

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 31 JANUARY 2001 AT 1205 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Tommy Farrell, Daniel Coffey, Douglas Reid, Drew McIntyre, Harry Wilson, John Knapp, Finlay MacLean, Provost Boyd and Councillor Eric Ross.

ATTENDING: David Montgomery, Chief Executive; Fiona Lees, Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources; Bill Stafford, Director of Community Services; John Walker, Head of Building and Works; Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager; and Christine Baillie, Trainee Administrative Officer.

CHAIR: Councillor Tommy Farrell, Chair.

CONFERENCES AND COURSES BUDGETARY UPDATE

1. There was submitted and noted the conferences and courses budgetary update which advised that the allocation as at 25 January 2001 was £2,384.06.

CONFERENCES AND COURSES

2.1 CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF HOUSING CONFERENCE: 19-22 JUNE 2001, HARROGATE

There was submitted a report dated 4 January 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Homes and Technical Services which requested that the Sub-Committee consider attendance at the above Annual Conference.

It was agreed to authorise attendance at the above Conference by one Member of the Administration, if available, the name to be notified to the Chief Executive as soon as possible.

Councillor Ross joined the meeting during discussion of the above item.

2.2 OFF THE JOB SAFETY 2001: 5 APRIL 2001, GLASGOW

There was submitted a report dated 11 January 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised of an invitation for the Council to be represented at the above one day Seminar.

It was agreed to authorise attendance at the above Seminar by one Member of the Administration, if available, the name to be notified to the Chief Executive as soon as possible.

2.3 NUCLEAR FREE LOCAL AUTHORITIES STEERING COMMITTEE, 4TH UK AND IRISH LOCAL AUTHORITIES CONFERENCE ON NUCLEAR HAZARDS "IS THE CLIMATE CHANGING FOR NUCLEAR ENERGY": 29/30 MARCH 2001, CORK, IRELAND

There was submitted a report dated 18 January 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised on an invitation for the Council to be represented at the above two day Seminar.

It was agreed that there be no Elected Member representation at the Conference.

2.4 BETTER GOVERNMENT FOR OLDER PEOPLE CONFERENCE: 9 FEBRUARY 2001, EDINBURGH

There was submitted a report dated 25 January 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which requested that the Sub-Committee consider Member representation at the above Conference.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that all Members be invited to express any interest in attending the Conference; and
- (ii) to remit the arrangements to the Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the Chair, to determine actual Member attendance.

2.5 SCOTTISH ADLO BUILDING SERVICES ANNUAL SEMINAR: 6-9 FEBRUARY 2001, PEEBLES

There was submitted a report dated 25 January 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Homes and Technical Services which requested that the Sub-Committee consider attendance at the above Annual Conference.

It was agreed that there be no Elected Member representation at the Seminar.

CIVIC CEREMONIAL BUDGETARY UPDATE

3.1 There was submitted and noted the civic ceremonial budgetary update which advised that the allocation remaining as at 25 January 2001 was £4,585.93.

3.2 MEN'S SCOTTISH BOWLING ASSOCIATION

There was submitted a report dated 12 January 2001 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which asked that the Sub-Committee consider a request for civic hospitality from Mr William Kerr who resided in Kilmarnock and who had been appointed as President of the Scottish Bowling Association. The request for civic hospitality related to a proposed President's Tour of East Ayrshire by the Association's members and involved a series of 3 games scheduled to take place on 16, 17 and 18 August 2001.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that East Ayrshire host a small reception to take place in the Pillared Hall, Grand Hall Complex, Kilmarnock, on 16 August 2001, at a cost of approximately £150; and

- (ii) to remit the necessary arrangements including Council representation at the civic reception, to the Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the Chair.

3.3 UNDER 18 SCHOOLS CENTENARY SHIELD MATCH SCOTLAND V ENGLAND

There was submitted a report dated 15 December 2000 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which requested that the Sub-Committee consider an application from the Ayrshire Schools Football Association to provide civic hospitality in the form of a pre-match reception in the Park Suite, Rugby Park, Kilmarnock, on 30 March 2001.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that East Ayrshire support the request to provide civic hospitality in the form of a pre-match reception at a cost of approximately £296; and
- (ii) to remit the necessary arrangements including Council representation at the civic reception, to the Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the Chair.

