

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 8 SEPTEMBER 2004 AT 1400 HOURS IN
BELLFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE, WHATRIGGS ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillor Ray Murray, Provost Jane Darnbrough and Councillor John Knapp; and Community Representatives Winnie Campbell, Susan Anderson and Joan Wark.

ATTENDING: Neil Bell, Senior Engineer and Fraser Jack, Technical Officer/Engineer (Traffic Section); Susan Morris, Policy Officer (Neighbourhood Services); Dorothy McAvoy, Childcare and Partnership Development Officer (Educational and Social Services); Alan Murray, Team Leader (Community Learning and Development); Anne Marie Carr, Senior Administrative Officer; and Sharon McHarg, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Sergeant Dougie Hamilton and PC Evelyn Brown, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES: Mr John Timpany, Mrs Jean Collins, Mr Steven Fegan and Ms 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 1402 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives and Officers present and in attendance.

**PRESENTATION ON THE EAST AYRSHIRE
LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY 2004 - 2009**

3. The Committee received a presentation from Susan Morris, Policy Officer on the East Ayrshire Local Housing Strategy 2004 - 2009.

Members of the Committee then had the opportunity to ask questions and, thereafter, the Chair thanked Susan Morris for her presentation.

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 19 May 2004 (circulated).

**4.1 MATTERS ARISING – LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME – 2004/2005
(Items 5(a)(iv) & 5(c)(i), page 776, 03/07)**

The Administrative Officer advised the Committee that satisfactory assessment reports had been received for the organisations listed below and funding had been awarded, viz:-

- (a) Early Education and Childcare
 - (i) Bellfield After School Care Service - £2,035
- (b) Sport
 - (i) Bonnyton Thistle Football Club (Under 19s) - £26.32

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

PEACE (SHORTLEES)

5. There was submitted a report dated 31 August 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of a change of location for PEACE (Shortlees) playscheme and use of grant funding.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that Officers continue to monitor the use of playscheme funding for children from the Shortlees area;
- (ii) to note that the use of grant awarded to PEACE (Shortlees) for Easter and Summer Playschemes was in line with Council procedures and used to fund places at Annanhill playscheme for children from Shortlees;
- (iii) that the sum remaining from the award approved by the Committee be used for the October playscheme, subject to the funds being used for children from Shortlees; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

6. The Chair, at her discretion and in terms of Standing Order 19, agreed to alter the order of business and consider item 8 on the agenda at this point.

DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTY SERVICES

MANDATORY 20 MPH SPEED LIMITS AT SCHOOLS

7. There was submitted a report dated 20 August 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services which advised of proposals for the implementation of mandatory 20 mph speed limits in the vicinity of schools in the Kilmarnock South Local Area.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note the Local Committee's general support for the proposals detailed within the report;
- (ii) that the Senior Engineer would investigate the feasibility of reducing the speed limit on Haining Avenue, Bellfield and Carron Avenue, Kirkstyle and advise the Chair accordingly; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME 2004/2005

8. There was submitted a report dated 23 August 2004 (circulated) by the Chief Executive on the financial position in respect of community grants to local organisations for 2004/2005, together with assessment reports (circulated) in respect of the following applications:-

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

- (a) Arts and Cultural
- (i) Loudoun Musical Society - £289.85; also agreed to attach a condition that this grant was subject to the Group having appropriate insurance in place.
- (b) Community Council
- (i) Bellfield Community Council – noted an award of £490 had been made under delegated authority for the financial year 2004/2005.
- (ii) Bellfield Community Council - £350.
- (c) Disability
- (i) Archway FABB Club - £717.66
- (d) Older People
- (i) St Michael's Friendship Club – noted an award of £370 had been made under delegated authority for the financial year 2004/2005.
- (ii) South Kilmarnock Elderly Forum - £493
- (e) Sport
- (i) Kay Park Boys Club U17s - £26; also noted an award of £26 had been made under delegated authority for the financial year 2004/2005.

DECENTRALISATION ISSUES

RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2004/2005 – UPDATE

9. There was submitted a report dated 26 August 2004 (circulated) by the Acting Executive Director of Corporate Support which updated on the progress in respect of the recruitment of Community Representatives from local organisations to serve on the Kilmarnock South Local Committee for the period 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the nomination of Theresa Wood received from Shortlees Community Association to serve as a Named Substitute Community Representative;
- (ii) to note the progress to date on the recruitment process to fill the remaining vacancies for Community Representatives and Named Substitutes; and
- (iii) to receive a further report should any nominations be submitted over the current year for those organisational sectors for which vacancies remain.

ANNUAL YOUTH CONFERENCE

10. There was submitted and noted a report dated 6 August 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services which informed of the outcome of the 8th Annual Youth Conference held in Kilmarnock College on Wednesday 7 April 2004.

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

11. There was submitted and noted, the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the East Ayrshire Safety Forum held on 2 June 2004 (circulated).

SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT “U” DIVISION

12. There was submitted a report dated 24 August 2004 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services on the nature and results of policing issues, operations and localised crime figures for the preceding period.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that any local issues identified by members of the Committee should be reported to the Community Police Officer; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the content of the report.

LOCAL ISSUES

NEW LOCAL ISSUES

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

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

- (i) Better Neighbourhood Services - Operation of the Community Wardens Scheme.

The meeting terminated at 1525 hours.