

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL****COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2004 AT 1000 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Jim O'Neill, Stephanie Young, Gordon Cree, John Weir, Drew McIntyre, Isabella Macrae, Harry Wilson, Iain Linton, John Campbell, Ray Murray, John Knapp, Jim Raymond, George Smith, Tommy Farrell, Neil McGhee and William Crawford.

**ATTENDING:** Bill Stafford, Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services; David Mitchell, Head of Administrative and Legal Services; John F Crawford, Head of Protective Services; Robert Pollock, Cleansing Services Manager; Paul Whip, Financial Services Manager; and Christine Baillie, Administrative Officer.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors John McGhee, Daniel Coffey, William Menzies, Elaine Dinwoodie and Elaine Stewart.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Jim O'Neill, Chair.

**BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES (LEISURE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES) TO 19 SEPTEMBER 2004 (PERIOD 6)**

1. There was submitted and noted a joint report dated 14 October 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Neighbourhood Services (Leisure and Protective Services) for the period ended 19 September 2004 (Period 6).

**BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT: OUTDOOR AMENITIES AND LEISURE MANAGEMENT TO 19 SEPTEMBER 2004 (PERIOD 6)**

2. There was submitted and noted a joint report dated 21 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Head of Finance and Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Outdoor Amenities and Leisure Management for the period ended 19 September 2004 (Period 6).

Councillor Linton joined the meeting during consideration of this item.

**BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT: REFUSE COLLECTION AND STREET CLEANSING TO 19 SEPTEMBER 2004 (PERIOD 6)**

3. There was submitted and noted a joint report dated 21 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Head of Finance and Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Refuse Collection and Street Cleansing for the period ended 19 September 2004 (Period 6).

**ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORT QUARTER 3 (1 JULY 2004 to 30 SEPTEMBER 2004)**

4. There was submitted and noted a report dated 14 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on absence rates for Community Services, within the Department of Neighbourhood Services for the quarterly period ended 30 September 2004.

**SALE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS TO YOUNG PERSONS (Item 8, Page 1124, 96/99)**

5. There was submitted a report dated 10 September 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on the enforcement action taken over 2003/04 to satisfy the legal measures introduced by the Children and Young Persons (Protection from Tobacco) Act 1991 which had been designed to control the sale of tobacco products to young persons.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the enforcement strategy set out in section 3 of the report; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

**BURNS MONUMENT, KAY PARK, KILMARNOCK (Item 9, Page 2911, 99/03)**

6. There was submitted a report dated 26 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on proposals to refurbish the Burns Monument in Kay Park, Kilmarnock and which sought approval to explore appropriate alternative options.

It was agreed to remit to the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to submit, to a future meeting of the Committee, a more detailed report with provisional costings, in respect of all options to be considered for refurbishment of the Burns Monument.

Councillor Weir joined the meeting during discussion of this item.

**THREE BIN SYSTEM OF KERBSIDE RECYCLING (Item 1, Page 682, 03/07)**

7. There was submitted a report dated 15 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services which provided a progress report on the introduction of kerbside waste recycling to households in East Ayrshire.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to recommend that Council approves the adoption of the revised policy for household waste kerbside recycling;
- (ii) to note that progress reports on the implementation of the revised policy would be submitted to future meetings of this Committee; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

**WASTE DISPOSAL STRATEGY (Item 2, Page 2989, 99/03)**

8. There was submitted a report dated 20 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on progress in developing the Council's long-

term Residual Waste Treatment and Disposal Strategy in the light of recent correspondence from the Scottish Executive.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the tender documentation etc for the new long-term Residual Waste Treatment and Disposal Strategy provide for the participation of other Local Authorities with appropriate financial benefits accruing to those participating;
- (ii) to note that the funding for any contract awarded could only be met as a result of a successful bid to the Strategic Waste Fund;
- (iii) to note that Waste Management and Planning Officers had been invited to a meeting to discuss the creation of an Ayrshire Strategic Review Group with the purpose of updating the Scottish Executive and SEPA of the progress of the Ayrshire Local Authority Implementation Plan and to draw up an action plan for the future; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

#### **WASTE RECYCLING - AMENDED TARGETS FOR LOCAL AUTHORITIES**

9. There was submitted a report dated 26 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on amended targets for waste recycling recently announced by the Scottish Executive.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that the new target of 28% municipal waste recycling would place an additional onus on the Council to sustain current levels of household waste recycling;
- (ii) to note that the Department would continue to promote, encourage and maximise waste recycling throughout all sections of the community; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

#### **CLEANSING - VEHICLE REPLACEMENT**

10. There was submitted a report dated 15 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on the vehicle replacement requirements of the Cleansing DSO in financial year 2005/06 and which sought approval for the acquisition of one refuse collection vehicle, two mechanical sweepers and two pick-ups.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the acquisition subject to appropriate budget provision having been made of one refuse collection vehicle estimated at a capital cost of £123,000, two 3.5 tonne pick-ups at £40,000 and two street sweeping vehicles at £140,000; and
- (ii) to remit to the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to request the Executive Head of Finance to secure the appropriate operating leases for the above in due course.

### **DALRICKET MILL LANDFILL SITE, BY NEW CUMNOCK**

11. There was submitted a report dated 1 November 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services which sought authority to declare surplus the Dalricket Mill Landfill Site, by New Cumnock.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to declare the Dalricket Mill Landfill Site, by New Cumnock surplus to requirements; and
- (ii) to refer the matter to the Executive Director of Development and Property Services for disposal.

### **AWARDING OF CONTRACTS**

12. There was submitted and noted a report dated 4 November 2004 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which provided, for information, details of tenders which had been accepted, as follows:-

<b>Contract</b>	<b>Successful Contractor</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Supply and Delivery of 2 52BHP Tractors	Scottish Grass Machinery, Inverkeithing	£19,795.00 each - Total £39,590.00
Neighbourhood Disputes/Homeless Mediation Service	SACRO, Edinburgh	Schedule of Rates

The meeting terminated at 1025 hours.