3.4 EAST AYRSHIRE CHILDREN'S PANEL ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF CHILDREN'S HEARINGS SYSTEM IN SCOTLAND

There was submitted a report dated 8 January 2001 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which requested that the Sub-Committee consider an application from East Ayrshire Children's Panel Advisory Committee (CPAC) to provide civic hospitality in the form of a small evening reception hosted by East Ayrshire Council in recognition of the 30th Anniversary of the Children's Hearing System in Scotland.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that East Ayrshire Council host a small reception to take place in the Pillared Hall, Grand Hall Complex, Kilmarnock, on 16 August 2001, at a cost of approximately £250; and
- (ii) to remit the necessary arrangements including Council representation at the civic reception, to the Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the Chair.

3.5 327 (KILMARNOCK) SQUADRON AIR TRAINING CORPS

There was submitted a report dated 12 December 2000 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which requested that the Sub-Committee consider an application from the 327 (Kilmarnock) Squadron Air Training Corps to provide civic hospitality in the form of a finger buffet in the Pillared Hall, Grand Hall Complex, Kilmarnock, on Sunday 18 February 2001 in recognition of its 60th Anniversary.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to award £250 to assist with the cost of civic hospitality; and
- (ii) to remit the necessary arrangements including Council representation at the civic lunch, to the Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the Chair.

3.6 SCOTTISH COMMUNITY DRAMA ASSOCIATION - AYRSHIRE DISTRICT

There was submitted a report dated 11 January 2001 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which requested that the Sub-Committee consider an application from the Scottish Community Drama Association - Ayrshire District to provide civic hospitality in the form of a finger buffet to be held on the evening of Saturday 7 April 2001 in recognition of them hosting the Western Divisional Final of the Scottish Community Drama Association One Act Plays Festival.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to award £200 to assist with the cost of civic hospitality; and
- (ii) to remit the necessary arrangements including Council representation at the finger buffet, to the Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the Chair.

3.7 EAST AYRSHIRE TWINNING ASSOCIATION

There was submitted a report dated 22 January 2001 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which asked the Sub-Committee to consider a request for civic hospitality and financial assistance from the East Ayrshire Twinning Association in respect of a visit by families from Joué-lès-Tours from 24-28 May 2001.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the request for a civic reception be approved;
- (ii) that the Council provide a grant of £1,000 towards the cost of all activities and civic hospitality; and
- (iii) to remit the necessary arrangements and the programme including Council representation at the civic reception, to the Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the Chair.

3.8 INTER-AUTHORITY BOWLING MATCHES

There was submitted a report dated 12 December 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which sought approval for funding for two Inter-Authority bowling matches.

The request for funding related to two Inter-Authority bowling matches, one between the 3 Ayrshire Authorities which would be held in May/June 2001 and the other with South Lanarkshire Council to take place in August 2001. Both Elected Members and employees form the teams.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that approval, in principle, be granted to host the above events with an estimated cost being £2,000 in 2001/02;
- (ii) that the Director of Community Services organise the events; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

PROPOSALS FOR CIVIC RECOGNITION OF ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

4. There was submitted a report dated 22 January 2001 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which presented for consideration proposed arrangements recognising the anniversary celebration of local groups, establishments etc, who may approach the Council from time to time.

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It was agreed to recommend to Council:-

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- (i) that the proposals for setting a scale of recognition for the anniversary celebrations of local groups, establishments etc, as set out in Paragraph 3 of the report be adopted in principle with effect from 1 April 2001;
- (ii) that the Sub-Committee continues to consider initially each individual application on its merits with regard to the prevailing budgetary position and to any exceptional circumstances including the overall significance of the event to East Ayrshire; and
- (iii) that the standard application form for civic recognition of anniversary events be amended to reflect these arrangements.

CIVIC CEREMONIAL

37TH AYRSHIRE (HENDERSON) SCOUT GROUP

5. There was submitted a report dated 29 January 2001 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which asked the Sub-Committee to consider a request for help towards the purchase of special commemorative badges for the boys and shrubs to plant in a commemorative garden at the Henderson Church, Kilmarnock, to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Scout Group.

It was agreed to award the Group £260 towards the cost of 70 commemorative badges and shrubs for the commemorative garden.

The meeting terminated at 1250 hours.

AGENDA