

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25 MAY 2005 AT 1400 HRS IN HURLFORD COMMUNITY CENTRE, CESSNOCK ROAD, HURLFORD

PRESENT: Councillors Isabella Macrae, Jim Raymond, Stuart Finlayson and Robert McDill; and Community Representatives Isobel Loudon, Frank Dawson and Gerard Cassidy, and Named Substitute Lillian Meikle.

ATTENDING: Julie Armstrong, Assistant Administration Manager; Dave Morris, Development Promotion Manager; Billy McDowall, Team Leader; and Jennifer Morrison, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Inspector Ramsay McArthur and Sgt Jim Stevenson, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Harry Wilson, Community Representatives Les Pittams, Steve Brown and Aniela Miller; and Named Substitute Cathie Brown MBE.

CHAIR: Councillor Isabella Macrae, Chair.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS

1. The Chair agreed to the consideration of additional Community Grant applications from (i) Moscow Community Hall Committee; and (ii) Newmilns and Greenholm Community Council at Item 9 of the Agenda, as early decisions were required.

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

2. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1401 hrs to allow for a 15 minute maximum public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

3. The meeting was reconvened at 1406 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

PRESENTATION ON THE ROLE OF THE PLANNING AND ROADS SERVICES

4. The Committee received a presentation on the role of Planning and Roads Services from Dave Morris, Development Promotion Manager, Department of Development and Property Services.

Members of the Committee then had the opportunity to ask questions of Dave Morris on the points made during his presentation. Thereafter, the Chair thanked Dave for his very interesting and informative presentation.

Arising from discussion during the presentation it was agreed to receive a report at a future meeting providing information on the unfinished roads at the recent housing development site at Darvel Road/Union Street, Newmilns.

MINUTES

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

5. There were submitted for information and noted the Minutes (circulated) of the Irvine Valley Local Committee meeting held on 30 March 2005.

MATTER ARISING

5.1 COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2004/05 AND 2005/06 (Item 6(i)(a)(v) and 6(i)(d)(i), Page 1045, 03/07)

The Administrative Officer reported and it was noted that following receipt of satisfactory assessments, a Community Grant award of (i) £430 had been made to Loudoun Musical Society (2004/05) and (ii) £72.67 (2004/05) and £1.15 (2005/06) had been made to Northwest Kilmarnock Lone Parent Project.

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

SAFER STREETS – STRATHCLYDE POLICE REPORT

6. The Chair welcomed Inspector Ramsey McArthur to his first meeting of the Irvine Valley Local Committee.

Thereafter there was submitted and noted a report dated 5 May 2005 (circulated) by Superintendent Elizabeth Weir, Sub-Divisional Officer, East Ayrshire on crime figures and police activity within the Irvine Valley area.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME ALLOCATION FOR 2005/2006 (Item 4, Page 1449, 03/07)

7. There was submitted a report dated 6 May 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which advised (i) of the grant allocation for the year 2005/2006 and (ii) of the grant spend for Irvine Valley Local Committee for the last two financial years.

It was then agreed:-

- (i) to note that the Community Grant allocation for the Irvine Valley Local Committee for the year 2005/2006 was £24,554.00; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2005/2006

8. There was submitted a report dated 16 May 2005 by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on the financial position and profile of percentage allocations as at 16 May 2005 in respect of Community Grants to Local Organisations in 2005/2006 together with summary statements relative to the value of grants within the categories agreed by the Local Committee as well as

the individual assessment reports in respect of the undernoted applications (all circulated with the exception of the Darvel Improvement Group assessment which was circulated at the meeting).

The Administrative Officer reported that £69.15 had been returned from Newmilns and Greenholm Friendship Club in respect of an unused portion of a previous community grant award, and that this amount would be credited to the 2005/06 budget, to be reflected in the figures in the report to the September meeting.

(i) Applications approved (for the purposes specified in the application), viz:-

(a) Disability

- (i) Kilmarnock Forum on Disability (CG3015) - £98.25

(b) Environmental and Heritage

- (i) Newmilns and Greenholm Community Council (CG3077) - £930.00 subject to receipt of a proper quote and submission of Insurance Certificate for the project;
- (ii) Galston Community Council (CG3082) - £1212.00;
- (iii) Galston Community Council (CG3083) - £1397.62;
- (iv) Darvel Improvement Group (CG3087) - £1164.57 subject to receipt of the Insurance Certificate for the project.

(c) Leisure/Sport

- (i) Aquarius Gymnastics Display Team (CG2992) - £615.00 subject to receipt of an amended Constitution to include a Dissolution Clause and receipt of the Insurance Certificate for the Project.
- (ii) Loudoun and Galston Agricultural Association (CG3081) - £750.00
- (iii) Bonnyton Thistle (Under 19s) (CG3073) - £125.00 subject to the Group ensuring that the items purchased were insured, with the club to be advised that the Committee would not expect to fund such items (tracksuits, rain jackets etc) year on year given the number of football clubs in the area.

(d) Older People

- (i) Bentinck Elderly Social Club (CG3080) – £29.08

(e) Young People

- (i) Newmilns Pre-5 Group (CG3010) - £1000.00 in principle subject to the organisation securing all funding for the project, as well as any appropriate planning consents/building warrants;
- (ii) St Matthews PTA (CG2994) – £309.00.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

9. (i) MOSCOW COMMUNITY HALL (CG3104)

The Administrative Officer reported the details in respect of this application for a family BBQ and disco to be held on 18 June. The Group had detailed the cost of the

project at £909 and were seeking a Community Grant of £659. The application had not yet been assessed.

The Committee then agreed, in principle, an award of up to £659 subject to receipt of a satisfactory assessment, and that payment of the grant be remitted to the Administration Manager, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair.

(ii) NEWMILNS AND GREENHOLM COMMUNITY COUNCIL (CG3105)

The Administrative Officer reported the details in respect of this application for the Newmilns Gala Day in 2005. The Group had approximated the cost of the event at £6,176 and were seeking a Community Grant of £3,576. The application had not yet been assessed.

The Committee then agreed, in principle, to support an award, still to be determined, towards this event with payment of the grant being remitted to the Administration Manager in consultation with the five Irvine Valley members, following receipt of an assessment.

CORPORATE SUPPORT

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES ANNUAL SEMINAR WORKING GROUP

10. The Administrative Officer invited nominations for a Community Representative and Substitute to serve on the Community Representatives Annual Seminar Working Group to 31 March 2006.

It was agreed that Frank Dawson and Gerard Cassidy represent the Local Committee on the Working Group.

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM

11. There was submitted and noted the Minutes of the Community Safety Forum Meeting held on 2 March 2005 (circulated).

LOCAL ISSUES

- 12.1 There was submitted and noted a report dated 9 May 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support on Local Issues raised and, where applicable, timescale for reporting back to this Local Committee.

NEW LOCAL ISSUES

- 12.2 Community Representatives were invited to raise any items of interest for inclusion on a future agenda. No new items were intimated.

The meeting terminated at 1550 hrs.