

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 10 SEPTEMBER 2003 AT 1400 HOURS IN
SHORTLEES COMMUNITY CENTRE, BLACKSYKE AVENUE, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Ray Murray, Provost Jane Darnbrough; Community Representatives: Joan Wark, Winnie Campbell, Susan Anderson and Named Substitute Community Representatives Jean Collins and Mary Proudfoot.

ATTENDING: Mike Rooney, Environmental Health Officer; Melvin Griffin, External Funding and Sustainability Officer; Anne Marie Carr, Senior Administrative Officer and Sharon McHarg, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Sergeant D Hamilton and PC W McClymont, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES: Councillor John Knapp, and Community Representatives John Timpany, Peggy Shaw and Jim Bryan.

CHAIR: Councillor Ray Murray, Chair.

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

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

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

2. The meeting reconvened at 1403 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3. There was submitted, for information and noted, the Minutes of the meeting of the Kilmarnock South Local Committee held on 11 June 2003 (circulated).

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME 2003/2004: BUDGET ALLOCATION

4. There was submitted a report dated 29 August 2003 (circulated) and an updated report dated 4 September 2003 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which advised the Local Committee of the financial position in respect of Community Grants to local organisations for 2003/2004 together with individual assessment reports (circulated) in respect of the following applications:-

4.1 Applications Approved

- (a) Art and Culture
 - (i) Loudoun Music Society - £146;

(b) Sport

- (i) North West Boxing Club - £63.91;
- (ii) FC Kilmarnock Ladies - £352.94;
- (iii) Glenfield Bowling Club - £106.00; and
- (iv) Caprington Ladies Golf Club - £151.51.

Having noted the concern expressed by Provost Darnbrough regarding the lack of local groups applying for Community Grant funding and in response to her query regarding how the Community Grants Scheme was publicised, it was agreed:-

- (i) to note that one method employed in publicising the Community Grants Scheme was "the Grapevine" which was circulated locally on a regular basis; and
- (ii) that the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources advise on how the Community Grants Scheme was promoted and be requested to investigate other ways of publicising the Community Grants Scheme.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM

- 5. There was submitted, for information and noted, the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Forum held on 5 March 2003 (circulated).

SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT "U" DIVISION

- 6. There was submitted a report dated 25 August 2003 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised on the nature and results of policing issues, operations, localised crime figures and ongoing initiatives for the preceding period.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that PC Willie McClymont would be the Community Police Officer for the foreseeable future in the Kilmarnock South Area and that any local problems or concerns identified by the Members of the Local Committee should be reported to him; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

DOG FOULING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003

- 7. There was submitted a report dated 12 June 2003 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised on the new legislation designed to deal with the problem of dog fouling, as requested by the Community Services Committee.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that the Director of Community Services would be empowered to authorise suitable officers to issue fixed penalty notices; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

DECENTRALISATION

ANNUAL SEMINAR FOR COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

8. There was submitted a report dated 20 August 2003 (circulated) by the Community Representatives Working Group which (i) advised the Local Committee of the arrangements to hold an Annual Seminar for Community Representatives in November 2003; (ii) sought the Committees views thereon; and (iii) requested details of any issues in respect of the Local Committee process that Community Representatives would wish to discuss at the Seminar.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that the Seminar would take place in November of this year;
- (ii) that the preferred option would be for the Seminar to take place on a Saturday between 10 am and 2 pm, including lunch; and
- (iii) that "The Promotion of the Community Grants Scheme" be submitted as an issue for discussion at the Seminar.

NEW LOCAL ISSUES

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

It was agreed that the Director of Community Services in consultation with Strathclyde Police be requested to submit a report to a future meeting of the Local Committee on the operation of the CCTV system within East Ayrshire with particular reference to the Kilmarnock South Area.

The meeting terminated at 1445 hours.