

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

DOON VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 17 MAY 2005 AT 1400 HOURS IN BELLSBANK COMMUNITY WING, CRAIGLEA CRESCENT, DALMELLINGTON

PRESENT: Councillors Elaine Stewart, Tommy Farrell and Elaine Dinwoodie; Community Representatives John Weir and Tony Foote; and Named Substitutes Bill Barr, Nancy Murray and Katie McNeillie.

ATTENDING: John Crawford, Head of Protective Services; Julie Armstrong, Assistant Administration Manager; Billy McDowall, Team Leader, Community Learning and Development; and Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Sergeant Alan McDowall, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES: Community Representatives Grace Garrity and Catherine Robertson.

CHAIR: Councillor Elaine Stewart, Chair.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

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 1412 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

MINUTES

3. There were submitted and noted, for information, the Minutes of the meeting of the Doon Valley Local Committee held on 22 March 2005 (circulated).

CORPORATE SUPPORT

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES ANNUAL SEMINAR WORKING GROUP

4. The Committee were invited to nominate a Community Representative and Named Substitute to serve on the Community Representatives Annual Seminar Working Group.

It was agreed that William Barr be nominated to represent the Local Committee on the Annual Seminar Working Group.

DECENTRALISATION ISSUES

**RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2005/2006 – UPDATE
(Item 7, page 1369, 03/07)**

5. There was submitted a report dated 9 May 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which updated on the outcome of the recruitment of Community Representatives and Substitutes to serve on the Doon Valley Local Committee for the period 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006.

It was agreed to approve the nomination of Stephen Brown, representing Dalrymple Youth Association, to serve as a Community Representative on the Doon Valley Local Committee, for the period 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME ALLOCATION FOR 2005/2006 (Item 8, Page 1449, 03/07)

6. There was submitted a report dated 3 May 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which advised (i) of the grant allocation for 2005/2006; and (ii) of the grant spend of the last two financial years.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note that the community grant allocation for the Committee for 2005/2006 is £24,720; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

7. There was submitted a report dated 3 May 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to Local Organisations in 2005/2006, together with assessment reports in respect of applications received.

It was agreed as follows:

7.1 Applications Approved (for the purpose as stated on the application)

(a) Community Association

(i) Declaration of Interest

Councillor Dinwoodie declared a non financial interest in the undernoted item.

(ii) Consideration of Item

Patna Community Association/Learning Centre Users Group (CG2967) - £600.50.

(b) Community Safety

- (i) East Ayrshire South Against Crime (CG2884) - £300.00.

(c) Disability

- (i) Cumnock and District Blind Club (CG2891) – £110.00;
- (ii) Cumnock and Doon Valley Access Panel (CG2890) - £270.00;
- (iii) Cumnock and Doon Valley Independent Living and Friendship Group (CG2907) - £88.00; and
- (iv) South East Ayrshire Disabled Club (CG2951) - £1,334.25.

(d) Health Issues

- (i) Carers Support Group (CG2869) - £280.00.

- (e) Older People
- (i) Drongan Old Folk's Welfare Association (CG2982) – a sum equivalent to a per capita payment of £4 of registered membership (£2320).
- (f) Social Inclusion
- (i) Mothers United (CG3025) – Agreed £300.00 on the basis of a start up grant.
- (g) Sport
- (i) Doon Valley Raft Race (CG3016) - £1,200; and
- (ii) Aquarius Gymnastic Display Team (CG2992) - £90.00, subject to receipt of an amended constitution to include a dissolution clause and insurance for the equipment.
- (h) Young People
- (i) East Ayrshire Women's Aid Play Scheme (CG2949) - £474.00;
- (ii) The Six O'Clock Club (CG2913) – (i) agreed to award £1,000 subject to clarification by the Team Leader, Community Learning and Development on the status and activity of the group; and (ii) that it be remitted to the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair, to release payment subject to (i) above; and
- (iii) Dalrymple Primary School Parents Group (CG2965) - £100.00. It was noted that the group had also received £399.55 at the Doon Valley Local Committee held on 22 March 2005.

7.2 Applications Refused

Leisure Activities

- (a) Dalmellington Bowling Club (CG3017) – application refused on the grounds that (i) there was a lack of information as to what the money would be spent on; (ii) the bank balance of over £3000 did not appear to be ring-fenced for any particular purpose; and (iii) the application would only benefit 4 junior members of the club.

It is noted that the Club would be asked to contact the East Ayrshire Community Safety Partnership as a potential funding source for a youth diversion project.

- (b) CREATE (CG2952) – application refused on the grounds that (i) the sum requested was too significant a level of funding to commit to one group for one event; and (ii) that as the group were a new organisation there would be no track record available to allow the evaluation of the group's viability or effectiveness in being able to carry out such a significant project.

7.3 Applications Continued

- (a) Glenafton Boys Club 1992 (Under 13s) (CG2929) – Continued to clarify the Club structure and the areas served by the Club.

- (b) Bonnie Doon PHAB Club (CG2934) – Continued to clarify application/assessment details

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM

8. There was submitted and noted for information, Minutes of the Community Safety Forum meeting dated 2 March 2005 (circulated).

SAFER STREETS

9. There was submitted and noted a report (circulated) by Superintendent Elizabeth Weir, Sub-Divisional Officer, Strathclyde Police, which advised of crime figures and Police Activity within the Doon Valley area.

NEW LOCAL ISSUES

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

No new items were identified as potential items which could become the subject of a future report to the Committee.

The meeting terminated at 1500 hours.