

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2004 AT  
1400 HRS IN THE MORTON HALL, MAIN STREET, NEWMILNS**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Isabella Macrae, Harry Wilson, Jim Raymond, Stuart Finlayson and Robert McDill; and Community Representatives Isobel Loudon, Frank Dawson, Jessie Graham and Aniela Miller; and Named Substitutes Cathie Brown MBE, Finlay MacLean and Gerard Cassidy.

**ATTENDING:** Susan Morris, Policy Officer; Billy McDowall, Team Leader (Community Learning and Development); Anne Bennet, Sign Language Interpreter; and Jennifer Morrison, Administrative Officer.

**ALSO ATTENDING:** Sgt Jim Stevenson, Strathclyde Police.

**APOLOGIES:** Community Representative Steve Brown and Named Substitute Joyce McCulloch.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Isabella Macrae, Chair.

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

1. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1401 hrs to allow for a 15 minute maximum public question and answer session.

**RECONVENTION OF MEETING**

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

**PRESENTATION ON EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL'S LOCAL HOUSING  
STRATEGY**

3. The Committee received a presentation from Susan Morris, Policy Officer, Housing Service, on East Ayrshire Council's Local Housing Strategy, including ongoing consultations and actions identified within the Strategy.

Members of the Committee then had the opportunity to ask questions and thereafter the Chair thanked Susan Morris for her presentation.

**MINUTES**

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

4. There were submitted for information and noted the Minutes (circulated) of the Irvine Valley Local Committee meeting held on 15 September 2004.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES**

**SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT 'U' DIVISION**

5. There was submitted a report dated 18 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services which advised Members on reported crime figures relating to the Irvine Valley area.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services be asked to include in future reports, the reported crime figures for the six month period prior to the preceding period and comparative period last year already included in the report; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

### **EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM**

6. There was submitted Minutes of the Community Safety Forum meeting of 22 September 2004 (circulated).

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Head of Roads and Transportation be requested to provide a report to the next meeting on the lack of south bound slip roads on the new M77, and the possible safety implications thereon in respect of emergency vehicle access; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the minutes.

### **LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME**

#### **LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME 2004/2005**

7. There was submitted a report dated 26 October 2004 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on the financial position and profile of percentage allocations as at 1 November 2004 in respect of Community Grants to local organisations in 2004/05 together with summary statements relating to the value of grants within the categories agreed by the Local Committee, as well as the individual assessment reports in respect of the undernoted applications (all circulated).

It was then agreed:-

- (i) **Applications Approved** (for the purpose as specified in the application), viz:-

(a) Disability

- (i) Kilmarnock Forum on Disability - £1,012.80.
- (ii) East Ayrshire Access Panel (North District) - £400.00.
- (iii) Hurlford and Crookedholm Community Council - £500.00.

(b) Environmental & Heritage

- (i) Hurlford and Crookedholm Community Council - £824.70.
- (ii) Galston Community Council - £632.45.

(c) Leisure and Sport

- (i) Newmilns and Galston Band - £705.84.
- (ii) Newmilns and Greenholm Friendship Club - £704.00 and that the group be asked to investigate other sources of funding both within the group activities and other external funding.
- (iii) Kilmarnock Folk Club - £200.00.

**Declaration of Interest**

Community representative Isobel Loudon declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to the Moscow Community Hall Committee application and took no part in the decision.

(iv) Moscow Community Hall Committee - £485.00

**(d) Older People**

(i) Age Concern, Hurlford – The Administrative Officer reported the details in respect of this application in respect of the organisation's annual Christmas party and refreshments for 210 people. The group had listed the cost of this dinner at £1680 which was the amount of community grant sought. The application had not yet been assessed.

The Committee then agreed in principle, an award of up to £700 subject to receipt of a satisfactory assessment, and that payment of the grant be remitted to the Administration Manager in consultation with the Chair.

**(e) Miscellaneous**

(i) Allies (Working with the Homeless) - £56.

Named Substitute Finlay MacLean left the meeting before the decisions had been reached on the community grant applications.

**NAMING OF STREETS BY LOCAL COMMITTEE****DEVELOPMENT OFF CEMETERY ROAD, GALSTON**

8. There was submitted a report dated 26 October 2004 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which requested that the Committee consider a street name for a new development off Cemetery Road, Galston.

It was agreed:

- (i) that the new street within the new development off Cemetery Road, Galston be named Kyle Court;
- (ii) to advise the Department of Development and Property Services accordingly; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

**LOCAL ISSUES**

9. There was submitted and noted a report dated 26 October 2004 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on local issues raised and, where appropriate, the timescale for reporting back to the Local Committee.

**NEW LOCAL ISSUES**

10. Community Representatives were invited to raise any items of local interest for inclusion on a future Agenda.

It was agreed that the Committee wished to receive presentations on (i) the new Ward Boundaries; and (ii) the three bins system once it had been operational in the Irvine Valley for a year.

The meeting terminated at 1515 hrs.