

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19 MAY 2004 AT 1400 HOURS
IN BELLFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE, WHATRIGGS ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillor Ray Murray, Provost Jane Darnbrough and Councillor John Knapp; and Community Representatives John Timpany, Joan Wark, Winnie Campbell, Steven Fegan, Susan Anderson, Jan Miller; and Named Substitute Community Representatives Jean Collins, May Proudfoot and Elaine Wallace.

ATTENDING: Brian Weadon, Area Engineer (North) (Roads); Alan Murray, Team Leader (Community Learning and Development); Laurie Milwain, North Social Inclusion Co-ordinator; and Sharon McHarg, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Sergeant Andrew McInnes and Constable Iain Stewart, Strathclyde Police; and Ian Smith, Coalfield Community Federation.

CHAIR: Councillor Ray Murray, Chair.

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

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

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

2. The meeting reconvened at 1415 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

NORTH SOCIAL INCLUSION INITIATIVE

3. The Committee received a presentation from Laurie Milwain, North Social Inclusion Co-ordinator which (i) advised of the key aims of the North Social Inclusion Initiative namely promoting social inclusion and tackling social exclusion in the north of East Ayrshire and (ii) highlighted the initiatives' strong commitment to partnership working and community participation.

Ian Smith, Coalfield Communities Federation further advised that the Coalfield Communities Federation was open to all representatives of all communities in the Coalfield Area.

Members of the Committee had the opportunity to ask questions on the presentation. Thereafter, the Chair thanked both speakers for their very interesting and informative presentation and discussion.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4. There were submitted, for information and noted, the Minutes of the meeting of the Kilmarnock South Local Committee held on 24 March 2004 (circulated).

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME 2004/2005

5. There was submitted a report dated 17 May 2004 (circulated) by the Chief Executive on the financial position in respect of community grants to local organisations for 2004/2005, together with (unless otherwise stated) assessment reports (circulated) in respect of the following applications:-

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

(a) Early Education and Childcare

- (i) PEACE (St Columba's/Loanhead) - £269.00
- (ii) PEACE (Annanhill) - £135.00
- (iii) PEACE (Shortlees) - £1,900.00
- (iv) Bellfield After School Care Service

The Administrative Officer reported that a Community Grant application had been received to fund playschemes for Summer and October 2004.

It was agreed that it be remitted to the Acting Executive Director of Corporate Support, in consultation with the Chair and subject to receipt of satisfactory assessment report, to grant funding.

(b) Older People

- (i) Bentinck Elderly Social Club - £105.00
- (ii) Glebe Old Men's Cabin - £62.00

(c) Sport

- (i) Bonnyton Thistle Football Club (Under 19s)

The Administrative Officer reported that a cross-boundary Community Grant application had been received to purchase new tracksuits, shower proof jackets and new strips to be worn by players and officials at the Under 19s Scottish Cup Final in 2004/2005.

It was agreed that it be remitted to the Acting Executive Director of Corporate Support, in consultation with the Chair and subject to receipt of satisfactory assessment report, to grant funding.

- (ii) Glenafton Athletic Sporting and Football Club - £39.00
- (iii) Dean Thistle Football Club - £23.47

(d) Young People

- (i) Friends of Bellfield - £3,000.00
- (ii) East Ayrshire Youth Association (North) - £440.00

(e) Leisure Activities

- (i) East Ayrshire Gardening Club - £150.00

CORPORATE SUPPORT

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES ANNUAL SEMINAR WORKING GROUP (Item 8, Page 122, 03/07)

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

It was agreed that Steven Fegan represent the Local Committee on the Working Group as its Community Representative and that Joan Wark be appointed as Substitute Representative.

DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTY SERVICES

PUBLIC UTILITY ACTIVITIES ON PUBLIC HIGHWAY (Item 11.1, Page 672, 03/07)

7. There was submitted a report dated 19 May 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services which advised on the legislation governing the activities of utilities companies working within the limits of the public highway.

It was agreed to note the present situation with respect to management and control of public utility operations.

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM

8. There was submitted and noted, the Minutes of the East Ayrshire Community Safety Forum held on 3 March 2004 (circulated).

SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT "U" DIVISION

9. There was submitted a report dated 4 May 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services which advised on the nature and results of policing issues, operations, localised crime figures and ongoing initiatives for the proceeding period.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that any local issues identified by members of the Committee should be reported to the Community Police Officer; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the content of the report.

LOCAL ISSUES

10. Community Representatives were invited to raise any items of interest for inclusion on a future agenda. No items were identified as potential items which could become the subject of a future report to the Local Committee.

The Meeting terminated at 1535 hours.