

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18 JANUARY 2006 AT 1400 HOURS IN CROSSHOUSE COMMUNITY CENTRE, OFF PLAYINGFIELD ROAD, CROSSHOUSE**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Brian Reeves, Gordon Cree, John Campbell, Douglas Reid and Iain Linton; Community Representatives: Tom Cook, John McIvor, Charles Calman, Esther Caldwell, Maurice Ashbridge, John Donaldson, and Peter Heywood; and Named Substitutes: Jean Churchhill and Mary Fraser.

**ATTENDING:** Gerry Darroch, Housing Services Manager, Wendy Johnstone, Project Manager (Housing), Billy McDowall, Team Leader Community Learning and Development; Sandra Marshall, Project Development Officer, Development and Property Services; John Trakalo, Senior Engineer, Roads; and Gillian Hamilton, Administrative Officer.

**ALSO ATTENDING:** Sergeant Andy McInnes, Strathclyde Police.

**APOLOGIES:** Community Representative Linda Thomson; and Named Substitutes Allison McCann and Ian McVey.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Brian Reeves, Chair.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES**

**PRESENTATION ON THE ALLOCATION POLICY CONSULTATION AND NEIGHBOURHOOD COMPACTS FOR ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

1. The Committee received a presentation on the Allocation Policy Consultation and Neighbourhood Compacts for Anti-Social Behaviour from the Housing Services Manager. Members of the Committee then had the opportunity to ask questions on the Policy.

The Chair thanked the Officer for the most interesting and informative presentation.

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

2. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1445 hours for approximately fifteen minutes to allow for a public question and answer session.

**RECONVENTION OF MEETING**

3. The meeting reconvened at 1500 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 the meeting of the Local Committee held on 25 October 2005 (circulated).

## **DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTY SERVICES**

### **2006/2007 PROGRAMME OF STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AND FOOTWAYS (Item 8, Page 1869, 03/07)**

5. There was submitted a report dated 21 December 2005 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services which advised the Committee of the 2006/2007 Roads and Footways Structural Maintenance Programmes for “inescapable” schemes approved by the Development Services Committee; and sought the Committee’s approval of the “highly desirable” schemes for structural maintenance of footways or “desirable” options.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the 2006/2007 Roads and Footways Structural Maintenance Programmes for “inescapable” schemes approved by the Development Services Committee;
- (ii) to approve the “highly desirable” schemes for the 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 report.

### **SHOPMOBILITY UPDATE (Item 14, 1819, 03/07)**

6. There was submitted a joint report dated 14 December 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support and the Executive Director of Development and Property Services which advised on the Council’s intention to establish a Shopmobility Scheme in Kilmarnock Town Centre.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the proposals to establish a Shopmobility Scheme within Kilmarnock Town Centre; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the report.

## **EDUCATIONAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

### **COMMUNITY LEARNING PLANS (Item 6, 1796, 03/07)**

7. There was submitted and noted a report dated 15 December 2005 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services which informed on the future arrangements for Community Learning and Development Plans.

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES**

### **SAFER STREETS - STRATHCLYDE POLICE REPORT**

8. There was submitted and noted a report (circulated) by Superintendent Elizabeth Weir, Sub Divisional Officer, East Ayrshire on crime figures and Police activity within the Kilmarnock Central Area.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that community representatives were invited to identify any local problems to be addressed by officers; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the report.

### **EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM**

9. There was submitted for information and noted minutes of the East Ayrshire Community Safety Forum held on 1 December 2005 (circulated)

### **LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME**

#### **10. Community Grants to Local Organisations 2005/2006**

It was reported by the Administrative Officer and noted:

- (i) that following receipt of satisfactory assessment, Bentinck Elderly Social Club received a total grant of £403, Kilmarnock Central Local Committee's cross boundary contribution being £274; and
- (ii) that through the Scheme of Delegated Authority, cross boundary contributions of £150 and £31 were made respectively to 21<sup>st</sup> Ayrshire Scouts for travel costs for a working project, and to Visual Impairment, Ayrshire for transport costs.

