

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 11 MAY 2004 AT 1400 HOURS IN
THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD,
KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Gordon Cree, Douglas Reid, Iain Linton and John Campbell; Community Representatives Tom Cook, Charles Calman, John McIvor, John Tannock, Ester Caldwell, Linda Thomson, Maurice Ashbridge, Stephen Grant, John Donaldson and Bryan Thompson; and Named Substitutes Jean Churchill, Ian McVey and Mary Fraser.

ATTENDING: Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager; Laurie Milwain, North Social Inclusion Co-ordinator; Margaret Phelps, Team Leader (Community Learning and Development); Mike Rooney, Team Leader, (Pollution); and Melanie Anderson, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Sergeant Paul Clarke, Strathclyde Police; Graham Piggott, Community Member, Social Inclusion Partnership (North) Board; and Ian Smith, Coalfields Communities Federation.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Brian Reeves and Named Substitutes Louise Sansun, Alison McCann and Marco Sinforiani.

CHAIR: Councillor Gordon Cree, Vice-Chair.

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

1. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1402 hours for approximately 15 minutes to allow for a public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

2. The meeting reconvened at 1416 hours, with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

PRESENTATION ON THE NORTH SOCIAL INCLUSION INITIATIVE

3. The Committee received a presentation from Laurie Milwain, North Social Inclusion Co-ordinator, on the North Social Inclusion Initiative.

Members of the Committee had the opportunity to ask questions of the North Social Inclusion Co-ordinator and of Graham Piggott of the Social Inclusion Partnership (North) Board and Ian Smith from the Coalfield Communities Federation.

It was agreed to note that invitations would be extended to members of the Local Committee to attend an open event on the afternoon of 24 June 2004 in the Park Hotel, Rugby Park, Kilmarnock on the potential future development of a Communities Federation for the North of East Ayrshire.

Thereafter, the Chair thanked Laurie Milwain for her presentation and expressed his appreciation to the representatives of the SIP (North) Board and Coalfield Communities Federation for their input.

MINUTES

4.1 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

There were submitted, for information, and noted the Minutes of meeting of the Kilmarnock Central Local Committee held on 16 March 2004 (circulated).

4.2 MATTERS ARISING

The Chair referred to the appointment of a Youth Representative and Named Substitute to the Local Committee and, on behalf of the Committee, took the opportunity to welcome Stephen Grant to the meeting as the new Youth Community Representative.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

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5. There was submitted a report dated 30 April 2004 (circulated) by the Chief Executive on the financial position for May 2004 applications, 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.

The Administration Manager provided a verbal report on five further Community Grant applications received from Rosebank Senior Citizens (for expenses associated with an outing in June 2004), Crosshouse Friendship Club (for a summer day trip, party and Christmas dinner), Bonnyton Thistle Football Club Under 19s (for tracksuits, shower jackets and strips), Crosshouse Out of School Group (for a summer playscheme) and Bonnyton Social Committee (for expenses associated with the Bonnyton Gala). The Administration Manager also provided a verbal update on the revised financial position on May 2004 applications, following receipt of the additional applications.

It was then agreed:-

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

- (a) Older People
- (i) Glebe Old Men's Cabin - £80.00, for the group's summer outings only, subject to submission of written quotations for bus hire.
 - (ii) Bentinck Elderly Social Club - £345.00.
 - (iii) Gatehead Monday Club – up to £833.60 approved in principle, subject to submission of a second quote for bus hire and a satisfactory examination of the group's current financial position in the light of Section 7 of the assessment report indicating the ring-fencing of funds to cover letting costs and that payment of the grant be remitted to the Acting Executive Director of Corporate Support in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair.

- (iv) Bonnyton Golden Age – up to £665.00 subject to submission of a second written quote for bus hire and on condition that the group meet the cost of any gratuities.

Councillor Linton left the meeting during discussion of this item.

- (v) Springhill Place Pensioners - £300.00 for the group's summer outings only, subject to submission of the group's audited accounts and that the group be advised to re-apply to a future meeting of the Local Committee for its Christmas party.
- (vi) Rosebank Senior Citizens' Club – The Administrative Officer reported that a satisfactory assessment had been received in connection with this application and it was agreed to grant an award of £242.55.
- (vii) Crosshouse Friendship Club – up to £220.00 for the group's day trip only, subject to receipt of a second written quote and a satisfactory assessment and that payment of the grant be remitted to the Acting Executive Director of Corporate Support in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair. Agreed that the group be advised to re-apply to a future meeting of the Local Committee for its Christmas party.

