

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 1997 AT 1400 HRS
IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS,
LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Gordon Cree, Irene Reeves, Wilma Doyle, Douglas Reid and Ronald Brailsford; and Community Representatives Mrs Elizabeth McCall; Mr Charles Calman, Mr John McIvor, Mrs Jean Dunlop, Mrs Betty Mabon, Mrs Geraldine Garland, Mrs Babs Gallagher and Mr Ian McVey.

ATTENDING: Paul McVey, Area Housing Manager; Susan Mason, Assistant Divisional Manager (Social Work); Anne Jackson, Principal Community Education Officer; Sam McVie, Principal Surveyor; Donald McVicar, Department Strategy Officer; Eddie O'Connor, Senior Community Education Worker; George Fraser, Senior Policy Adviser; and Melanie Macleod, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Chief Inspector Green.

CHAIR: Councillor Gordon Cree, Chair.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. There were submitted for information and noted the Minutes of Meeting of the Kilmarnock Central Local Committee held on 23 September 1997 (circulated).

**FORCE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR 1998/99 -
PRESENTATION BY STRATHCLYDE POLICE**

2. A video presentation was made to the Committee by Strathclyde Police in relation to its goals and objectives for 1998/99 and highlighting the support received by the Chief Constable from Central Government and other agencies in the Force's commitment to community safety.

It was agreed:

- (i) that community representatives consult with their organisations with a view to bringing forward any particular areas of concern in terms of community safety either directly to Strathclyde Police or via their local Elected Member or Community Council; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the content of the presentation.

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL 1997 GARDEN COMPETITION (Item 9, Page 2148)

3. There was submitted a report (circulated) by the Director of Housing advising the Committee of the results of the 1997 Garden Competition.

It was agreed to note the following results of judging in respect of the Kilmarnock Central local area:-

<u>Category</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Winner (including hanging baskets)	Mr J Moore	35 Craiglea Avenue, Crosshouse
Runner-up	Mr C Milligan	31 Woodlea Court, Crosshouse

Thereafter, the Chair made a formal presentation of prizes to Mr Moore and Mr Milligan and congratulated them on their success.

SUPPORT TO COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES ON LOCAL COMMITTEES (Item 5, Page 2626)

4. There was submitted a joint report dated 20 October 1997 (circulated) by the Directors of Social Work and of Education on the role of Community Work staff within Social Work and Education Departments in relation to the provision of support for Community Representatives on Local Committees.

It was agreed:

- (i) to approve arrangements for support to community representatives on Local Committees;
- (ii) to note the Local Committee's commitment to an ongoing and supportive training process for its Community Representatives; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the content of the report.

YOUTH PARTICIPATION IN EAST AYRSHIRE (Item 5, Page 2569)

5. There was submitted a report dated 10 September 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Education on developments in the participation of young people through the Community Education Service in activities and projects throughout East Ayrshire.

It was agreed:

- (i) to recognise the developing commitment to young people's participation in youth activities within the Community Education Services;
- (ii) to note the outline arrangements for Youth Work Week 1997; and
- (iii) that the Director of Education continue to publicise and promote youth work, particularly with regard to the integration of young people with physical disabilities.

CONSULTATION ON THE OPERATION OF COMMUNITY FORUMS (Item 4, Page 2626)

6. There was submitted a report dated 16 October 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services seeking the view of the Committee on the operation of Local Forums with a view to considering future conduct of Local Forum business.

It was agreed that the current format and timing of Local Forum meetings to be adequate, but that these should continue was monitored in the future.

COMMUNITY FORUM - NEXT MEETING

7. It was reported and noted that the next meeting of the Kilmarnock Central Community Forum would take place at 1900 hrs on Monday 24 November 1997 in Crosshouse Community Centre; that the local item for the Forum meeting, as determined by the Committee, would be "Promotion of Road Safety"; and that the Council item would be "Social Work - Supporting People in the Community".

STREET NAMING: DEVELOPMENT AT SPRINGHILL GARDENS, KILMARNOCK

8. There was submitted a report dated 21 October 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services on the new development at Springhill Gardens, Kilmarnock and requesting the Local Committee's views on a proposed name for the street.

It was agreed:

- (i) that the new development be named Springhill View; and
- (ii) that the Head of Contracting and Technical Services be advised accordingly.

**STREET NAMING: NEW DEVELOPMENT AT
STRAWBERRYBANK ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

9. There was submitted a report dated 21 October 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services on a new development at Strawberrybank Road, Kilmarnock and requesting the Local Committee's views on a proposed name for the street.

It was agreed:

- (i) that the new development be named Kay Park Grove; and
- (ii) that the Head of Contracting and Technical Services be advised accordingly.

**SOCIAL WORK SERVICES IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM:
PLANNING STATEMENT 1998/99 (Item 4, Page 2546)**

10. There was submitted and noted a report dated 30 October 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Social Work advising the Committee of the content of the 1998/99 Planning Statement for Social Work Services in the Criminal Justice system.

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL SENSORY IMPAIRMENT SERVICES
(Item 7, Page 1823)**

11. There was submitted and noted a report dated 26 September 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Social Work informing the Committee of the Council's new Sensory Impairment Service.

CONSULTATION ON EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL CHILDREN'S SERVICE PLAN

12. There was submitted a report dated 14 October 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Social Work on the Council's statutory duty to prepare, consult upon and publicise a Children's Service Plan, and to seek the Committee's view on the Plan.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note the arrangements for consultation and the opportunity to provide comments on the draft Plan and on the Council's services to children and families as outlined within the report; and

- (ii) otherwise to note the content of the report.

LONGPARK STRATEGY (Item 2.2, Page 2378)

13. There was submitted a report dated 10 October 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Housing identifying options available to the Council for the future of the area of Longpark, Kilmarnock.

Having noted that, at its meeting on 30 October 1997, the Kilmarnock North Local committee remitted to the Director of Housing to arrange for a public meeting to take place to allow residents of the Longpark area of Kilmarnock to examine the various options available to the Council in terms of the future of the areas, it was agreed:

- (i) that members of the Kilmarnock Central Local Committee also have the opportunity to be involved in the aforementioned public meeting;
- (ii) to continue consideration of this matter to the next meeting of the Local Committee, pending the outcome of the public meeting; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the content of the report.

Community Representative Charles Calman left the meeting during discussion of the above item.

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

14. There was submitted a report dated 21 October 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services, providing a summary of information relative to applications by community groups for Community Grants and outlining the financial position in respect of grants awarded so far during the financial year 1997/98.

It was agreed as follows:-

- (i) **Applications Approved** (for the purpose specified on the application)
 - (a) Disability Groups
Cessnock Club - £154
 - (b) Older People's Groups
Friendship Club - £360
Piersland Action Group - £550
Rosebank Club - £260
 - (c) Miscellaneous
Lodge St Marnock - £400
Kilmarnock Concert Brass - £582

Councillor Douglas Reid and substitute Community Representative Ian McVey joined the meeting during discussion of the above item.

LOCAL COMMITTEES - FORWARD PLANNING 1997/98 (Item 3, Page 2626)

15. There was submitted and noted a report dated 21 October 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services advising of arrangements for forward planning in respect of the Agenda and timescales of Local Committee meetings for 1997/98.

The meeting terminated at 1528 hrs.