

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

SOUTHERN LOCAL COMMUNITY PLANNING FORUM

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2007 AT 1404
HOURS IN DALMELLINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE, AYR ROAD,
DALMELLINGTON**

PRESENT: Councillors Kathy Morrice, Eric Jackson, Neil McGhee, William Crawford, Eric Ross, Elaine Dinwoodie and Drew Filson; Community Representatives: Mr William Lees, Mrs Jean Smith, Mrs Margaret Campbell, Mr William Barr, Mrs Anne Johnstone, Mrs Grace Garrity and Mr Tony Foote; and Substitute Community Representatives: Mr Geoff Crolley, Mr James Hastie, Mr Matt Burns and Mr George Jones.

ATTENDING: Bill Walkinshaw, Head of Democratic Services; Margaret MacBain, Acting Team Leader - Community Learning and Development; Susan Fulton, Disability Awareness Officer; Eleanor Bell, Environmental Health Officer; Alison Findlay, Service Manager - Community Care; Angie Bennett, Sports Development Manager; and Stuart Nelson, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Jim Sutherland, Jim Roberts and Barney Menzies.

CHAIR: Councillor Kathy Morrice, Vice-Chair.

**APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES AND SUBSTITUTES:
DRONGAN, RANKINSTON AND STAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

1. The Administrative Officer reported that Mr Edward Torrance had resigned as Community Representative for Drongan, Rankinston and Stair Community Council; and that the Community Council had now nominated Mr William Barr, previously the Substitute Community Representative, to serve as the Community Representative, and Mr George Jones to serve as the Substitute Community Representative.

It was agreed to note the terms of the report and to approve the nominations submitted by Drongan, Rankinston and Stair Community Council.

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING: TO ALLOW PUBLIC QUESTION
AND ANSWER SESSION**

2. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1405 hours to allow for a public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

3. The meeting reconvened at 1428 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance, with the exception of Substitute Community Representative Mr Matt Burns, who had left the meeting during the Question and Answer Session.

CORPORATE SUPPORT

BUILDING STANDARDS AND PARTNERSHIP WORKING WITH ACCESS PANELS

4. The Forum received a presentation from Susan Fulton, Disability Awareness Officer, on Building Standards and Partnership Working with Access Panels.

Susan Fulton then responded to issues raised, and questions put, by Members of the Forum.

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

Councillor Elaine Dinwoodie left the meeting during consideration of this item.

MINUTES

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

5. There were submitted, for information, and noted, the Minutes of the meeting of the Southern Local Community Planning Forum held on 20 June 2007 (circulated).

5.1 **Matter Arising: Item 2 - A Review of East Ayrshire Council's Decision Making Structure and Developing Community Engagement (Item 2, Page 34, 07/11)**

The Administrative Officer confirmed, and it was noted, that the closing date for the submission of comments on the proposals to develop community engagement within East Ayrshire had been extended to 30 November 2007, as indicated in correspondence recently issued to Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and local community organisations.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

6. The Chair advised that the undernoted item would be brought forward on the Agenda and dealt with as the next item of business.

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

EAST AYRSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL'S GRANT AID FUNCTION (Item 5(v)(3)(e)(xxv), Page 40, 07/11)

7. There was submitted and noted a report dated 7 August 2007 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services which provided up-to-date information on the function and achievements of East Ayrshire Sports Council with particular focus on the organisation's grant aid criteria and awards.

Arising from discussion, it was noted that the Sports Development Manager would circulate to Members of the Forum a list of organisations who are, or have been, members of East Ayrshire Sports Council within the last three years.

Community Representative Mrs Grace Garrity left the meeting during consideration of this item.

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY GRANT: KEIR HARDIE HILL TENANTS ASSOCIATION (CG 3557) (Item 5(v)(3)(c)(xxvii), Page 40, 07/11)

8. Noted receipt of a letter from the Secretary to Keir Hardie Hill Tenants Association, Cumnock, which advised that the Association was no longer proceeding with the project for the provision of a multi-use games area and, therefore, that the grant award of £600.00 approved by the Forum for this purpose was no longer required.

Councillor Drew Filson left the meeting at this point.

APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY GRANT: MUIRKIRK LEARNERS GROUP (CG 3648) (Item 5(v)(3)(g)(vii), Page 42, 07/11)

9. There was submitted a report dated 20 August 2007 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to enable the Forum to determine how to proceed in respect of the application for Community Grant submitted by Muirkirk Learners Group (CG 3648).

9.1 Reconsideration of Decision

It was unanimously agreed, in terms of Standing Order 40, to reconsider the previous grant award made in respect of this application.

9.2 Consideration of Item

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the further information provided in respect of this application, as detailed in the report; and
- (ii) that a grant award of £1,200.00 be now made in respect of this application.

COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2007/2008

10.1 Financial Position

There was submitted and noted, as verbally updated by the Administrative Officer, a report dated 20 August 2007 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which advised on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to local organisations for the 2007/2008 year, within each of the former Cumnock Area and Doon Valley Local Committee areas.

10.2 Consideration of Applications

It was agreed, having considered the individual assessment reports (circulated) in respect of the undernoted applications, as follows, namely:-

Cumnock Area

(a) Leisure, Sport and Cultural

- (i) Mauchline Arts and Crafts Club (CG 3746) - that this application be dealt with as an emergency application, and that a grant of £175.00 be made; and
- (ii) Hurlford Badminton Coaching Club (CG 3747) - noted that this application was a cross boundary application, and that a grant of

£275.00 be made, subject to a suitable dissolution clause being added to the club's constitution.

Arising from discussion, it was noted that the Head of Democratic Services would give consideration to the means by which recipients of Community Grant funding in respect of events to take place in other countries, might assist in promoting East Ayrshire Council in conjunction with their activities.

Doon Valley Area

(a) Tenants/Residents Groups

- (i) Bellsbank Tenants and Residents Association (CG 3703) - that a grant of £550.00 be made;

(b) Early Education and Childcare

- (i) The Happy Hens (CG 3733) - that a grant of £500.00 be made; and

(c) Older People

- (i) Drongan Old People's Welfare Association (CG 3749) - that a grant of £2,200.00 be made, subject to confirmation of the number of members of the organisation as indicated in the assessment report.

CORPORATE SUPPORT

STREET NAMING: HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT BALLOCHMYLE, MAUCHLINE (Item 10, Page 2848, 03/07)

11. There was submitted a report dated 21 August 2007 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to request the Forum to consider a request by the developer, Ardgowan Homes Ltd., that certain of the streets to be created by a private housing development located at Ballochmyle, Mauchline, be renamed.

11.1 Re-consideration of Matter

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

11.2 Consideration of Item

It was agreed:-

- (i) to retain the name 'Whitefoord' for the street to which it was previously allocated;
- (ii) having considered the developer's request, to implement the necessary statutory procedures in accordance with the terms of Section 97 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, on the basis of proposals to change the names of the undernoted streets as follows, namely:-
- "Adam Way" be changed to "Ballochmyle Way";
 - "Wilhelmina Walk" be changed to "Adam Way"; and
 - "Montgarswood" be changed to "Bard's Gait";
- (iii) that a further report on the outcome of (ii), above, be submitted to the next meeting of this Forum for consideration; and

- (iv) otherwise, to note the terms of the report.

**STREET NAMING: PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS LOCATED AT
NEWTON TERRACE, CATRINE AND AFTON PARK, NEW CUMNOCK
(Item 3, Page 35, 07/11)**

12. There was submitted a report dated 20 August 2007 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to request the Forum to consider and determine street names for new streets to be created by private housing developments located off Newton Terrace, Catrine and Afton Park, New Cumnock.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the new street located off Newton Terrace, Catrine be named "Reid's Field";
- (ii) that the new street located at Afton Park, New Cumnock be named "Nith View"; and
- (iii) that the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management be advised accordingly.

EDUCATIONAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES

MULTI-AGENCY INSPECTION OF LEARNING DISABILITY SERVICES

13. There was submitted and noted a report (circulated) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services on the outcome of the Multi-Agency Inspection of Learning Disability Services.

NEXT MEETING

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

14. It was noted that the next meeting of the Southern Local Community Planning Forum would be held on Thursday 1 November 2007 commencing at 1400 hours in the Barrhill Centre, Bank Avenue, Cumnock.

The meeting terminated at 1602 hours.