

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

SOUTHERN LOCAL COMMUNITY PLANNING FORUM

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2007 AT 1405 HOURS IN THE BARRHILL CENTRE, BANK AVENUE, CUMNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Jim Sutherland, Eric Jackson, Jim Roberts, William Crawford, Barney Menzies, Kathy Morrice and Elaine Dinwoodie; Community Representatives Mr William Lees, Mrs Jean Smith, Mr Alec Cochrane, Mrs Margaret Campbell and Mr William Barr; and Substitute Community Representatives Mr James Hastie and Mr George Jones.

ATTENDING: Bill Walkinshaw, Head of Democratic Services; John Connolly, Acting Senior Practitioner - Community Learning and Development; David Johnstone, Community Safety Manager; Eleanor Bell, Environmental Health Officer; Ian Hiles and Carolyn McEwan, Licensing Standards Officers; and Stuart Nelson, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Jimmy Kelly, Neil McGhee, Eric Ross and Drew Filson; Community Representative Mrs Grace Garrity; and Substitute Community Representative Mr Matthew Burns.

CHAIR: Councillor Jim Sutherland, Chair.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING: TO ALLOW PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

1. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1406 hours to allow for a public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

2. The meeting reconvened at 1410 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

PROMOTING TENANT PARTICIPATION

3. The Forum received a presentation from Sharon Donohoe, Acting Director, Tenants Information Service, on promoting Tenant Participation.

Sharon Donohoe then responded to questions put, and issues raised, by Members of the Forum during discussion.

The Chair thanked Sharon for the presentation which had been most interesting and informative.

MINUTES

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4. There were submitted, for information, and noted, the Minutes of the meeting of the Southern Local Community Planning Forum held on 6 September 2007 (circulated).

CORPORATE SUPPORT

LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 - DRAFT STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

5. There was submitted a report dated 4 October 2007 (circulated) by the Clerk to the Licensing Board which apprised Members of the details of the East Ayrshire Licensing Board's statutory obligations in relation to the publication of a statement of Licensing Policy; invited the Forum to consider the draft Policy Statement; and invited responses from the Forum on the consultation exercise.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that Forum Members would consider the terms of the Draft Statement of Licensing Policy and submit any responses or views to the Clerk to the Licensing Board no later than 9 November 2007; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the terms of the report.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

6. The Chair advised that Item 11 on the Agenda would be dealt with as the next item of business.

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

OPERATION OF THE COMMUNITY WARDENS SERVICE

7. There was submitted and noted a report dated 11 October 2007 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services which provided an overview of the Community Wardens Service, as requested by a Community Representative at the meeting of the Forum held on 6 September 2007.

CORPORATE SUPPORT

PROPOSED ALTERATION OF STREET NAMES AT BALLOCHMYLE, MAUCLINE (Item 11, Page 114, 07/11)

8. There was submitted a report dated 9 October 2007 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support in order to enable the Forum to consider the change of names of three streets within the private housing development at Ballochmyle, Mauchline, having regard to the outcome of implementation of the required statutory procedures in accordance with Section 97 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

It was agreed, having considered the representation received from Mr George Barr in respect of one of the proposed street name changes, as detailed in the report:-

- (i) to implement the proposed street name changes as follows, namely:-
 - (a) "Adam Way" be changed to "Ballochmyle Way";
 - (b) "Wilhelmina Walk" be changed to "Adam Way";
 - (c) "Montgarswood" be changed to "Bard's Gait"; and
- (ii) that the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management make the necessary arrangements.

**STREET NAMING: PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT LOCATED OFF
MUIRKIRK ROAD, LUGAR**

9. There was submitted a report dated 9 October 2007 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which requested the Forum to consider and determine a name for a new street to be created by a private housing development located off Muirkirk Road, Lugar.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the new street be named "Craigston Holm"; and
- (ii) that the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management be advised of the outcome.

**STREET NAMING: PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT LOCATED OFF
GATESIDE ROAD, DALMELLINGTON**

10. There was submitted a report dated 23 October 2007 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which requested the Forum to consider and determine a name for a new street to be created by a private housing development located off Gateside Road, Dalmellington.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the new street be named "McAdam Way"; and
- (ii) that the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management be advised of the outcome.

**REQUEST FOR CHANGE OF STREET NAME AT GARDEN COURT,
HOLLYBUSH (Item 3, Page 35, 07/11)**

11. There was submitted a report dated 16 October 2007 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to enable the Forum to consider a request from residents of Garden Court, Hollybush, that the name of the street within which they reside be renamed "The Walled Garden".

11.1 Reconsideration of Matter

It was unanimously agreed, in terms of Standing Order 40, to reconsider this matter.

11.2 Consideration of Item

It was agreed that the name of the street in question remain as "Garden Court", the Forum being satisfied that this name was suitable and appropriate to the nature and location of this street.

