

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2006 AT
1400 HOURS IN THE MORTON HALL, MAIN STREET, NEWMILNS**

PRESENT: Councillors Isabella Macrae, Harry Wilson, Stuart Finlayson and Robert McDill; Community Representatives Frank Dawson, Jessie Graham, and Isobel Loudon; and Named Substitute Kerryann Templeton.

ATTENDING: Margaret MacBain, Acting Team Leader, Community Learning and Development; Anne Marie Carr, Senior Administrative Officer; and Jennifer Morrison, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Chief Inspector Ian Thomas; Inspector Derek Ireland; and Sergeant Jim Stevenson, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Jim Raymond; Community Representatives Steve Brown, Aniela Miller and Les Pittams; and Named Substitutes Shirley Ferguson, Bobby Leggate and Lillian Meikle.

CHAIR: Councillor Isabella Macrae, Chair.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

1. The Chair welcomed Kerryann Templeton, Named Substitute, Pre-5, Chief Inspector Thomas and Inspector Ireland to their first meeting of the Local Committee.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

2. The Chair agreed to the consideration of two additional items as early decisions were required (i) a community grant application from Age Concern, Hurlford (CG3472); and (ii) a street naming request for Burn Road, Darvel (Items 8.1(e)(i) and 14 respectively).

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

3. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1405 hours to allow for a 15 minute (maximum) public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

4. The meeting reconvened at 1406 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

MINUTES

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

5. There was submitted for information and noted, the Minutes (circulated) of the Irvine Valley Local Committee Meeting held on 30 September 2006.

MATTERS ARISING**5.1 COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2006/2007 (ITEM 10.1 (a) AND 11, PAGE 2410, 03/07)****Darvel & District Community Council (CG3435)**

The Administrative Officer reported and it was noted that following the receipt of a satisfactory assessment an award of £1,150.00 had been made by the Administration Manager following the remit to him, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Local Committee.

Newmilns & Greenholm Community Council (CG3438)

The Administrative Officer reported and it was noted that following receipt of a satisfactory assessment, an award of £2,937.00 had been made by the Administration Manager following the remit to him in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Local Committee.

5.2 LAND REFORM (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003 – CORE PATH PLANNING (Item 9, page 2409, 03/07)

Councillor Stuart Finlayson advised certain maps had been missing from the Ayrshire Access Toolkits provided to Galston Community Council, and accordingly, Anneke Freel would attend the Community Council's next meeting.

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES**EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM**

6. There was submitted and noted the minutes of the East Ayrshire Community Safety Forum Meeting held on 20 September 2006 (circulated).

SAFER STREETS – STRATHCLYDE POLICE REPORT

7. There was submitted and noted a report by Superintendent Elizabeth Weir, Sub-Divisional Officer, East Ayrshire on Crime Figures and Police Activity within the Irvine Valley Area.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME**COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2006/2007**

8. There was submitted a report dated 24 October 2006 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on the financial position and profile of percentage allocations as at 24 October 2006 in respect of community grants to local organisations in 2006/2007 together with summary statements relative to the value of grants within the categories agreed by the Local Committee, as well as the individual assessment reports (all circulated).

8.1 Applications Approved (for the purposes specified in the application), viz:-**(a) Disability**

- (i) St Marnock Youth Club (CG3441) - £400.00

(b) Environmental and Heritage

- (i) Hurlford and Crookedholm Community Council (CG3458) - £586.94

It was further agreed that in respect of monies which the Administrative Officer had advised should shortly be being returned to the Local Committee grants budget from Galston Community Council (estimated at up to £900) in respect of an unused portion of a previous grant award, that it be remitted to the Administration Manager in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair to award any returned money to Hurlford and Crookedholm Community Council to supplement the above award.

(c) Leisure/Sport

- (i) Kilmarnock and District Choral Union (CG3436) - £50.00

(d) Young People

- (i) Hurlford and Crookedholm Playgroup (CG3462) – £150.00

(e) Older People (Additional Item)

- (i) Age Concern, Hurlford (CG3472) - The Administrative Officer reported the details in respect of this application for the group's Christmas dinner and advised that the application had yet to be assessed.

The Committee then agreed an award in principle of up to £900.00 subject to receipt of a satisfactory assessment and that payment of the grant be remitted to the Administration Manager in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Local Committee.

