

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER 1996 AT 1430 HRS
IN BELLFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE, WHATRIGGS ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Provost Robert Stirling and Councillor Alan Campbell and Community Representatives Margaret Shaw, William McCulloch, Donald Walker, James Dunsmuir, Allan Faulds, Jim Bryan, and Anne McRoberts.

ATTENDING: Matt Glover, Senior Engineer, Department of Roads; Arthur West, Senior Community Worker; Denis Craig, Principal Officer (Recreation); Angus Cochrane, Strathclyde Police; Jane Overton, Senior Policy Advisor (Strategy/Partnerships); Donald McVicar, Senior Administrative Officer; and Anne Marie Carr, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Jane Darnbrough and Diane Gill, Community Representative.

CHAIR: Provost Robert Stirling, Chair.

COMMUNITY CARE PLAN (SOCIAL WORK)

1. There was submitted a report dated November 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Social Work which sought approval for the proposed outline of East Ayrshire's Community Care Plan.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Social Work return to consult with Local Committees throughout the development of the Community Care Plan; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the content of the report.

COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING HELD ON 11 NOVEMBER 1996

- 2.1 There was submitted and noted a report dated 4 December 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services which advised of the outcome of the Kilmarnock South Local Community Forum held in Shortlees Community Education Centre, on Monday 11 November 1996.

FUTURE LOCAL COMMUNITY FORUM MEETINGS

- 2.2 It was reported and noted that the Council item for the next round of Community Forum meetings would be the Council's Budget Proposals for 1997/98.

The Local Committee were invited to determine the local item for the next Forum meeting.

It was agreed that the two local items for the next Local Community Forum would be as undernoted:-

- (i) Local Agenda 21; and
- (ii) Homelessness.

**DISABLED PARKING SURVEY - KILMARNOCK TOWN CENTRE CAR
PARKS (Item 3, Page 1468)**

3. There was submitted a report dated 28 November 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services to present a progress report on the survey that had been carried out to establish the usage and demand for disabled bays within the town centre car parks.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the enforcement of regulations relative to the disabled parking bays in Kilmarnock Town Centre be supported; and
- (ii) that a more detailed report, with proposals, be submitted to a future meeting of the Local Committee.

DAMAGE TO VERGES (Item 2, Page 1467)

4. There was submitted a report dated 29 November 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services which informed the Local Committee of the current position regarding the damage to verges in the Shortlees area of Kilmarnock.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that temporary remedial work be carried out immediately to ensure that verges were safe over the winter period;
- (ii) that West of Scotland Water be informed that remedial work to verges must be undertaken in Spring 1997; and
- (iii) that the Local Committee note the written assurances which had been given by West of Scotland Water.

**REQUEST ETC FOR BANS ON LIVE PRIZES AT FUNFAIRS AND PERFORMING
ANIMALS AT CIRCUSES (Item 7, Page 1386)**

5. There was submitted a report dated 20 November 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised the Local Committee that the Council had considered introducing a ban on performing animals in circuses and the giving of live fish and other animals as prizes or gifts at funfairs.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that any comments from the Local Committee regarding this matter be submitted to the Director of Community Services for further consideration; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

LOCAL COMMITTEE COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME (Item 13, Page 1470)

6.1 Declaration of Interest

Jim Bryan, Community Representative declared an interest in the application which had been submitted by the Kilmarnock Forum on Disability and took no part in the consideration of the application.

6.2 Consideration of Item

There was submitted a report dated 4 December 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services on applications received from local organisations for grant assistance in terms of the Community Grants Scheme.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the undernoted grant payments to the organisations detailed (for the purpose specified on the application), viz:-

Applicant	Grant Award
St Joseph's Retirement Club	£134
Shortlees Community Association	£1,500
It was agreed to note that the Centre had been opened in 1983 and not 1993 as stated in the report.	
Kilmarnock Tennis Club	£1,629
Bellfield After School Care	£250
Noah's Ark Crèche	£239.44
Strathclyde Police - Community Police Branch	£60.00
Kilmarnock Forum on Disability	£500.00
Youth Link Ayrshire (Ayrshire Consultative Committee of Youth Organisations)	£40.00
Shortlees Boys Group	£500.00

- (ii) to continue consideration of the application from Oakstaple Playgroup in order that information may be obtained concerning the numbers from the Kilmarnock South Local Committee area who used the facility;
- (iii) to refuse the undernoted applications for the reasons detailed:-

Applicant	Reason for Refusal
Buchanan Centre	The estimated cost of the project had been under estimated by the applicant.
Life Line Dog Rescue	The people receiving re-homed dogs could refund the group for each animals recovery, board and inoculation fees
(iv)	that one set of the background papers be made available for the Community Representatives subject to consultation with the Director of Support Services.

PUTTING THE COMMUNITY FIRST - PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S DECENTRALISATION SCHEME (Item 1, Page 1588)

7. There was submitted a report dated 2 December 1996 (circulated) by the Chief Executive which provided an update on progress made in respect of the result of the monitoring and evaluation of the Council's Preliminary Decentralisation Scheme, the proposed terms for the Council's Draft Scheme and the forthcoming consultation as

reported to the Decentralisation Sub-Committee of the Policy and Resources Committee on 26 November 1996.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the Policy and Resources Decentralisation Sub-Committee's response to the results of the monitoring and evaluation of the Preliminary Decentralisation Scheme;
- (ii) to note the proposed publication of the draft Decentralisation Scheme; and
- (iii) to note that arrangements would be made for Members of the Local Committee to make an input to the Draft Decentralisation Scheme following publication.

**DRAFT SCHEME FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
COMMUNITY COUNCILS (Item 12, Page 1569)**

8. There was submitted a report dated 5 December 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services which advised of the progress on the consultation process towards the establishment of a new scheme for Community Councils in East Ayrshire.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the progress on consultation towards the formulation of a new scheme for the establishment of Community Councils in East Ayrshire; and
- (ii) to note that a further report would be submitted to the Local Committee in due course.

The meeting terminated at 1525 hrs.