Dalmellington Band (CG 4200) - £1,750.00; and
  - (ii) Cumnock Area Musical Production Society (CAMPS) (CG 4226) - £700.00;
- (b) Disability
- (i) Cumnock & Doon Valley Independent Living Friendship Group (CG 4191) - £122.48; and
  - (ii) South East Ayrshire Disabled Club (CG 4220) - £850.00;
- (c) Environmental
- (i) Darvel Horticultural Society (CG 4182) - £30.00;
- (d) Health Issues
- (i) Carers Support Group (CG 4211) - £664.78;
  - (ii) Cumnock Osteoporosis Society (CG 4223) - £30.00;
  - (iii) PACT (CG 4187) - £2,100.00; and
  - (iv) Auchinleck Self Help Group (CG 4169) - £33.33;
- (e) Leisure Activities
- (i) Land O'Burns Budgerigar Society (CG 4227) - £126.00; and
  - (ii) Lethanhill Flying Club (CG 4240) - £660.00;
- (f) Older People
- (i) Bellsbank Senior Citizens (CG 4246) - £600.00;
- (g) Social Inclusion
- (i) Cumnock & Doon Valley Gift Furniture Scheme (CG 4192) - £144.73; and
  - (ii) Patna Day Centre: Lunch Club (CG 4252) - £2,388.74;
- (h) Young People
- (i) East Ayrshire Women's Aid (CG 4212) - £990.00;
  - (ii) Girlguiding Ayrshire South (CG 4229) - £1,154.96;
  - (iii) Patna PTA (CG 4245) - £1,000.00; and
  - (iv) Dalrymple Youth Centre Management Committee (CG 4298) - having heard the Administrative Officer who advised that this application was for a grant of £1,316.00 in order to meet the cost of the Centre's summer programme for 2009, i.e. transport and entry to M & D's Theme Park (£558.00), transport and lessons at Newmilns Ski Slope (£208.00) and outdoor education day and transport (£550.00), that, in principle, a grant of up to £1,316.00 be made, the application to be remitted to the Head of Democratic Services to process, subject to all requirements of the application having been met, and following receipt of a

satisfactory assessment and consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of this Committee; and

- (iii) that grant awards approved by the Committee be paid only where the applicant concerned had (a) submitted all documentation relative to the application and this had been found to be satisfactory; (b) submitted a satisfactory report, with the 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 had been obtained for the project which was the subject of the application.

### **DISBURSEMENT OF COMMUNITY GRANTS 2009/2010 - WARDS 7 & 8 (CUMNOCK AREA)**

3. There was submitted a report dated 21 April 2009 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which enabled the Committee to consider and deal with applications for Community Grants received from local organisations within Wards 7 & 8 (Cumnock Area) in respect of the 2009/2010 financial year.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that, including monies carried forward from 2008/09, a total sum of £62,084.51 was available to the Committee for disbursement on Community Grants for the 2009/2010 year for applications received from organisations within Wards 7 & 8;
- (ii) having noted an update from the Administrative Officer on the reason for late submission of the application from Cumnock Landward Community Association, that all applications received after the closing date of 13 February 2009 be accepted and considered;
- (iii) 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 as follows, namely:-
- (a) Older People
- (i) Cumnock & District Elderly Forum (CG 4158) - £500.00;
  - (ii) Muirkirk Elderly Forum (CG 4168) - £900.00;
  - (iii) Netherthird & Craigens Senior Citizens Thursday Club (CG 4179) - £1,500.00;
  - (iv) Opportunities in Retirement, Cumnock (CG 4184) - £1,700.00;
  - (v) Ochiltree Old Folks Welfare (CG 4185) - £400.00;
  - (vi) Age Concern, Cumnock (CG 4198) - £1,000.00;
  - (vii) New Cumnock Age Concern (CG 4207) - £2,000.00;
  - (viii) Mauchline Old Peoples Welfare (CG 4218) - £2,000.00;
  - (ix) Lugar and Logan Age Concern (CG 4222) - £1,500.00;
  - (x) Cumnock Landward Age Concern (CG 4234) - £3,088.00; and;
  - (xi) Sorn Old Folks Welfare Association (CG 4236) - £467.00;

