

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK NORTH LOCAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2001 AT 1400 HOURS IN THE ONTHANK COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTRE, KIRKTON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Drew McIntyre, Daniel Coffey and Willie Coffey; and Community Representatives: Matt Donnelly, Beryl Graham, Archibald Pryce, Maureen Brown, Archie McKenzie and Dorothy McGowan; and Substitute Anne McKenzie.

ATTENDING: Fiona Lees, Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources; Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager; Alan Murray, Community Learning Officer; Alison Smith, Principal Officer, Licensing and Community Safety; Sandra Marshall, Project Development Officer, Social Inclusion; John Trakalo, Senior Roads Engineer; Hugh Mitchell, Police Liaison Officer; Eddie Fraser, Team Leader (Social Services); and Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Community Representatives Arlene Lindsay and Janet Smith; and Substitute Norah McCabe.

CHAIR: Councillor Drew McIntyre, Chair.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

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

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

2. The meeting reconvened at 1424 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives and Officers present and in attendance.

MINUTES

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3. There was submitted for information and noted Minutes of meeting held on 14 November 2000.

4.1 MATTERS ARISING

- 4.1.1 **Ayrshire Electronic Community/Modernising Government Fund (Item 4.1.2, Page 1384, 99/02)** - Noted that the Head of Corporate Development and Communication would make a presentation to the next meeting regarding funding opportunities which may assist with the provision of information communication technology developments for the Kilmarnock area.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

5. The Chair agreed in terms of Standing Order 15.1, that the report on the Implementation of Social Inclusion Arrangements be taken as Item 6.

SOCIAL INCLUSION

REVIEW OF EAST AYRSHIRE'S SOCIAL INCLUSION IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS

6. There was submitted a report dated 17 January 2001 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which informed of the outcome of the Council's review of social inclusion implementation arrangements.

It was agreed:-

- (i) not to support the recommendation to note the outcome of the review and the establishment of the new arrangements to secure social inclusion initiatives throughout East Ayrshire Council; and
- (ii) to recommend that the Council pursue the extension of Social Inclusion Project funding to cover the whole of East Ayrshire and seek a meeting with the relevant Scottish Executive Ministers in this respect.

Having proposed that the Committee await the imminent response from the Scottish Executive to the Council's enquiries regarding recently announced funding opportunities (Better Neighbourhood Services Fund) prior to seeking a meeting with Scottish Executive Ministers, Councillor McIntyre dissented to this decision.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

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7. There was submitted a report dated 16 January 2001 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which outlined the financial position in respect of community grants for the financial year 2000/2001, together with a summary statement relative to outstanding applications for community grant received from local organisations.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that a Special Meeting would be held on 20 March 2001 at 1400 hours within Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock, to consider outstanding community grants for 2000/2001;
- (ii) **Applications Approved** (for the purpose as specified on the application), viz:-

(a) Disability

St Marnock Youth Club (ENABLE) - £1,043.00 - Subject to clarification of the number of members who resided within the Kilmarnock North area and to provide Councillor D Coffey with this information;

(b) Community Associations

Longpark Community Association - Noted that an award of grant of £361.00 having been made under delegated powers and that the organisation be advised to submit any future application on an earlier basis;

(c) Older People

St Joseph's Retirement Club - Noted that an award of grant of £150.00 had been made under delegated powers. Agreed a further award of £30.00;

(d) Social Inclusion

(i) Allies - To continue consideration of the application to allow other avenues of funding to be exhausted, in particular to make application to the John Fulton Trust.

It was also agreed that the Director of Educational and Social Services report back to a future meeting on a definition of Section 10 funding in respect of community organisations eligible for funding; and

(ii) Children's Holiday Project - £117.60;

(e) Sport

(i) Annanhill Junior Golf Club - Noted that £134.00 had been awarded under delegated powers. Agreed a further award of £27.00;

(ii) Bellfield Royals Boys Club - Agreed to remit approval of the award of £99.00 to the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the Chair subject to clarifying minor details of the application;

(f) Leisure Activities

Knockinlaw Disco Dancers - Noted that £370.00 had been awarded under delegated powers and that the organisation be advised to submit any future application on an earlier basis; and

(g) Young People

Knockinlaw Youth Club - Noted that an award of £400.00 was made under delegated powers and to note that the Group would be advised to submit any future application on an earlier basis.