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

DRONGAN OLD PEOPLE'S WELFARE ASSOCIATION (CG 3749)

12. There was reported, and noted, receipt of correspondence from the Secretary to Drongan Old People's Welfare Association which advised that the Association no longer wished to pursue an interest in the grant award of £2,200 approved, in principle, by the Forum on 6 September 2007, in respect of the Christmas Party 2007, since the Association are unable or did not wish to provide two quotations for

transportation associated with the Christmas Party, as required in terms of the grant application.

COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2007/2008

13.1 CUMNOCK AREA

13.1.1 Financial Position

There was submitted and noted an updated report dated 26 October 2007 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support, as further updated verbally by the Administrative Officer at the meeting, which advised on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to local organisations for the 2007/2008 year, within the former Cumnock Area Local Committee area.

Councillor Elaine Dinwoodie left the meeting at this point.

13.1.2 Consideration of Applications

The Forum dealt with the undernoted applications, as follows, namely:-

- (a) Keir Hardie Hill Tenants Association (CG 3758) (assessment report circulated) - having regard to the circumstances relating to the withdrawal of the previous application submitted by this organisation for the current financial year and the merits of the current application, it was agreed that a grant award of £300.00 be made;
- (b) Friends of Hillside (CG 3767) - the Administrative Officer explained that this organisation had applied for a grant of £700.00 to assist in meeting the cost of hall lets, stationery and postage costs; that this was a cross-boundary application covering both of the former Cumnock Area and Doon Valley Local Committee areas, as well as the Central Local Community Planning Forum area and areas outwith East Ayrshire; and that it was recommended that this application be dealt with as an urgent application and that a grant award of £334.73 be made in respect of the Cumnock Area element.
It was agreed that a grant award of £334.73 be made;
- (c) 1st Catrine Guides (CG 3773) (assessment report circulated) - noted that this application was from a newly formed organisation and that a grant award of £477.85 be made; and
- (d) Mauchline Community Council (CG 3777) - the Administrative Officer explained that the Community Council had applied for a grant of £600.00 to assist in meeting the cost of providing a Summer seat at Barskimming Road/Station Road, Mauchline; and that it was recommended that this application be refused on the basis that it was neither from a newly formed organisation nor was it urgent in nature.

It was agreed that this application be refused for the reasons recommended, but that the applicant be directed to the Council's External Funding and Sustainability Officer with a view to identifying other possible sources of funding for the purpose of the application.

13.2 DOON VALLEY

13.2.1 Financial Position

There was submitted and noted an updated report dated 26 October 2007 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support, as further updated verbally by the Administrative Officer at the meeting, which advised on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to local organisations for the 2007/2008 year, within the former Doon Valley Local Committee area.

13.2.2 Consideration of Applications

The Forum dealt with the undernoted applications, as follows, namely:-

- (a) Drongan Craft Club (CG 3762) (assessment report circulated) - that a grant award of £221.00 be made;
- (b) Dalrymple Boys and Girls Football Club (CG 3776) - the Administrative Officer advised that this application had only recently been received and that an assessment report was not yet available; and that the organisation had applied for a grant of £501.00 to assist in meeting the cost of an outing for club members to the Hampden Museum together with a trip to the Garage in Kilmarnock (go-karts and meal).

It was agreed that, in principle, a grant of up to £501.00 be made, and that the application 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 Forum;

- (c) Tiny Totz (CG 3755) - the Administrative Officer advised that this application had only recently been received and that an assessment report was not yet available; and that the organisation had applied for a grant of £1,190.00 to assist in meeting the cost of the purchase of a storage house, safety mats, scooter/ride-ons/coupe cars together with sundries and running costs.

It was agreed that, in principle, a grant of up to £1,190.00 be made, and that the application 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 Forum;

- (d) Dalrymple Youth FC (92's) (CG 3774) - the Administrative Officer advised that this organisation had applied for a grant of £776.00 to assist in meeting the cost of a coaching and educational trip for club members to Bolton Wanderers Football Club's Sports Academy, including transport; and that the assessment report recommended that a grant award of £560.44 be made, being the full amount requested less a deduction in respect of members who reside outwith East Ayrshire.

It was agreed that a grant award of £560.44 be made;

- (e) Friends of Hillside (CG 3767) - the Administrative Officer explained that this organisation had applied for a grant of £700.00 to assist in meeting the cost of hall lets, stationery and postage costs; that this was a cross-boundary application covering both of the former Cumnock Area and Doon Valley Local

Committee areas, as well as the Central Local Community Planning Forum area and areas outwith East Ayrshire; and that it was recommended that a grant award of £213.41 be made in respect of the Doon Valley area element.

It was agreed that a grant award of £213.41 be made; and

- (f) Patna Day Centre (CG 3783) - the Administrative Officer advised that this application had only recently been received and that an assessment report was not yet available; and that the organisation had applied for a grant of £4,425.00 to assist in meeting the cost of a Summer trip for members of the group to Kinross, including travel insurance.

It was agreed that, in principle, a grant of up to £4,425.00 be made, and that the application 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 Forum.

The meeting terminated at 1558 hours.