(b) Young People

- (i) Mauchline Burns Bairns Under 5's Group (CG 4156) - Application refused due to the high level of funds within the Group's fundraising account which could be utilised to purchase the equipment required;
- (ii) 1<sup>st</sup> Muirkirk Boys Brigade (Insurance) (CG 4163) - £200.00;
- (iii) 1<sup>st</sup> Muirkirk Boys Brigade (Purchase of Cameras) (CG 4164) - £240.00;
- (iv) 1<sup>st</sup> Muirkirk Boys Brigade (Transport) (CG 4165) - £300.00;
- (v) 1<sup>st</sup> Muirkirk Boys Brigade (Painting of Clubhouse) (CG 4166) - £150.00;
- (vi) Muirkirk Enterprise Group (Insurance for Skateboard Park) (CG 4174) - £750.00;
- (vii) 1st Mauchline Scout Group (CG 4181) - £300.00;
- (viii) 1st Catrine Guides (CG 4196) - £600.00;
- (ix) 3rd Mauchline Brownies (CG 4203) - £337.00;
- (x) Four Connections Youth Group (Letting Charges) (CG 4205) - £600.00;
- (xi) East Ayrshire Women's Aid (CG 4212) - £500.00;
- (xii) Auchinleck Primary School Parent Council (CG 4214) - £300.00;
- (xiii) Four Connections Youth Group (Outings) (CG 4221) - £648.40;
- (xiv) Catrine Primary School Parent Council (CG 4224) - £1,088.94;
- (xv) Girlguiding Ayrshire South (CG 4229) - £750.00;
- (xvi) Avonlea Youth Centre (CG 4232) - £800.00;
- (xvii) Cumnock Landward Community Association (CG 4237)

Declaration of Interest

Councillor Barney Menzies 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 £800.00 be made; and

- (xviii) Muirkirk Primary & Nursery School Parent Council (CG 4275) - £700.00;

(c) Leisure, Sport and Cultural

- (i) Catrine Angling Club (CG 4151) - £200.00;
- (ii) Muirkirk Community Association (CAMPS Pantomime) (CG 4170) - £300.00;
- (iii) Muirkirk Community Association (Gala Week) (CG 4171) - £300.00;

- (iv) Muirkirk Community Association (Walking Festival 2009) (CG 4172) - £300.00;
  - (v) Muirkirk Community Association (Fund Hillside Party) (CG 4173) - £300.00;
  - (vi) Muirkirk Enterprise Group (John Lapraik Competition) (CG 4176) - £750.00;
  - (vii) Catrine Visual Arts Group (CG 4183) - £342.92, and that the Group be advised that they should consider introducing membership fees or session charges or undertaking fundraising activities to ensure that, in future years, they could contribute to their basic running costs, and that this was a matter which the Committee would have due regard to in considering any applications which may be submitted for similar purposes in future;
  - (viii) Bizzie Beez (CG 4189) - £219.99;
  - (ix) Cumnock Sports Centre (CG 4190) - £150.00;
  - (x) Cumnock & District Round Table (CG 4195) - £2,000.00;
  - (xi) Cumnock Highland Games (CG 4197) - £1,500.00;
  - (xii) Catrine Community Trust (Fete and Music Event) (CG 4199) - £2,600.00;
  - (xiii) Dalmellington Band (CG 4200) - £500.00;
  - (xiv) Cumnock & District Carpet Bowling Club (CG 4201) - £219.70;
  - (xv) Mauchline Arts & Crafts Group (CG 4202) - £200.00;
  - (xvi) Mauchline Horticultural & Agricultural Society (CG 4210) - £236.00;
  - (xvii) Mauchline Junior Badminton Club (CG 4219) - £1,000.00;
  - (xviii) CAMPS (Cumnock Area Musical Production Society) (CG 4226) - £3,000.00;
  - (xix) Land O'Burns Budgerigar Society (CG 4227) - £105.00;
  - (xx) CREATE (CG 4228) - £2,106.30;
  - (xxi) Ochiltree Victory Celebration Gala Committee (CG 4230) - £350.00; and
  - (xxii) Catrine, Sorn & District Local History Group (CG 4233) - £350.00;
- (d) Disability
- (i) Cumnock & District Blind Club (CG 4161) - £2,000.00;
  - (ii) Cumnock & Doon Valley Independent Living Friendship Group (CG 4191) - £1,918.92; and
  - (iii) South East Ayrshire Disabled Club (CG 4220) - £150.00;