8.2 Applications Refused:-(a) Disability

- (i) St Sophia's Church (CG3423) – On the grounds that the Committee had insufficient funds.
- (ii) East Ayrshire Access Panel (North District) (CG3459) – On the grounds that, in the Committee's opinion, the group were providing a service to Council Departments, and consequently those Departments should be paying for the service provided by the Group.

(b) Leisure/Sport

- (i) Loudounhill Women's Rural Institute (CG3456) – On the grounds that the Committee had insufficient funds, and the group appeared to have sufficient funds to carry out the project.
- (ii) Aquarius Gymnastics Display Team (CG3457) – On the grounds that the Committee had insufficient funds.

CORPORATE SUPPORT**FUTURE COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDING OF CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

9. There was submitted a report dated 24 October 2006 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support resubmitting a report (attached as Appendix A to the report) with regard to the Committee's future planning in respect of the funding of Christmas Light Projects in the Irvine Valley.

It was agreed:-

- (i) having reconsidered the proposals outlined in the report with reference to the responses received from Community Councils as detailed therein, and as reported at the meeting, that the Local Committee would recommend the adoption of option 3 (as amended) in terms of future years' arrangements in respect of the management and distribution of the community grants budget; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

MEETINGS OF THE IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE

10. There was submitted a report dated 24 October 2006 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on the dates on which meetings of the Local Committee were scheduled to take place, and which invited the Committee to determine the venues at which each of these meetings should be held.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the dates fixed for the meetings of the Committee for the period until 24 May 2007 as detailed in paragraph 5.1 of the report as follows, viz:-

<u>DATE OF MEETING</u>	<u>VENUE</u>
31 January 2007	Darvel Town Hall
28 March 2007	Morton Hall, Newmilns

; and

- (ii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

NAMING OF STREETS BY LOCAL COMMITTEES

DEVELOPMENT AT FORMER LEISURE CENTRE, MOSCOW

11. There was submitted a report dated 24 October 2006 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which requested a street name for a new development at the former Leisure Centre, Moscow.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to name the street within the new development at the former Leisure Centre, Moscow "Old School Court";
- (ii) to advise the Department of Development and Property Services accordingly; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

DEVELOPMENT AT EAST RAWES, MOSCOW

12. There was submitted a report dated 24 October 2006 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which requested a street name for the new development at East Rawes, Moscow.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to name the street within the new development at East Rawes, Moscow "East Rawes Steadings";

- (ii) to advise the Department of Development and Property Services accordingly; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

DEVELOPMENT OFF BREWLAND STREET, GALSTON

13. The Administrative Officer reported that a street name had been requested for a new development off Brewland Street, Galston.

The Local Member, Councillor Finlayson and the local Community Council – Galston had been consulted, however the Community Council would not meet to consider the request until after the Local Committee meeting.

It was also reported that the developer KG Building and Civil Engineering Ltd had asked that the Local Committee consider the name “Manse Gardens”.

As the next Local Committee meeting would not be held until January 2007, it was agreed to remit the naming of the street to the Administration Manager in consultation with the Local Member, Councillor Finlayson and the Local Community Council.

ADDITIONAL ITEM

DEVELOPMENT OFF BURN ROAD, DARVEL

14. The Administrative Officer reported that a street name had been requested for a new development off Burn Road, Darvel.

The Local Member, Councillor McDill, and the local Community Council – Darvel and District had yet to be consulted.

As the next Local Committee meeting would not be held until January 2007, it was agreed to remit the naming of the street to the Administration Manager in consultation with the Local Member, Councillor McDill and the Local Community Council.

LOCAL ISSUES

PROCURATOR FISCAL - SENTENCING

15. The Administrative Officer reported (i) that following a request for the Procurator Fiscal to attend the Local Committee to talk about sentencing a response had been received from the Procurator Fiscal advising that he/she would not attend and the reasons were reported thereon and (ii) that following a decision at the Council meeting on 12 October 2006, an invitation had been issued to the Procurator Fiscal to give a presentation to Council members.

The Committee noted the foregoing information.

LOCAL ISSUES

NEW LOCAL ISSUES

16. Community Representatives were invited to raise any items of interest for inclusion on a future Agenda. It was confirmed that no new items were raised.

The meeting terminated at 1615 hours.