

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL****KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 26 JANUARY 2005 AT 1400 HOURS IN  
BELLFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE, WHATRIGGS ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Ray Murray, Provost Jane Darnbrough; and Community Representatives John Timpany, Susan Anderson, and Named Substitute Agnes Gallacher.

**ATTENDING:** Brian Weadon, Area Engineer (North) (Roads); Stephen Sheach, Strategic Planning Officer; Alan Murray, Team Leader (Community Learning and Development); Anne Marie Carr, Senior Administrative Officer; and Sharon McHarg, Administrative Officer.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor John Knapp; and Community Representatives Mrs Winnie Campbell, Mrs Joan Wark and Jan Miller.

**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 1403 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives and Officers present and in attendance.

**PRESENTATION ON EAST AYRSHIRE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSON'S  
SERVICE PLAN 2005-2008**

3. There was submitted a report dated 7 December 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services together with a presentation from Stephen Sheach, Strategic Planning Officer, which advised on the development of the East Ayrshire Children and Young Person's Service Plan 2005-2008 and which sought comments from Kilmarnock South Local Committee regarding the proposed priorities.

Members of the Committee then had the opportunity to ask questions and, thereafter, the Chair thanked Stephen Sheach for his presentation and it was agreed:-

- (i) that improving health was a key priority in the Kilmarnock South area;
- (ii) to note the outline priorities contained within East Ayrshire Children and Young Persons Service Plan 2005-2008; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

4. There was submitted, for information and noted, the Minutes of the meeting of the Kilmarnock South Local Committee held on 3 November 2004 (circulated).

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

5. The Chair, at her discretion, and in terms of Standing Order 19, agreed to alter the order of business and consider item 9 of the Agenda at this point.

### DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTY SERVICES 2005/2006

6. **2005/2006 PROGRAMME OF STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AND FOOTWAYS (Item 9, page 1154, 03/07)**

There was submitted a report dated 13 January 2005 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services which (i) advised of the 2005/2006 Roads and Footways Structural Maintenance Programmes for “inescapable” schemes approved by the Development Services Committee and sought approval of the “highly desirable” schemes for structural maintenance of footways, or “desirable” options.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the 2005/2006 Roads and Footways Structural Maintenance Programmes for “inescapable” schemes approved by the Development Services Committee;
- (ii) to approve the “highly desirable” schemes for structural maintenance of footways;
- (iii) to note that any reduction in the anticipated budget would be accommodated by the Head of Roads and Transportation by reducing the programmes in an equitable manner; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

### LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

#### FRIENDS OF BELLFIELD (CG 2586) – PART RETURN OF GRANT AWARD

7. The Administrative Officer reported and it was noted (i) that £915 had been returned to the Kilmarnock South Local Committee grants budget for 2004/2005 from Friends of Bellfield; and (ii) total monies of £1,097.44 had been returned to the Local Committee grants budget 2004/2005, viz:-

Bellfield Community Council	£90.44
Kilmarnock Forum on Disability	£92.00
Friends of Bellfield	£915.00

### LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME 2004/2005

8. There was submitted a report dated 10 January 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which advised the Local Committee of the financial position in respect of community grants to local organisations for 2004/2005.

The Administrative Officer further reported on the publicity arrangements which had been put in place to advertise the Community Grants Scheme.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the financial position in respect of community grants to local organisations for 2004/2005;

- (ii) to note the publicity arrangements which had been put in place to publicise the Community Grants Scheme; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

**2004 ANNUAL SEMINAR FOR COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES (Item 14, page 507, 03/07)**

9. There was submitted a report dated 15 December 2004 (circulated) by the Annual Seminar Working Group which advised of the outcome of the Annual Seminar for Community Representatives held on 20 November 2004.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that the Annual Seminar would now form part of the training cycle for Community Representatives;
- (ii) to note the success of the 2004 Annual Seminar for Community Representatives; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

**DECENTRALISATION ISSUES**

**MEETINGS OF KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE: PERIOD UNTIL 31 DECEMBER 2005 (Item 12, page 506, 03/07)**

10. There was submitted a report dated 30 November 2004 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which advised of the dates on which meetings of the Local Committee were scheduled to take place, as agreed by Council, for the period until December 2005 and 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 31 December 2005 as detailed within the report;
- (ii) to approve the venues for the meetings of the Committee for the period to 31 December 2005 as follows:-

DATE	VENUE
Wednesday 26 January 2005	Bellfield Community Centre
Wednesday 16 March 2005	Shortlees Community Centre
Wednesday 18 May 2005	Buchanan Centre (provisional booking subject to works being completed and approved by Building Standards Manager to meet disabled access requirements)
Wednesday 7 September 2005	Bellfield Community Centre
Wednesday 2 November 2005	Shortlees Community Centre

- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

**RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2005/2006 (Item 8, page 1073, 03/07)**

11. There was submitted a report dated 10 January 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which invited the Local Committee to consider and determine arrangements for the recruitment of Community Representatives to serve on the Local Committee for the period 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the present community representation as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report;
- (ii) that the community organisation representation on the Committee for the period 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006, be as follows:-
  - Community Council (Bellfield)
  - Disability Forum (East Ayrshire) (North) Forum
  - Elderly Forum (South Kilmarnock)
  - Young People
  - Sports Groups
  - Community Association (Shortlees)
  - Local Churches
  - Early Education and Childcare
  - Community Residents Association
  - Pre-5 Representative;
- (iii) to remit to the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to initiate the process of submission of new nominations for Community Representatives and Named Substitutes by the relevant organisations to serve during the period 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006 and to make such arrangements that might be necessary to facilitate the process; and
- (iv) to review the position regarding long term Community Representative vacancies at a future meeting of the Committee.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES**

**EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM**

12. There was submitted and noted, the Minutes of the East Ayrshire Community Safety Forum held on 1 December 2004 (circulated).

**SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT "U" DIVISION**

13. There was submitted a report dated 10 January 2005 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services which advised on the nature and results of policing issues, operations and localised crime figures and ongoing initiatives for the preceding period.

Inspector Ramsay McArthur introduced himself to the Local Committee and advised that he would be responsible for supporting Community Policing in the Kilmarnock area.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that any local issues identified by members of the Committee should be reported to the Community Police Officer;
- (ii) to welcome the introduction of a Community Police Inspector for the area; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

#### **CHAIR'S REMARKS**

#### **14. NOTIFICATION OF CLOSURE OF POST OFFICE AT WHATRIGGS ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

Councillor Murray referred to a letter dated 12 January 2005 which had been issued to all members of the Committee advising that the Post Office Ltd had decided to close the Post Office at Whatriggs Road, Kilmarnock on 9 February 2005.

It was agreed that Councillor Murray write to the Post Office Ltd on behalf of the Committee, expressing bitter disappointment that Whatriggs Road branch would close on 9 February 2005.

#### **NEW LOCAL ISSUES**

15. 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 be the subject of a future report of the Local Committee.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

#### **16. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The Administrative Officer advised that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 16 March 2005 at 1400 hours in Shortlees Community Centre.

The meeting terminated at 1510 hours.