(b) Sport and Leisure

- (i) Caprington Junior Golf Club - £182.00.
- (ii) North West Amateur Boxing Club - £127.00.
- (iii) Bonnyton Thistle Football Club – up to £963.20 subject to receipt of a satisfactory assessment and that the payment of the grant be remitted to the Acting Executive Director of Corporate Support in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair.

(c) Disability

Contact PHAB - £1,159.11.

(d) Miscellaneous

- (i) River Irvine Improvement Association - £185.32, subject to confirmation from the group that such other funding as required had been secured. It was also agreed to recommend to the group that East Ayrshire Countryside Ranger Service receive a full copy of the survey report in question and that the group ensure that sub-contractors had adequate insurance cover.
- (ii) Bonnyton Social Committee – up to £2,000.00, subject to receipt of a satisfactory assessment and on condition that the group work with Community Learning and Development to revise its constitution and that payment of the grant be remitted to the Acting Executive Director of Corporate Support in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair.

Applications Refused (for the reasons specified), viz:-

(a) Miscellaneous

- (i) Drongan and District Canine Society – on the grounds that the Committee did not consider that the application represented value for money for the Local Committee area.

Applications Continued (for the reasons specified), viz:-(a) Older People

- (i) Glebe Old Men's Cabin – consideration of application for Burns and Christmas events continued to the October meeting of the Local Committee in the view of the timing of these events.

(b) Young People

- (i) PEACE (Loanhead/St Columba's) – continued to a future/special meeting of the Local Committee pending receipt of further information on potential alternative sources of funding.
- (ii) PEACE (Annanhill) – continued to a future/special meeting of the Local Committee pending receipt of further information on potential alternative sources of funding.
- (iii) PEACE (Gargieston) – continued to a future/special meeting of the Local Committee pending receipt of further information on potential alternative sources of funding.
- (iv) East Ayrshire Youth Association (North) – continued to a future/special meeting of the Local Committee pending further information on the timing of the group's events and further information on the ring-fencing of a portion of the group's bank balance.
- (v) Crosshouse Out of School Group – continued to a future/special meeting of the Local Committee pending receipt of a satisfactory assessment and clarification as to the number of young people accessing the group.

CORPORATE SUPPORT**COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE ANNUAL SEMINAR WORKING GROUP**

- 6. The Administrative Officer invited nominations for a Community Representative and substitute to serve on the Community Representative Annual Seminar Working Group.

It was agreed to note that there were no nominations at present to represent the Local Committee on the Working Group. On behalf of the Local Committee, the Chair extended his thanks to Linda Thomson and John McIvor for their efforts in representing their Local Committee on the Working Group to date.

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES**EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM**

- 7. There was submitted and noted the Minutes of the Community Safety Forum meeting held on 3 March 2004.

SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT "U" DIVISION

8. There was submitted and noted a report dated 26 April 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on the nature and results of policing issues, operations and localised crime figures for the preceding period.

UPDATE REPORT ON DOG WARDEN PATROLS AND FIXED PENALTY NOTICES

9. There was submitted a report dated 23 April 2004 (circulated) by the Director of Neighbourhood Services which updated the Local Committee on pest control/dog warden patrols in the Local Committee area.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that further patrols by pest control/dog wardens relative to the Dog Fouling (Scotland) Act 2003 would be made subject to the ongoing workload of the service;
- (ii) otherwise to note the content of the report.

LOCAL ISSUES

10. There was submitted and noted a report dated 26 April 2004 (circulated) by the Chief Executive on local issues raised and, where applicable, the timescale for reporting back to the Local Committee.

NEW LOCAL ISSUES

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

With regard to a previous reference to issues surrounding large groups of young people congregating in the Grange Estate, Kilmarnock, it was agreed that the Youth Community Representative be requested to provide a short verbal report to the next meeting of the Local Committee on youth issues in the area.

The meeting terminated at 1630 hours.