

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

DOON VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19 MARCH 2002 AT 1400 HOURS IN
RANKINSTON COMMUNITY CENTRE, LITTMILL PLACE, RANKINSTON**

PRESENT: Councillors Elaine Dinwoodie and Tommy Farrell; Community Representatives Edward Torrance and Tony Foote; and Named Substitutes William Barr, Grace Garrity and George McCaig.

ATTENDING: Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager; Billy McDowall, Team Leader, (Educational and Social Services); Morven Buchanan, Environment Officer (Community Services); and Lynn Chapman, Trainee Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Inspector Douglas Smith, Strathclyde Police; Marie Forsyth, Ayrshire and Arran Alcohol and Drug Action Team; Richard Morrison, George Mair, and John Nisbet, all West of Scotland Water.

CHAIR: Councillor Elaine Dinwoodie, Chair.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. The Chair at her discretion and in terms of Standing Order 19 agreed to alter the order of business and consider Item 3, the West of Scotland Water Authority presentation after Item 6 below and thereafter the normal public question and answer session would be held.

MINUTES

2. There were submitted and noted (circulated) for information, Minutes of the Doon Valley Local Committee held on 29 January 2002.

MISCELLANEOUS

AYRSHIRE AND ARRAN ALCOHOL AND DRUG ACTION TEAM (ADAT)

3. The Committee heard a presentation from Marie Forsyth, Ayrshire and Arran Alcohol and Drug Action Team (ADAT), on the role of ADAT in tackling local problems and priorities relating to drugs and alcohol.

It was agreed that Community Represented groups on the Local Committee be encouraged to contact Marie Forsyth directly in connection with their views on local problems and priorities.

The Chair thanked Marie Forsyth for her presentation.

DECENTRALISATION ISSUES

**RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2002/2003 (ITEM 4, PAGE
2317, 99/02)**

4. There was submitted a report dated 28 February 2002 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which advised on the outcome of the recruitment of Community Representatives and Named Substitutes to serve on

the Doon Valley Local Committee for the period commencing 1 April 2002 to 31 March 2003.

It was reported that the following nominations for Bellsbank Women's Project had been received after the issue of the report: Mrs Irene Rowan and Substitute Mrs Joan Wightman.

It was agreed:

- (i) that although Patna Community Council would not be nominating a Community Representative or Named Substitute to serve on the Committee from 1 April 2002 to 31 March 2003, the Community Council should remain as one of the Committee's representative organisations meantime and in the event that any other local organisation expressed an interest in being represented on the Committee, that the matter be considered at that time;
- (ii) to approve the nominations received to date for Community Representatives and Named Substitutes made by the local community organisations detailed as follows:-

<u>COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE</u>	<u>COMMUNITY ORGANISATION</u>	<u>SUBSTITUTE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE</u>
Mrs Irene Rowan	Bellsbank Women's Project	Mrs Joan Wightman
	Dalmellington Community Council	
Mrs Grace Garrity	Dalrymple Community Council	Mrs M MacLure
Mr Edward Torrance	Drongan Community Council	Mr William Barr
Mr William Frew	East Ayrshire (South) Forum on Disability	Mr George Wallace
	Patna Community Council	
	Peer Education Group	
Mr Ross Fleming	Pupil's Representative (Dalmellington/Patna/Rankinston)	No Named Substitute available.
Mr Greg Robertson	Pupil's Representative (Drongan)	Ms Susan Stevenson
Mr Tony Foote	Rankinston Community Association/Rankinston Old People's Welfare Association	Mr George McCaig

- (iii) that the Director of Corporate Resources continue to pursue nominations for the vacant positions as identified within the report for the period 1 April 2002 to 31 March 2003.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

STRATHCLYDE POLICE "SPOTLIGHT" REPORT

5. There was submitted and noted a report dated 11 March 2002 (circulated) by Chief Inspector Hugh McKnight, Strathclyde Police, which advised on "Spotlight" activity and other crime trends over the recent period.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME - ALLOCATION FOR 2002/2003 (ITEM 11, PAGE 2404, 99/02)

6. There was submitted a report dated 5 March 2002 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which advised of the grant allocation for 2002/2003 and of the grant spend for the last two years.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that the Community Grant allocation for the Doon Valley Local Committee for 2002/2003 was £24,324; and
- (ii) to otherwise note the contents of the report.

LOCAL ISSUES

7.1 LOCAL ISSUES

There was submitted and noted a report dated 5 March 2002 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources on local issues raised and, where applicable, the timescale for reporting back to the Local Committee.

7.2 NEW LOCAL ISSUES

Community Representatives were invited to raise any items of interest for inclusion on a future Agenda.

Following reference to a recent press article in relation to youth crime statistics, it was agreed to request a report on the breakdown of the statistics in respect of Youth Crime in East Ayrshire as a future item for the local issues programme.

MISCELLANEOUS

WEST OF SCOTLAND WATER AUTHORITY

8. The Committee heard a presentation from Richard Morrison, Regional Manager, West of Scotland Water Authority, on the proposed new water supply at Rankinston and it was noted, that following the presentation there would be an opportunity for questions to be asked during the normal question and answer session after the conclusion of the meeting.

The meeting terminated at 1425 hours.

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