

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON 28 FEBRUARY 2001 AT 1000 HRS
IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS,
LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Robert Taylor, Ann Hay, Brian Reeves, Daniel Coffey, Lilian MacLean, David Macrae, Harry Wilson, Iain Linton, Jane Darnbrough, Finlay MacLean, Eric Jackson, Julie Faulds, William Menzies, Eric Ross, Elaine Dinwoodie and Jimmy Carmichael.

ATTENDING: David Montgomery, Chief Executive; William Stafford, Director of Community Services; John Griffiths, Head of Leisure Services; John Crawford, Head of Protective Services; Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager; Gerard Cairns, Library, Registration and Information Services Manager; Robert McCulloch, Outdoor Amenities Manager; Denis Craig, Principal Officer, Recreation Services; and Ian Gemmell, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Stephanie Young and John Weir.

CHAIR: Councillor Robert Taylor, Chair.

“MAKING OUR COMMUNITIES SAFER” CHALLENGE COMPETITION 2001/02

1.1 COMMUNITY SAFETY PROJECTS

There was submitted a report dated 16 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised of the outcome of the bids for funding made in respect of a proposed community safety project in East Ayrshire.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note the award of two grants totalling £25,407 from the Scottish Executive in respect of two proposed community safety projects within East Ayrshire; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

1.2 CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION PROJECTS

There was submitted a report dated 16 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised of the outcome of the bids for funding made in respect of proposed CCTV projects in East Ayrshire.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note the award of two grants totalling £41,287 from the Scottish Executive in respect of two proposed CCTV projects within East Ayrshire; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

CUMNOCK SWIMMING POOL - FIRE DAMAGE TO CAFÉ

- 2.** There was submitted and noted a report dated 16 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised of the extent of damage to the café at Cumnock Swimming Pool by fire in the early hours of 13 February 2001.

GALLEON CENTRE - REVENUE GRANT 2001/02

3. There was submitted a report dated 13 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which sought approval for a revenue grant to the Galleon Centre, Kilmarnock for the financial year 2001/02.

It was agreed:

- (i) to approve a grant of £200,000 to the Kilmarnock Leisure Centre Trust 2001/02;
- (ii) that the Director of Community Services produce appropriate progress reports regarding the Galleon Centre during the ensuing year; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS SCHEME - BELLSBANK ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

4. There was submitted a report dated 20 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services on an application for financial assistance from Bellsbank Adventure Playground which had been submitted for the financial year 2001/02.

It was agreed:

- (i) to approve a grant of £22,951 to Bellsbank Adventure Playground for the financial year 2001/02; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

REVENUE BUDGET 2001/02 - ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION (ITEM 1.3, PAGE 1551, 99/02)

5. There was submitted a report dated 20 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services to request the Committee to consider and approve the allocation of additional funds recently granted by the Policy and Resources Committee, following the public consultation exercise on the budget for 2001/02.

It was agreed:

- (i) to allocate an additional £12,000 per annum for the removal of litter and refuse from grass verges;
- (ii) to authorise the establishment of two permanent manual worker posts for the materials recycling facility at Western Road, Kilmarnock at a total cost of £31,000; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2001/02 (ITEM 3, PAGE 1477, 99/02)

6. There was submitted a report dated 20 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which sought approval for the Capital Programme for the Community Services Department for the financial year 2001/02.

It was agreed:

- (i) to approve the proposed Capital Programme for 2001/02 for the Community Services Department, as detailed in the Director's report; and

- (ii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

**REVENUE BUDGET 2001-02 - CHARGES FOR SERVICES
(ITEM 19, PAGE 4027)**

7. There was submitted a report dated 8 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which requested approval of increased charges for services provided by the Department, as detailed in the report.

Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Carmichael, moved that the Committee approve the proposed charges as outlined in Appendices 1 to 11 of the Director's report, the new charges to be implemented from 1 April 2001.

Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Linton, moved as an amendment that the charges for services provided by the Community Services Department be increased for the financial year 2001/02, in line with the current rate of inflation across the Board.

On a division by a show of hands the motion was carried by nine votes to seven.

The meeting terminated at 1029 hrs.