

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 10 MARCH 2005 AT 1400 HRS
IN JOHN FULTON HALL, MAIN ROAD, FENWICK**

PRESENT: Councillors John McGhee and Jim O'Neill; Community Representatives Iain Finlayson, Ashley Bell, Jim Corson, Jean Brown, Jim Miller, Charles Lindsay, Cathy Spicer and Debbie Olson; and Named Substitutes Mary White, Rhoda Gourlay, May McMillan, Barbara Wiseman and Alistair Thomson.

ATTENDING: Euan Couperwhite, Head of Resource Support, Educational and Social Services; Anne Marie Carr, Senior Administrative Officer; Billy McDowall, Team Leader, Educational and Social Services; and Christine Baillie, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Inspector Ramsay McArthur, and Sergeant Ian Haynes, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Maureen McKay and Stephanie Young.

CHAIR: Councillor John McGhee, Chair.

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

1. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1402 hrs to allow a 15 minute maximum public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

2. The meeting reconvened at 1415 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

MINUTES**3.1 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

There were submitted for information and noted, the Minutes of Meeting of the Northern Area Local Committee held on 13 January 2005 (circulated).

3.2 MATTER ARISING**3.2.1 Neighbourhood Services – Receipts for Housing Repairs Etc**

In connection with the item "Receipts for Housing Repairs Etc" (Item 6, Page 1169, 03/07) it was noted that the implementation date for the issue for receipts for housing repairs etc would be week beginning 14 March 2005.

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES**SAFER STREETS – STRATHCLYDE POLICE REPORT**

4. There was submitted and noted a report (circulated) by Superintendent Elizabeth Weir, Operations Commander, East Ayrshire on crime figures and police activity within the Northern Area.

MISCELLANEOUS

POLICE REPORT

5. Sergeant Ian Haynes, Strathclyde Police, reported on Local Policing.

It was agreed to note:-

- (i) three common assaults and two serious assaults had been reported on 25/26 February 2005 with CID and Local Officers continuing enquiries into both serious assaults;
- (ii) a number of action plans to maximise local resources had been submitted for peak times concentrating on local hot spots;
- (iii) damage to street lighting in Nether Robertland and electrical road signs had been recorded and one local youth had been reported to the Children's Panel;
- (iv) this issue along with the issue of damaging or removing the covers from domestic gas supplies outside houses in Nether Robertland would be the subject of safety inputs to school assemblies at Stewarton Academy; and
- (v) Mark Lees would be holding the inaugural meeting for the proposed mountain bike club shortly, to help improve facilities for young people.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME 2004/05

6. There was submitted a report dated 21 February 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to Local Organisations in 2004/05, together with individual assessment reports (circulated) in respect of the applications received.

It was agreed as follows:-

6.1 **Applications Approved** (for the purpose identified in the applications), viz:-

(a) Community Councils

- (i) Stewarton and District Community Council Lifelong Learning Committee - £756.00;
- (ii) Fenwick Community Council - £1,088.00 for the purchase of two Dunure benches. It was also agreed an additional condition, viz:- that future responsibility for the repair and maintenance of the benches would lie solely with Fenwick Community Council and the group must ensure that appropriate public liability insurance was in place before the benches were installed;
- (iii) Stewarton and District Community Council - £82.25.

(b) Sport

- (i) Stewarton Annick Under 16's - £1,946.55 from financial year 2004/2005 and £53.45, in principle from financial year 2005/2006 making a total award of £2,000.00.

RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2005-2006

7. There was submitted a report dated 21 February 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support, together with a verbal update by the Administrative Officer, which advised on the outcome of the recruitment of Community Representatives and Substitutes to serve on the Northern Area Local Committee for the period 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the nominations received to date for Community Representatives and Substitutes made by the Local Committee organisations for the period 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006 as follows:-

Organisation	Community Representative	Named Substitute
Dunlop and Lugton Community Council	Jim Miller	Barbara Wiseman
Fenwick Community Council	Ashley Bell	Rhoda Gourlay
Kilmaurs Community Council	Jim Corson	May McMillan
Moscow and Waterside Community Council	Jean Brown	George Kerr
Stewarton and District Community Council	Iain Finlayson	Mary White
Church Forum	Cathy Spicer	John McFadden (temporary)
Community/Residents Association	Charles Lindsay	Alistair Thomson
Disability Forum	Linzi Haggerty	No Substitute

- (ii) to note the current position relating to the outstanding nominations for Community Representatives and Named Substitutes in respect of the Elderly Forum and the Youth Forum; and
- (iii) to note the nomination from the Church Forum for John McFadden to serve as a temporary representative pending a further nomination from the organisation.

EDUCATIONAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES

KILMAURS CABIN – DDA IMPLICATIONS

8. There was submitted a report dated 25 January 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of property issues regarding Kilmaurs Cabin, Main Street, Kilmaurs.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to remit to the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services to arrange for a technical assessment to be made on the cabin to ascertain the financial implications involved to bring the cabin up to DDA standards; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the content of the report.

NAMING OF STREETS BY LOCAL COMMITTEES

9.1. DEVELOPMENT OFF GLASGOW ROAD, KILMARNOCK

There was submitted a report dated 21 February 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which requested a street name for a new development off Glasgow Road, Kilmarnock.

It was reported and noted that "De Walden Place" at para 3.1 of the report should read "De Walden Drive".

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the name for the new street off Glasgow Road, Kilmarnock be De Walden Drive;
- (ii) that the Department of Development and Property Services be advised accordingly; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

9.2 DEVELOPMENT OFF CUTSBURN ROAD, STEWARTON

There was submitted a report dated 21 February 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which requested a street name for a new development off Cutsburn Road, Stewarton.

It was agreed:-

- (iv) that the name for the new street off Cutsburn Road, Stewarton be Cutsburn Brae;
- (v) that the Department of Development and Property Services be advised accordingly; and
- (vi) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

LOCAL ISSUES

- 10.1** There was submitted and noted a report dated 21 February 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on local issues raised, and where applicable, the timescale for reporting back to this Local Committee.

It was also noted that a reply had been received from SPT regarding proposals for the Kilmarnock to Glasgow rail line given that management responsibility for Rail Routes had changed and this had been circulated to Members prior to the meeting.

NEW LOCAL ISSUES

- 10.2** Community Representatives were invited to raise any items of local interest for inclusion on a future agenda.

It was agreed to incorporate into the forward planner of Local Committee Business a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on the progress made by the Council to meet the targets set by the Scottish Executive in the National Strategy for Sport in Scotland.

The meeting terminated at 1500 hours.