CORPORATE RESOURCES

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNITY COUNCIL SCHEME, 1997 - PROGRAMME FOR SECOND REVIEW (Item 17, Page 1417, 99/02)

8. There was submitted a report dated 8 January 2001 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which informed of the programme for the second review of the East Ayrshire Council Community Council Scheme, 1997.

It was agreed to note that the Policy and Resources Committee at its meeting held on 13 November 2000 had agreed to undertake a second review of the East Ayrshire Council Community Council Scheme, in consultation with Community Councils, Local Members and the public.

DECENTRALISATION

RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2001/2002

9. There was submitted a report dated 10 January 2001 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which invited 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 2001 to 31 March 2002.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the present community representation as detailed within the report;
- (ii) that the organisational sectors be the Northwest Community Council, New Farm Loch Community Council, Kilmarnock Disability Forum, Northwest Youth Project, Northwest Drugs Project, Kilmarnock Elderly Forum, Scottish Homes Tenants' Group, Young Persons Representative, New Farm Loch Community Initiative and that one organisational sector would remain vacant subject to reconstitution of a Community Council for the Dean area or identification of an appropriate organisational body; and
- (iii) to remit to the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to initiate with the Secretary of the Federation of Community Groups of Kilmarnock North, the process of submission of the new nominations for Community Representatives and named Substitutes by the relevant organisations, to serve during the period 1 April 2001 to 31 March 2002 and to make such arrangements as might be necessary to facilitate this process.

SOCIAL INCLUSION

HEALTHY LIFESTYLES PROJECT

10. There was submitted a joint report dated 24 January 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services and Corporate Resources which sought the endorsement of the Local Committee for funding from the Social Inclusion Challenge Fund to promote a healthier lifestyle among the pupils of Hillhead Primary School and Kilmarnock Academy.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to support the proposal for potential financing from the Social Inclusion Challenge Fund as detailed within the report; and
- (ii) to request that the Health Professional make a presentation along with school pupils on the outcome of the Project to a future meeting.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

OPERATION SPOTLIGHT

11. There was submitted a report dated 18 January 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised of the nature and results of "Spotlight" operations, localised crime figures and ongoing initiatives over the preceding period, and advised of forthcoming initiatives.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that Local Committee Representatives identify any local problems which may be addressed by a "Spotlight" operation and advise the Police Liaison Officer accordingly;
- (ii) to note that the Police Liaison Officer would meet with Community Representatives to develop a project outline to identify home security initiatives to reduce the fear of crime for vulnerable older people and report back;
- (iii) to request a report back on the protocols in place between Housing and Strathclyde Police regarding eviction of tenants in relation to drug misuse; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

2001/2002 PROGRAMME OF STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AND FOOTWAYS

12. There was submitted a report dated 15 January 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services which advised of the 2001/2002 Roads and Footways Structural Maintenance Programmes for "inescapable" schemes approved by the Development Services Committee and sought approval of the "highly desirable" schemes for structural maintenance of footways, or "desirable" options.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the 2001/2002 Roads and Footways Structural Maintenance Programmes for "inescapable" schemes approved by the Development Services Committee;
- (ii) to approve the "highly desirable" schemes for the structural maintenance of footways; and
- (iii) to note that any reduction in the anticipated budget would be accommodated by the Head of Roads and Transportation by reducing the programmes in an equitable manner.

RATIONALISATION OF SPEED LIMITS - GLASGOW ROAD AND WESTERN ROAD, KILMARNOCK

13. There was submitted and noted a report dated 28 November 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services which advised of proposals to rationalise the speed limits currently in force on Glasgow Road and Western Road, Kilmarnock.

EDUCATIONAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES

FACILITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN NEW FARM LOCH

14. There was submitted a report dated 12 January 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which informed of the steps that had been taken in relation to improving and supporting youth work provision in New Farm Loch.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to acknowledge the progress that had been made towards establishing a youth provision support body for New Farm Loch;
- (ii) to receive regular reports from the Director of Educational and Social Services; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

LOCAL ISSUES

- 15.** The Administrative Officer invited Community Representatives to raise any items of interest for inclusion on a future Agenda.

It was agreed to note that there were no local issues raised.

The meeting terminated at 1601 hours.

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