

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK NORTH LOCAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4 FEBRUARY 2003 AT 1402 HOURS IN ONTHANK COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTRE, KIRKTON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Drew McIntyre, Daniel Coffey and Willie Coffey; and Community Representatives: Matt Donnelly, Beryl Graham, Hugh Stirling, Dorothy McGowan; Archie McKenzie; and Substitutes Noreen Lennon, Anne McKenzie, Cathy Mills, Alan Harley and Sally Roy.

ATTENDING: Julie Armstrong, Assistant Administration Manager; Bill Eadie, Principal Officer, Educational and Social Services; Sandra Marshall, Project Development Officer, Development Services; Matt Glover, Senior Roads Engineer, Development Services; Janice Harrison, Team Leader, Educational and Social Services; and Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer.

ALSO PRESENT: Claire McCartney, Treatment and Rehabilitation Co-ordinator (Ayr) and Terry Hill, Community Drugs Co-ordinator (Kilmarnock), Bridge Addiction Services; and Colin Martin, Community Policing Sergeant, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES: Councillor John Weir and Community Representative Janet Smith.

CHAIR: Councillor Drew McIntyre, Chair.

PRESENTATION ON THE CURRENT METHADONE PROGRAMME

1. The Chair welcomed Claire McCartney and Terry Hill from the Bridge Addiction Services who gave a presentation on the Methadone Programme.

Following the presentation, there was a question and answer session.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the contents of the presentation;
- (ii) to note that Community Representatives had expressed concern on behalf of older members of the community at the number of methadone clients congregating in the vicinity of the Pharmacy in Dean Street, Kilmarnock; and
- (iii) that the Administrative Officer would write on behalf of the Local Committee to request that the Bridge Addiction Services pass on Community Representatives' concerns to the Dean Street Pharmacy.

Councillor W Coffey and Community Representatives Matt Donnelly, Hugh Stirling, Dorothy McGowan and Substitutes Cathy Mills and Alan Harley joined the meeting during the above item.

ROAD SAFETY IN EAST AYRSHIRE

2. The Committee received a video presentation on road safety entitled "Cameras Cut Crashes" by Strathclyde Safety Camera Partnership.

It was agreed to note the video presentation and to refer any questions on the video presentation to the Administrative Officer.

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

3. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1445 hours to allow a 15 minute public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

4. The meeting reconvened at 1447 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Substitute Community Representatives and Officers present and in attendance.

MINUTES

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5. There was submitted for information and noted, the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 November 2002 (circulated).

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

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6. There was submitted a report dated 24 January 2003 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources on the financial position in respect of Community Grants to local organisations in 2002/2003, together with individual assessment reports received for grant assistance in terms of the Community Grants Scheme.

It was agreed:-

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

(a) Disability

- (i) St Marnock Youth Club (ENABLE) - £1,800.00;

(b) Older People

- (i) St Vincent De Paul Society - to note that an award of £200.00 had been made under delegated powers;

- (ii) Bentinck Elderly Social Club - £20.00;

(c) Social Inclusion

50's Club (New Farm Loch) - £500.00; and

(d) Sport

- (i) Hurlford Boys and Girls Football Club - £196.51.

6.2 Applications Refused

(a) Disability

- (i) Riding for Disabled (Stewarton) - Refused as an award of £500.00 had already been made under delegated powers.

6.3 Special Meeting Arrangements

The Administrative Officer reported and it was noted that a Special Local Committee meeting would be convened prior to 31 March 2003 to consider applications against the outstanding balance of the 2002/2003 budget and that Members and Community Representatives would be notified in due course.

DECENTRALISATION ISSUES

RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2003/2004

7. There was submitted a report dated 8 January 2003 (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 the arrangements for the recruitment of Community Representatives to serve on the Local Committee for the period 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the present community representation as detailed below:-

<u>ORGANISATIONAL SECTORS</u>	<u>COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE</u>	<u>SUBSTITUTE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE</u>
Northwest Community Council	Mrs Beryl Graham	Mrs Noreen Lennon
New Farm Loch Community Council	Mr Matt Donnelly	-
Kilmarnock Disability Forum	Dorothy McGowan	Alan Harley
Northwest Youth Project	-	-
Northwest Drugs Project	Mr Archie McKenzie	Mrs Anne McKenzie
Kilmarnock Elderly Forum	Mrs Janet Smith	Sally Roy
Atrium Tenants Group	Ms Maureen Brown	Mrs Cathy Mills
Young Person Representative	-	-
Vacant	-	-
Allies	Mr Hugh Stirling	-

- (ii) to note that an expression of interest from a third year pupil at James Hamilton Academy had been received and that Support to Communities were assisting in progressing the matter; and
- (iii) to remit the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to initiate the process for the submission of new nominations for Community Representatives and Substitutes by relevant organisations, to serve during the period 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004 and to make such arrangements as might be necessary to facilitate this process.

DATE AND VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING

8. The Administrative Officer advised that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 1 April 2003 at 1400 hours and requested the Committee to consider a venue for the meeting.

It was agreed that the meeting be held within New Farm Loch Community Centre, 2A Fraser Walk, Kilmarnock.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT "U" DIVISION

9. There was submitted a report dated 16 January 2003 (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 which advised of forthcoming initiatives.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that Community Representatives identify any local problems which may be addressed by local Officers and advise the Police Liaison Officer accordingly; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

FUNDING OF A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A SHOPMOBILITY SCHEME BASED IN KILMARNOCK

10. There was submitted a report dated 15 January 2003 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services which advised of the work undertaken to implement the funding of a feasibility study for a Shopmobility Scheme based in Kilmarnock.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that Local Committee Members with a personal interest in Shopmobility or who would wish to act on behalf of an individual, contact Council Officers for more information;
- (ii) to note that Community Representative Beryl Graham had expressed an interest in becoming involved; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

2003/2004 PROGRAMME OF STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AND FOOTWAYS

11. There was submitted a report dated 6 January 2003 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services which advised of the 2003/2004 Roads and Footways Structural Maintenance Programmes for "inescapable" schemes approved by the Development Services Committee and which sought approval of the "highly desirable" schemes for structural maintenance of footways, or "desirable" options.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the 2003/2004 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 as detailed in the report; 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.

2003 ANNUAL REVIEW OF “INSPIRING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE”

- 12.** There was submitted a report dated 16 December 2002 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the annual review of “Inspiring Children and Young People”, East Ayrshire Council’s Children and Young Person’s Service Plan and which sought comments from the Local Committee which might inform the process.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that Community Representatives provide any comments and suggestions which might help shape the implementation of “Inspiring Children and Young People” by contacting the Administrative Officer; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

LOCAL ISSUES

13.1 LOCAL ISSUES

There was submitted and noted a report dated 20 January 2003 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which advised on local issues raised and, where applicable, the timescale for reporting back to the Committee.

13.2 NEW LOCAL ISSUES

It was agreed that a presentation on the progress of the proposed North West Kilmarnock Primary Care Area Neighbourhood Centre be considered as a local item at a future meeting of the Local Committee.

The meeting terminated at 1545 hours.