

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2002 AT 1400 HOURS IN THE MORTON HALL, MAIN STREET, NEWMILNS

PRESENT: Councillors Isabella Macrae, Harry Wilson and Jim Raymond; Community Representatives Isobel Loudon, Frank Donnelly, Steve Brown, Frank Dawson, Jessie Graham, Bill Howie, Janice Speirs and Sheila McNulty; and Named Substitutes Joyce McCulloch and Aniela Miller.

ATTENDING: Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager; John Pickering, Area Manager (Housing); Jim Richmond, Police Liaison Officer; Robert Robb, Recycling Officer; Helen Sinclair, Service Development Officer (Social Inclusion); Eddie O'Connor, Team Leader (Support to Communities); and Jennifer Morrison, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Finlay MacLean and Robert McDill; Community Representative Rachael Pritchett and Named Substitute Lilian Meikle.

CHAIR: Councillor Isabella Macrae, Chair.

ADDITIONAL ITEM

COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION - EAST AYRSHIRE GARDENING CLUB

1. The Chair agreed to the consideration of an additional community grant application from East Ayrshire Gardening Club as part of Item 8 of the Agenda, as an early decision was required.

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

2. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1400 hours to allow for a fifteen minute maximum public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

3. The meeting was reconvened at 1410 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

MINUTES

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4. There was submitted and noted the Minutes (circulated) of the meeting of the Irvine Valley Local Committee held on 18 September 2002.

MATTERS ARISING

5.1 Appointment of Youth Representatives (Item 4, Page 2804, 99/03)

The Chair reported the nominations received from Loudoun Academy of Rachael Pritchett and Craig Glover as Community Representative and Named Substitute respectively. The Committee agreed to approve these nominations.

5.2 Community Grant to Gateway Writers Group (Item 8.1(b)(v), Page 2806, 99/03)

The Administrative Officer reported the overpayment of £22.00 to Gateway Writers at the meeting of the Local Committee on 18 September 2002. The Committee noted that the Local Committee's share of the grant should have been £78.00 rather than the £100.00 recommended and agreed at the last meeting. The Committee further noted that the community grants schedule had been adjusted for this meeting to take this into account.

5.3 Kilmarnock Sports Acrobatic Club (Item 8.1(b)(i) and (ii), Page 2806, 99/03)

The Administrative Officer reported the contents of a thank you letter received from Kilmarnock Sports Acrobatic Club in respect of two community grant payments made to the organisation by the Local Committee at its meeting on 18 September 2002. The letter highlighted the success for the Club when two gymnasts who had represented Great Britain at the World Age Group Championships in Germany returned with bronze medals.

It was agreed that the Chair, on behalf of the Local Committee, write to the Club congratulating them on their success.

5.4 F.C. Kilmarnock (Women's Football Club) (Item 8.1(b)(iv), Page 2806, 99/03)

The Committee noted the report by the Chair on a thank you letter received from F.C. Kilmarnock Women's Football Club in respect of a community grant payment made to the organisation by the Local Committee at its meeting on 18 September 2002.

DECENTRALISATION

PRESENTATION ON COMMUNITY PLANNING

6. The Committee received a presentation on Community Planning from Helen Sinclair, Service Development Officer.

Members of the Committee then asked questions. The Chair thanked Helen Sinclair for her presentation.

It was noted that copies of the slides used in the presentation would be issued to Community Representatives for their information.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

PRESENTATION ON THE EXTENSION OF KERBSIDE WASTE RECYCLING

7. The Committee received a presentation from Robert Robb, Recycling Officer on the Council's proposals for the Extension of Kerbside Waste Recycling.

Members of the Committee then asked questions and the Chair thanked Robert Robb for his presentation.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME 2002/2003

8. There was submitted a report dated 29 October 2002 by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources on the financial position and profile of percentage allocation as at 29 October 2002 in respect of Community Grants to local organisations 2002/2003, together with summary statements relating to the value of grants within the new categories agreed by the Local Committee as well as individual assessment reports in respect of the undernoted applications (all circulated).

It was agreed:-

- (i) **Applications Approved (for the purpose as specified on the application), viz:-**

- (a) Disability

St Marnock Youth Club (ENABLE) - £1,050.00; and that payment of the grant be remitted to the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources, in consultation with the Chair following clarification of the reasoning behind the Kilmarnock Central Local Committee's decision on this grant;

- (b) Environmental & Heritage

Galston Community Council - £300.00;

- (c) Leisure & Sport

Newmilns & Greenholm Friendship Club - £727.00;

East Ayrshire Gardening Club - The Administrative Officer reported the details of the application in respect of the funding of speakers and a programme of educational events and trips. The Group were seeking a total grant of £500.00 towards a project cost of £750.00. This was a cross-boundary application with the Irvine Valley's portion being £58.00. The Committee then agreed an award of £58.00;

- (d) Older People

Age Concern, Hurlford - £739.10; and

- (ii) **Application Deferred**

Hurlford Boys and Girls Football Club - to the meeting of the Committee in February 2003 after noting that following investigation by the Council's External Funding Officer the project had been identified as being ideal for a funding application to Awards for All. Accordingly the Committee deferred making a decision on the application until the outcome of the Awards for All application was known.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT "U" DIVISION

9. There was submitted and noted a report dated 22 October 2002 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services on the nature and results of policing issues,

operations, localised crime figures and ongoing initiatives over the preceding period and of forthcoming initiatives.

LOCAL ISSUES

GUTTER CLEANING PROGRAMME

10. There was submitted and noted a report dated 28 October 2002 (circulated) by the Director of Homes and Technical Services which advised the Local Committee of the progress with the gutter cleaning programme in the Irvine Valley.

NEW LOCAL ISSUES

11. There were no issues of interest raised for inclusion on a future Agenda by Community Representatives.

The meeting terminated at 1545 hours.