

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2004 AT 1400 HOURS IN GRANGE ACADEMY S&R WING, OFF BEECH AVENUE, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Brian Reeves, Douglas Reid, Gordon Cree and John Campbell; Community Representatives Tom Cook, Charles Calman, John McIvor, John Tannock, Esther Caldwell, Linda Thomson, Maurice Ashbridge, Stephen Grant and John Donaldson; and Named Substitutes Jean Churchill, Ian McVey, Louise Sansum and Mary Fraser.

ATTENDING: Graeme Cumming, Community Worker; Kerr Chalmers, Senior Engineer (Roads and Transportation Division); Janice Harrison, Team Leader (Community Learning and Development); and Christine Baillie and Jennifer Morrison, Administrative Officers.

ALSO ATTENDING: Police Constable Paul Clarke, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Iain Linton and Named Substitutes Allison McCann and Margaret Adamson.

CHAIR: Councillor Brian Reeves, Chair.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING: TO ALLOW PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

1. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1401 hours for approximately 15 minutes to allow for a public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

2. The meeting reconvened at 1411 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

3. The Chair at his discretion and in terms of Standing Order 19 (iii) agreed that three further applications for community grant funding which had been received from (i) East Ayrshire Access Panel (North District) (ii) Newmilns and Galston Band, and (iii) Kilmarnock Folk Club be considered under item 7 on the agenda by reason that urgent decisions were required.

MINUTES

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4. There were submitted, for information, and noted the Minutes of meetings of the Special Local Committee held on 15 June 2004 and the Local Committee of 31 August 2004 (both circulated).

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT "U" DIVISION

5. There was submitted and noted a report dated 11 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on behalf of Superintendent Liz Weir, Sub-Divisional Officer, East Ayrshire, which advised members on the nature and results of policing issues, operations and localised crime figures for the preceding period.

EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM

6. There was submitted for information and noted minutes of the meeting held on 22 September 2004 (circulated).

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

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7. There was submitted a report dated 11 October 2004 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on the financial position on current applications, together with summary statements relating to the value of grants within the categories agreed by the Local Committee, as well as individual assessment reports in respect of the undernoted applications.

It was agreed:-

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

(a) Older People

- (i) Gatehead Senior Citizens Club - £390.00 subject to the receipt of a second quote for bus hire.
- (ii) Crosshouse Friendship Club - £80.00.
- (iii) Glebe Old Mens Cabin - £77.00 following clarification from Jennifer Morrison, Administrative Officer that the assessor was in fact recommending £77.00 for the Christmas and Burns events and not £80.00 as stated in Section 6 of the assessment.

(b) Disability

Declaration of Interest

Community Representative Linda Thomson declared a direct pecuniary interest in the item relating to Kilmarnock Forum on Disability and left the meeting during consideration of the application. Community Representative Tom Cook also left the meeting and was not present when a decision was made in relation to this application.

- (i) Kilmarnock Forum on Disability - £1012.80

(c) Arts & Cultural

- (i) Newmilns and Galston Band - £176.46
- (ii) Kilmarnock Folk Club - £200 towards the Kilmarnock Folk Weekend, and that the club be advised to investigate funding through the

Department of Educational and Social Services in respect of the school Ceilidhs’.

(d) Miscellaneous

Declaration of Interest

Community Representative Esther Caldwell declared a non-pecuniary interest in the application relating to Crosshouse Action Now and left the meeting during consideration of the application.

- (i) Crosshouse Action Now - £1,000 and that the group be offered advice on other possible funding sources by the Council’s External Funding and Sustainability Officer.

Application Continued

Declaration of Interest

Community Representatives Tom Cook and Linda Thomson had declared a non-pecuniary interest in the item relating to East Ayrshire Access Panel (North District). Tom Cook had left the meeting during consideration of this application.

- (i) East Ayrshire Access Panel (North District) – continued to the next meeting for further information clearly defining the role of the group, in particular clarification was sought that the work of the Access Panel did not duplicate the work of Kilmarnock Forum on Disability.

Arising from discussion of the community grants it was agreed that the date of receipt of application be included in the grant information submitted to Committee.

DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTY SERVICES

SPEED LIMITS AT NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

- 8. There was submitted a report dated 11 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services on procedures which related to speed limits at new residential developments which occurred outwith existing 30mph speed limits.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Committee wished to ask the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to consider again the introduction of speed reduction measures on the major arterial roads within Kilmarnock; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

EDUCATIONAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES

**FACILITIES FOR COMMUNITY LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT –
KILMARNOCK CENTRAL AREA**

- 9. There was submitted a report dated 12 October 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services which provided the Local Committee with information about community facilities within the Kilmarnock Central area.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Team Leader (Community Learning and Development) would report back to the Local Committee should there be problems with access to the Glebe Old People's Cabin for people with a disability; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the content of the report.

LOCAL ISSUES

9.1 LOCAL ISSUES

There was submitted and noted a report dated 11 October 2004 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on local issues raised and, where applicable, the timescales for reporting back to the Local Committee.

9.2 NEW LOCAL ISSUES

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

It was agreed that an invitation be extended to the new Town Centre Manager to attend a Local Committee meeting early next year to introduce himself, and to inform the Local Committee of his plans for the area.

The meeting terminated at 1515 hours.