

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10 MAY 2005 AT 1400 HOURS IN
GRANGE ACADEMY S&R WING, OFF BEECH AVENUE, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Brian Reeves, Gordon Cree, and John Campbell; Community Representatives Tom Cook, John McIvor, Charles Calman, Esther Caldwell, Maurice Ashbridge, Linda Thomson, John Donaldson and Peter Heywood; and Named Substitutes Jean Churchill, Mary Fraser, and Beth Wilson.

ATTENDING: Margaret Phelps, Team Leader, Community Learning and Development; Community Policing Sergeant Andy McInnes, Strathclyde Police; and Gillian Hamilton, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Douglas Reid and Iain Linton; and Named Substitutes Alison McCann, Ian McVey, Neil Thomson, and John Burdoni.

CHAIR: Councillor Brian Reeves, Chair.

CHAIRS' REMARKS

1. The Chair welcomed Peter Heywood representing the Fellowship of Kilmarnock Churches and Beth Wilson, Named Substitute for Youth Groups to their first meeting of the Committee.

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

2. 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

3. The meeting reconvened at 1417 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

MINUTES

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4. There were submitted, for information, and noted the Minutes of meeting of the Local Committee held on 15 March 2005 (circulated).

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

**LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME ALLOCATION
FOR 2005/06 (Item 8, Page 1449, 03/07)**

5. There was submitted a report dated 29 April 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which advised on the grant allocation for 2005/2006 and on grant spend for the last two financial years.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the community grant allocation for the Committee for 2005/06 of £21,922.00;
- (ii) that Community Representative Maurice Ashbridge be provided with a full explanation of the allocation formula and options presented in the report;
- (iii) to note the grant spend, by category, for the last two financial years 2003/04 and 2004/05;
- (iv) to note that correspondence had been received from Crosshouse Action Now advising that their award of £1,000.00 approved on 27 October 2004 was no longer required and that the resulting under-spend had been accrued for use during 2005/06; and
- (v) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

LOCAL COMMITTEE COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME – DISBURSEMENT OF GRANTS BUDGET

6. There was submitted a report dated 29 April 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which reviewed the current method the Committee used to prioritise its annual grants allocation.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that the aims of the new budgeting process had been achieved;
- (ii) to continue with the current method of budgeting; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME 2005/2006

7. There was submitted a report dated 21 April 2005 (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:-

- (i) **Applications Approved** (for the purpose specified in the application) viz:-
 - (a) Older People
 - Glebe Old Men's Cabin - £312.53
 - Crosshouse Friendship Club - £330.00
 - Bentinck Elderly Social Club - £290.27
 - (b) Sport & Leisure
 - Aquarius Gymnastics Display Team - £360.00, subject to the group submitting an amended Constitution including a Dissolution Clause and insurance for the equipment.
 - Crosshouse Bowling Club - £1,081.86, subject to the group submitting a Constitution with an amended Dissolution Clause
 - (c) Young People
 - North West Kilmarnock Lone Parent Project - £29.41

(d) Arts & Cultural

Loudoun Musical Society - £200.00, subject to the group submitting two quotations for the PA system to be purchased.

(e) Disability

Kilmarnock Forum on Disability - £98.25

It was then agreed to consider four additional applications received, which required an urgent decision, and having heard the Administrative Officer's verbal report on the applications, it was agreed as follows:-

Gatehead Monday Club – Award £900.00

Gatehead Community Council – Award in principle £652.50 for a summer outing for senior citizens, subject to receipt of satisfactory assessment in due course, to be actioned by the Administration Manager in consultation with the Chair;

Crosshouse Out of School Group – Award in principle £2,000.00 for summer play scheme expenses, subject to receipt of satisfactory assessment in due course, to be actioned by the Administration Manager in consultation with the Chair; and

St Matthew's PTA – Award £330.00

CORPORATE SUPPORT

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES ANNUAL SEMINAR WORKING GROUP

8. The Chair invited nominations for a Community Representative and Named Substitute to serve on the Community Representatives Annual Seminar Working Group to 31 March 2006 and it was agreed to appoint John Mclvor as Community Representative and Peter Heywood as Named Substitute.

DECENTRALISATION ISSUES

RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2005/2006

9. There was submitted a report dated 26 April 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which advised on the position in respect of the appointment of Community Representatives to serve on the Kilmarnock Central Local Committee for the period from 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to appoint as Community Representatives and Named Substitutes for the period 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006 the following viz:-

| Community Organisation | Community Representatives | Substitute Representatives |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Crosshouse Community Council | Mrs Esther Caldwell | Mr Neil Thomson |
| Gatehead Community Council | Mr John Mclvor | Mrs Alison McCann |

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| Grange/Howard Community Council | Mr Tom Cook | Mrs Jean Churchill |
| Piersland/Bentinck Community Council | Mr Charles Calman | Mr Ian McVey |
| Kilmarnock South/Kilmarnock North West Elderly Forum Groups | Mr Maurice Ashbridge | Mrs Mary Fraser |
| Kilmarnock Forum on Disability | Miss Linda Thomson | Mr John Taylor |
| Youth Groups | Louise Sansum, Grange Academy | Beth Wilson, Kilmarnock Academy |
| Fellowship of Kilmarnock Churches | Mr Peter Heywood | Vacant |
| Kilmarnock Retail Trades Association | Mr John Donaldson | Mr John Burdoni |

- (ii) that it be remitted to the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to pursue the outstanding nomination.

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM

10. There was submitted and noted the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Forum held on 2 March 2005.

SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT "U" DIVISION

11. There was submitted a report (circulated) by Superintendent Liz Weir, Sub-Divisional Officer, Strathclyde Police, which advised on crime figures and police activity within the Kilmarnock Central area.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that proactive policing was planned to alleviate local concerns about the forthcoming travelling theme park at Scott Ellis Playing Field; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

LOCAL ISSUES

12.1 LOCAL ISSUES

There was submitted a report dated 27 April 2005 (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.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the submission proposals on the list of Local Committee Issues detailed within the Appendix to the report; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

12.2 NEW LOCAL ISSUES

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

The undernoted item was identified as a potential item which could become subject of a future report to the Local Committee.

Innovative uses of Kilmarnock Town Centre

The meeting terminated at 1510 hours.