(e) Environmental

- (i) Catrine Community Council (Christmas Lights) (CG 4159) - £1,000.00;
- (ii) Catrine Community Council (Hanging Baskets) (CG 4160) - £1,000.00;
- (iii) Ochiltree Community Council (CG 4162) - £1,195.97;
- (iv) Muirkirk Enterprise Group (Accountants Fees) (CG 4175) - £100.00;
- (v) Mauchline Community Council (CG 4177) - £500.00;
- (vi) Darvel Horticultural Society (CG 4182) - £30.00;
- (vii) Auchinleck Community Council (Christmas Lights) (CG 4194) - £1,000.00;
- (viii) Catrine Environmental Group (CG 4206) - £400.00;
- (ix) Catrine Community Trust (Running Costs) (CG 4215) - £1,000.00;
- (x) New Cumnock Environmental Regeneration Volunteers (NERV) (CG 4225) - £500.00;
- (xi) Cumnock Community Council (Hanging Baskets) (CG 4235) - £300.00; and
- (xii) Auchinleck Community Council (Hanging Baskets) (CG 4250) - £300.00;

(f) Health/Well Being

- (i) Auchinleck Self Help Group (CG 4169) - £433.33;
- (ii) Cumnock Self Help Group (CG 4178) - £718.35;
- (iii) Carers Support Group (CG 4211) - £500.00; and
- (iv) Cumnock Osteoporosis Society (CG 4223) - £250.00;

(g) Social Inclusion

- (i) Muirkirk WRI (CG 4167) - £500.00;
- (ii) Cumnock & District Widows Group (CG 4186) - £850.00;
- (iii) Cumnock & Doon Valley Gift Furniture Scheme (CG 4192) - £200.00;
- (iv) New Cumnock Liaison Group (CG 4208) - £500.00;
- (v) Muirkirk Learners Group (CG 4209) - £700.00;
- (vi) Asian Cultural Group (CG 4216) - £913.44;
- (vii) New Cumnock Community Council (CG 4217) - £1,750.00; and
- (viii) Netherthird & District Wives and Mothers Group (CG 4231) - £250.00;

- (iv) that the uncommitted balance of £1,975.25 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, where an emergency application is defined as an application in respect of which the lack of a grant award would significantly prejudice the continuing existence of the organisation concerned;
- (v) that grant awards approved by the Committee be paid only where the applicant concerned had (a) submitted all documentation relative to the application and this had been found to be satisfactory; (b) submitted a satisfactory report, with the 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 had been obtained for the project which was the subject of the application; and
- (vi) arising from discussion (a) to suggest that appropriate insurance information and advice be provided to Community Associations as part of the forthcoming training sessions for the Associations being organised by Community Learning and Development; (b) that the Chair request the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services, when bringing forward future proposals to Council as part of the annual budget setting process to increase charging levels for services and facilities which are to be used by community groups, to consider including provision that such increases be held in abeyance for a period of 12 months in order that local organisations might make appropriate financial provision; and (c) that in future, in respect of applications for hanging baskets, planters or similar, Assessing Officers make applicants aware of the availability of plants etc from Auchinleck Community Development Initiative at a cost below commercial prices.

Councillors Jimmy Kelly and Elaine Dinwoodie left the meeting during consideration of this item.

The meeting terminated at 1500 hours.