

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK NORTH LOCAL COMMITTEE - 5 FEBRUARY 2002

RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2002/2003

Report by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1** To invite 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 2002 to 31 March 2003.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1** The Council's Decentralisation Scheme makes provision for Local Committees to involve their local communities in their decision-making process by inviting appropriate local community organisations to nominate up to 10 representatives to serve on the Local Committee as Community Representatives, together with Named Substitutes.
- 2.2** Local Committees will review the community organisation sectors represented on the Committee on an annual basis. The review will be subject to requirements specified in the Decentralisation Scheme, but at least one Community Representative should be drawn from each of the "core" community organisation sectors, namely:- Community Councils and the local Elderly, Disability and Youth Forums (or equivalent organisations).
- 2.3** In accordance with the decision of the Decentralisation Sub-Committee of the Policy and Resources Committee of 15 April 1997, Community Representatives' appointments should terminate on 31 March each successive year. Fresh nominations are required from organisations for Community Representatives and Named Substitutes to serve for a period of one year commencing on 1 April each year.

3. PRESENT POSITION

- 3.1** Having regard to the provisions set out pertaining to community organisation representation on Local Committees, the current Community Representatives, including Named Substitutes for this Local Committee, are as detailed in Appendix I, hereto.
- 3.2** The current Community Representatives' period of appointment is due to expire on 31 March 2002. Accordingly, it is suggested that the Local Committee should now review the present community organisation representation and determine arrangements for the recruitment of Community Representatives and Named Substitutes for the coming year.

3.3 It is considered to continue the practice whereby the Kilmarnock North Federation of Community Groups considers nominations from Community Groups and makes recommendations to the Local Committee.

4. FINANCIAL/LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS - Nil.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 It is recommended that the Local Committee:-

- (i) note the present community representation as detailed in Appendix I;
- (ii) review community organisation representation on this Local Committee; and
- (iii) remit to the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to initiate the process for the submission of new nominations for Community Representatives and Named Substitutes by the relevant organisations, to serve during the period 1 April 2002 to 31 March 2003 and to make such arrangements as might be necessary to facilitate this process.

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Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

18 January 2002

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Putting the Community First - Decentralisation Scheme.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers relative to this report should contact Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer, on telephone number (01563) 576140. Any person wishing further information on this report should contact Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager on telephone number (01563) 576135.

Implementation Officer: Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer.

APPENDIX I

<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	Mrs Agnes Gerrard*
Kilmarnock Disability Forum	Dorothy McGowan	-
Northwest Youth Project	Ms Arlene Lindsay	-
Northwest Drugs Project	Mr Archie McKenzie	Mrs Anne McKenzie
Kilmarnock Elderly Forum	Mrs Janet Smith	Ms Norah McCabe
East Ayrshire Housing Tenants Group	Ms Maureen Brown	-
Young Person Representative	-	-
New Farm Loch Community Initiative	Mr Archibald Pryce	Mr Gerry Coyle
Allies	Mr Hugh Stirling	

* Proposed, to be considered by Local Committee on 5 February 2002.

AGENDA