

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE – 1 FEBRUARY 2006

RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2006/2007

Report by Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1** To invite the Local Committee to consider and determine certain matters in order to facilitate arrangements for the recruitment of Community Representatives to serve on the Local Committee for the period 1 April 2006 to 31 March 2007.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1** The Council's Decentralisation Scheme makes provision for Local Committees to involve their local communities in their decision-making process by inviting appropriate Local Committee organisations to nominate up to 10 representatives to serve on the Local Committee as Community Representatives, together with Named Substitutes.
- 2.2** Local Committees will review the community organisation sector representatives on an annual basis. The review will be subject to requirements specified in the Decentralisation Scheme but at least one Community Representative should be drawn from each of the "core" community organisation sectors, namely:- Community Councils and the local elderly, disability and youth forums (or equivalent organisations).
- 2.3** In accordance with the decision of the Decentralisation Sub-Committee of the Policy and Resources Committee on 15 April 1997, Community Representative's appointments should terminate on 31 March each successive year. Fresh nominations are required from organisations for Community Representatives and Named Substitutes to serve for a period of one year commencing on 1 April each year.

3. PRESENT POSITION

- 3.1** Having regard to the provisions set out pertaining to community organisation representation on Local Committees, the current Community Representatives, including Named Substitutes for this Committee are as detailed in Appendix 1 hereto.
- 3.2** The current Community Representatives "period of appointment" is due to expire on 31 March 2006. Accordingly, it is suggested that the Committee should now review the present community organisation representation and determine arrangements for the recruitment of Community Representatives and Named Substitutes for the coming year.

4. FINANCIAL/LLEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS - Nil.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 It is recommended that the Local Committee:-

- (i) note the present community representation as detailed in Appendix 1;
- (ii) review community organisation representation to this Local Committee; and
- (iii) remit to the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to initiate the process of the 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.

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16 January 2006
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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Putting the Community First - Decentralisation Scheme.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers listed above should telephone Jennifer Morrison, Administrative Officer on (01563) 576139. Any person wishing further information on this report should telephone Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager on (01563) 576135.

Implementation Officer: Jennifer Morrison, Administrative Officer

APPENDIX 1

IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE: CURRENT COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION 2005/2006

<u>ORGANISATIONAL SECTORS</u>	<u>COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES (AND NAMED SUBSTITUTES)</u>
Darvel & District Community Council	Mr Les Pittams (Mr George Dalziel)
Newmilns & Greenholm Community Council	Mr Steve Brown (Mrs Cathie Brown MBE)
Galston Community Council	Mr Frank Dawson (Mr Finlay MacLean)
Hurlford & Crookedholm Community Council	Mrs Bessie Graham (Mrs Joyce McCulloch)
Moscow & Waterside Community Council	Mrs Isobel Loudon (Mrs Lillian Meikle)
Crookedholm Community Association	Vacant (Substitute – Vacant)
Disability Forum	Ms Aniela Miller (Substitute: Vacant)
Elderly Forum	Mr Gerard Cassidy (Substitute: Vacant)
Pre-5s	Vacant (Substitute: Vacant)
Youth Forum	Chelsea Rankin (Nicola Kerr)

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