

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2005 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, Winnie Campbell, Susan Anderson, and Joan Wark; and Named Substitutes: Jean Collins, Agnes Gallacher, Michael Hayes and May Proudfoot.

ATTENDING: Anne Marie Carr, Senior Administrative Officer; John Connolly, Senior Practitioner (Community Learning & Development); and Sharon McHarg, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Sergeant Andrew McInnes, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGY: Abbie Draper.

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 15 minutes to allow a public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

2. The meeting reconvened at 1402 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives and Officers present and in attendance.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3. There was submitted, for information and noted, the Minutes of the meeting of the Kilmarnock South Local Committee held on 18 May 2005 (circulated).

RETURN OF GRANT MONIES FROM THE CONTACT PHAB CLUB

4. It was reported and noted that the Contact PHAB Club had returned £700 community grant funding to the Council, of which £399 had been credited to Kilmarnock South Local Committee Community Grant budget allocation for 2005/2006, this being unspent monies from 2004/2005 community grant budget award to provide a social, educational and activity based residential holiday in Blackpool for members of the Contact PHAB Club.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME 2005/2006

5. There was submitted a report dated 29 August 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which advised on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to local organisations for 2005/2006, together with assessment reports (circulated) in respect of the following applications:-

5.1 Applications Approved:-**(a) Arts and Cultural**

- (i) Kilmarnock Gateway Writers (CG 3138) - £142.50;

(b) Community Council

- (i) Bellfield Community Council (CG 3121) - £570.00 subject to the group having public liability insurance for the event;

(c) Disability

- (i) St Marnock Youth Club (CG 3140) - £210.47;
- (ii) Contact PHAB Club (CG 3146) - £1,350.00;

(d) Social Inclusion

- (i) St Vincent de Paul Society (St Joseph's Conference) (CG 3112) - £79.00;

(e) Sport

- (i) Bellfield Royals Youth Football Club (Under 7's to Under 11's) (CG 3106) - The Administrative Officer advised that an award of £1,901.92 had been made under delegated authority following the satisfactory assessment report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services; and

(f) Young People

- (i) Shortlees Parents, Teachers and Friends (CG 3118) - £255.00 and noted that an award of £500 had been made under delegated authority for the financial year 2005/2006.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME - PEACE

6. There was submitted a report dated 5 August 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which advised of the current position in respect of the voluntary organisation PEACE and which sought approval to accept the utilisation by the group of the Local Committee Grant funding for the financial years 2003/2004 and 2004/2005.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to accept that the Community Grant funding awarded to PEACE of £2,835.46 for 2003/2004 and £7,646.06 for 2004/2005 was used to assist with staffing costs to fund a programme of activities for Easter, Summer and October playschemes;
- (ii) that the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support write to the organisation and advise of the Committee's decision; and
- (iii) otherwise, note the contents of the report.

EDUCATIONAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES

ANNUAL YOUTH CONFERENCE (Item 10, Page 954, 03/07)

7. There was submitted and noted a report dated 4 August 2005 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services which informed of the outcome of the Ninth Annual Youth Conference held in Kilmarnock College on Wednesday 30 March 2005.

Arising from discussion in relation to insufficient press coverage for such events, it was agreed that Departments should liaise with Corporate Communications (Public Relations) to ensure maximum publicity for such events.

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT 'U' DIVISION

8. There was submitted a report (circulated) by Superintendent Elizabeth Weir, Sub-Divisional Officer, Strathclyde Police which advised (i) of crime figures and police activity within the Kilmarnock South area; (ii) that the Community Constables would continue to report to the respective Community Councils with more detailed information; and (iii) that the Kilmarnock South Local Committee would provide an opportunity for Members to feedback to Strathclyde Police on areas of concern with a view to having these concerns addressed.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that the dates in the table in paragraph 2.1.2 (row 2) should read April 2005 to June 2005 and not April 2004 to June 2005;
- (ii) that any local issues identified by members of the Committee should be reported to the Community Police Officer; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM

9. There was submitted and noted, the Minutes of the East Ayrshire Community Safety Forum held on 1 June 2005 (circulated).

LOCAL ISSUES

10.1 NEW LOCAL ISSUES

Community Representatives were invited to raise items of local interest for inclusion on a future Agenda. No items were identified as potential items which could become the subject of future reports to Local Committees.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

11. The Chair took the opportunity to advise the Committee that Murdoch Harris had resigned from the Contact PHAB Club and consequently could no longer represent the Contact PHAB Club on this Committee on issues relating to disability.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to write to Murdoch Harris to thank him for his contribution to the Kilmarnock South Local Committee; and
- (ii) to write to the Contact PHAB Club requesting a new nomination for Community Representative to serve on the Kilmarnock South Local Committee for issues relating to disability.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

- 12.** The Administrative Officer advised the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 2 November 2005 at 1400 hours in Shortlees Community Centre.

The meeting terminated at 1505 hours.