There was submitted a report dated 6 January 2006 and an update dated 12 January 2006 (both 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:-

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

#### **10.1 Older People**

Kilmarnock South Elderly Forum - £383.13

Kilmarnock North Elderly Forum - £124

#### **10.2 Disability**

East Ayrshire Access Panel (North District) - £600; and

#### **10.3 Miscellaneous**

Old High Kirk, Kilmarnock - £618

### **DECENTRALISATION ISSUES**

#### **ANNUAL SEMINAR FOR COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES**

11. There was submitted a report dated 29 November 2005 (circulated) by the Annual Seminar Working Group which advised on the outcome of the Annual Seminar for Community Representatives held on 12 November 2005.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the success of the 2005 Annual Seminar for Community Representatives; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the report

### **RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2006/2007**

12. There was submitted a report dated 9 January 2006 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which invited consideration and determination of arrangements for the recruitment of Community Representatives and Named Substitutes to serve on the Local Committee in the period from 1 April 2006 to 31 March 2007.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the present community representation detailed in Appendix 1 of the report;
- (ii) to approve community organisation representation on this Committee for the period 1 April 2006 to 31 March 2007 as follows:-
  - Grange/Howard Community Council
  - Gatehead Community Council
  - Bonnyton Community Council
  - Crosshouse Community Council
  - Piersland/Bentinck Community Council
  - Disability Forum
  - Elderly Forum
  - Youth Forum
  - Church Forum; and
  - Business Community;
- (iii) to remit to the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to initiate the process for submission of new nominations for Community Representatives and Named Substitutes by the relevant organisations, to serve during the period 1 April 2006 to 31 March 2007 and to make such arrangements as might be necessary to facilitate this process; and
- (iv) otherwise to note the report.

### **2006 VENUES FOR MEETINGS OF KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE**

13. It was reported by the Administrative Officer and noted that meetings of the Local Committee would be held during the remainder of 2006 as follows:-

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Wednesday 15 March 2006	Meeting Room, Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock

Tuesday 9 May 2006	Grange Academy, S & R Wing, off Beech Avenue, Kilmarnock
Tuesday 29 August 2006	Crosshouse Community Centre, off Playingfield Road, Crosshouse
Tuesday 24 October 2006	Meeting Room, Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock

### **NAMING OF STREETS BY LOCAL COMMITTEES - NEW DEVELOPMENT OFF KILMAURS ROAD, KNOCKENTIBER**

- 14.** There was submitted a report dated 5 January 2006 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support, which requested consideration of names for a new development off Kilmaurs Road, Knockentiber.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the streets at the new development off Kilmaurs Road, Knockentiber be named as follows:-  
Street A - Plann Road; and  
Street B - Barr Avenue;
- (ii) that the Department of Development and Property Services be advised of the Committee's decision in this regard; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the report.

### **PROPERTIES AT 2A, 2B AND 2C STEVENSON STREET, KILMARNOCK (Item 12, 1755, 03/07)**

- 15.** There was submitted a report dated 9 January 2006 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which advised on the outcome of the statutory notification procedures carried out for the renaming of the flatted development at 2A, 2B and 2C Stevenson Street, Kilmarnock to Stevenson Court.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to proceed with renaming the flatted development at 2A, 2B and 2C Stevenson Street as Stevenson Court and to re-number the existing properties appropriately;
- (ii) to advise the Department of Development and Property Services of the Committee's decision in this regard; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the report.

## **LOCAL ISSUES**

### **16.1 LOCAL ISSUES**

There was submitted and noted a report dated 5 January 2006 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which provided updated information on local issues raised, and, where applicable, the timescale for reporting back to the Local Committee.

## **16.2 NEW LOCAL ISSUES**

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

There were no new items identified at this time to become the subject of a future report to the Local Committee.

The meeting terminated at 1558 hours.