

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE - 26 MARCH 2003

APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

Report by Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1** The purpose of the report is to advise the Local Committee of the position in respect of the proposed appointment of Community Representatives from local organisations to serve on the Kilmarnock South Local Committee for the period 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1** The Kilmarnock South Local Committee, at their meeting held on 29 January 2003, agreed to 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 2003 to 31 March 2004 and to make such arrangements as might be necessary to facilitate this process.
- 2.2** As members are aware, the Local Committee agreed to retain the current community organisation representation on the Local Committee as follows:- Bellfield Community Council; Churches; Community Residents Association; Early Education and Childcare; Young Persons' Representative; South Kilmarnock Elderly Forum; Pre-5 Representative; East Ayrshire (North) Forum on Disability and Shortlees Community Association.
- 2.3** Members of the Committee will be aware of the difficulties which have been experienced in recruiting a Young Persons' Representative to serve on the Local Committee. In this regard, the Local Committee is asked to note that the Head of Community Support is currently exploring alternative ways to engage young people in the Council's decision making process, for example, through the use of the Multi-agency Forum for Young People which would allow their views to be listened to, not only in relation to Council issues, but with the Council's Community Learning partners.
- 2.4** In relation to the constitutional status of the Community Residents Association, the Local Committee is advised that the Community Residents Association will be known under the name of Atrium/Shortlees Tenants Association and that it is proposed to ratify their constitution at their AGM on 27 March 2003. Following this meeting it was intended that nominations for a Community Representative and Named Substitute to serve on the Local Committee would be submitted to the Council.

3. APPOINTMENTS FOR 2003/2004: CURRENT POSITION

3.1 Nominations for Community Representatives and Named Substitutes for the Kilmarnock South Local Committee for the period 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004 received to date are as follows:-

Community Representative	Community Organisation	Substitute Community Representative
Mr John Timpany	Bellfield Community Council	Mrs Jean Collins
Mrs Joan Wark	Church Representation	Mr Arthur Brown
Mrs Margaret Shaw	Early Education and Childcare	Mrs Jan McColl
Refer to comments at paragraph 2.3 of the report	Young People	Refer to comments at paragraph 2.3 of the report
Mrs Winnie Campbell	South Kilmarnock Elderly Forum	Mrs A Gallacher
Unable to nominate a representative at this time	Pre-5 Representative	Unable to nominate a representative at this time
Jim Bryan	East Ayrshire (North) Forum on Disability	No Named Substitute available
Mr George Morton	Sports Groups	Mr Arthur Cowley
	Shortlees Community Association	

3.2 Nominations for Community Representatives and Named Substitutes for the Local Committee are still awaited from Shortlees Community Association.

4. POLICY/FINANCIAL/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS - Nil.

5. RECOMMENDATION

5.1 It is recommended that the Local Committee:-

- (i) approve the nominations received to date for Community Representatives and Named Substitutes made by the local community organisations detailed in paragraph 3.1 of the report;
- (ii) note the position in respect of those organisations which have not submitted nominations for Community Representative and Named Substitute detailed in paragraph 3.2 of the report;
- (iii) note the position with regard to the efforts being made to recruit a Young Persons' Representative for the Local Committee as outlined at paragraph 2.3 of the report; and

- (iv) remit to the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to make such arrangements as might be necessary to facilitate the submission of outstanding nominations for Community Representatives and Named Substitute Community Representatives for the Kilmarnock South Local Committee.

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Director of Corporate Resources

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5 March 2003

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Correspondence with local community organisations in respect of nominations.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers relative to this report should contact Anne Marie Carr, Senior Administrative Officer, on telephone number (01563) 576134. Any person wishing further information on this report should contact Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager, on telephone number (01563) 576135.

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