

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK NORTH LOCAL COMMITTEE - 1 FEBRUARY 2005

RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2005/2006

Report by the 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 2005 to 31 March 2006.

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 community organisations to nominate up to 10 representatives to serve on the Local Committee as Community Representatives, together with Named Substitutes.
- 2.2** The Local Committee will review the community organisational sectors representing the Local Committee on an annual basis. The review will be subject to requirements specified in the Decentralisation Scheme, that 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 Representatives' 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** The current Community Representatives, including Named Substitutes, for this Local Committee, are as detailed in Appendix I.
- 3.2** The current Community Representatives' "period of appointment" is due to expire on 31 March 2005. Accordingly, it is suggested that the Local 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.
- 3.3** The current Community Representative for Young People, has, unfortunately, not been able to attend any meetings of the Local Committee during 2004.

Accordingly, the Local Committee is asked to review the matter and to remit arrangements to the Administrative Officer as appropriate.

4. FINANCIAL/LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS - NIL

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 It is recommended that the Local Committee:-

- (i) notes the present community representation as detailed in Appendix I;
- (ii) reviews community organisation representation of the Local Committee; and
- (iii) remits 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 the period 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006 and to make such arrangements as might be necessary to facilitate this process.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Putting the Community First - Decentralisation Scheme.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers relative to this report should contact Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer, on telephone number (01563) 576140. Any person wishing further information on this report should contact Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager on telephone number (01563) 576135.

Implementation Officer: Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer.

APPENDIX I

**CURRENT POSITION OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES AND
SUBSTITUTES ON THE KILMARNOCK NORTH LOCAL COMMITTEE AS AT 10
JANUARY 2005**

<u>COMMUNITY ORGANISATION</u>	<u>COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE</u>	<u>SUBSTITUTE REPRESENTATIVE</u>
Northwest Kilmarnock Community Council	Mrs Beryl Graham	Mrs Noreen Lennon
Kilmarnock Forum on Disability	Ms Dorothy McGowan	Vacant
Northwest Kilmarnock Elderly Forum	Mrs Janet Smith	Ms Sally Roy
Young Persons Representative	Ms Kerri-Anne Clark	Vacant
Thorn Terrace Better Neighbourhood Services Group	Mr Charles McGowan	Vacant
New Farm Loch Community Council	Mr Billy Sullivan	Vacant
The Avenue Project	Vacant	Ms Jeannie Beveridge
Northwest Youth Centre	Vacant	Vacant
Onthank Community Association	Margaret Docherty	Vacant
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