

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 31 MAY 2000 AT 1400 HOURS
IN HURLFORD COMMUNITY CENTRE, CESSNOCK ROAD, HURLFORD**

PRESENT: Councillors James Raymond, Finlay MacLean and Robert McDill; Community Representatives George Dalziel, Steve Brown, Bill Pattison, Andrew Nisbet, Nancy Mair and Evelyn Mair; and Substitutes Gerard Cassidy, Jessie Graham, and G Laing.

ATTENDING: Charlie Woodward, Museums and Arts Manager (Community Services); Hugh Mitchell, Police Liaison Officer; Ken Robinson, Principal Administrative Officer (Corporate Services); Jane Overton, Senior Strategy Adviser (Development Services); Glen Crotch, Team Leader (Social Work); and Melanie Macleod, Administrative Officer (Corporate Services).

APOLOGIES: Councillors David Macrae and Harry Wilson; and Substitutes Janice Cameron and Frank Donnelly.

CHAIR: Councillor James Raymond, Chair.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

1. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1401 hours to allow for a 15 minute maximum public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

2. The meeting was reconvened at 1415 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and attending.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3. There were submitted and noted the minutes (circulated) of the meeting of the Irvine Valley Local Committee held on 19 April 2000.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

OPERATION SPOTLIGHT

4. There was submitted a report dated 17 May 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised of the nature and results of "Spotlight" operations, localised crime figures and ongoing initiatives over the preceding six week period and which advised of forthcoming initiatives.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Strathclyde Police Divisional Commander be requested to provide information on arrangements for the filling of Community Police Officer posts; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the content of the report.

DECENTRALISATION ISSUES

ANNUAL SEMINAR FOR COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

5. There was submitted a report dated 15 May 2000 (circulated) by the Community Representative Working Party which advised of arrangements to hold the next Annual Seminar for Community Representatives in November 2000; sought the Local Committee's views thereon; and requested details of any issues in respect of the Local Committee process which Community Representatives would wish discussed at the Annual Seminar.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the arrangements for the Annual Seminar in 2000 and that further information would be issued for Community Representatives when arrangements had been finalised; and
- (ii) that Community Representatives consult with their parent groups and submit to the Community Representatives Working Party via the relevant Local Committee Administrative Officer any issues which they would wish the next Annual Seminar to consider.

COMMUNITY FORUM

6. The Administrative Officer requested suggestions for a topic to be considered as a local item at the next Irvine Valley Local Community Forum in the autumn.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the issue of Community Policing be considered as the local item at the next Irvine Valley Community Forum meeting; and
- (ii) that Strathclyde Police be invited to make a presentation on the subject.

SOCIAL INCLUSION

SOCIAL INCLUSION EARLY ACTION PLAN

7. There was submitted a report dated 22 May 2000 (circulated) by the Chief Executive which (a) took forward the discussion on this subject at the last meeting of the Local Committee; (b) provided the Local Committee with a summary background to Social Inclusion Activity within East Ayrshire; and (c) informed of the current position regarding the establishment of Social Inclusion priorities for the Irvine Valley and sought endorsement for the Action Plan covering the first six month period.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to support the Action Plan in principle and that written submissions by Community Representatives also be accepted;
- (ii) to request that monitoring reports on the development of the Action Plan be reported to alternate meetings of the Local Committee; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the content of the report.

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME

COMMUNITY GRANTS 2000/2001

8. There was submitted a report dated 24 May 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Corporate Services which outlined the financial position in respect of Community Grants for the financial year 2000/2001 together with a summary statement relative to outstanding applications for Community Grants received from local organisations.

It was agreed:-

(i) **Applications Approved (for the purpose specified in the application):-**

(a) Women (Including Lone Parents)

Kilmarnock Women's Aid - £240.00

(b) Disability

Stewarton Riding for Disabled Club - £322.00

(c) Older People

Darvel Old Folk's Trip Committee - £1,000.00

(d) Sport

Kilmarnock Amateur Weight Lifting Club - £380.00

(ii) **Application Deferred**

(a) Conservation/History

The Rotary Club of Loudoun - deferred to allow the Rotary Club to meet with Officers of the Council to discuss the project further, including the possible identification of alternative funding methods.

CORPORATE SERVICES

STREET NAMING - NEW DEVELOPMENT AT KEIR HARDIE CRESCENT AND CASTLEVIEW AVENUE GALSTON

9. The Administrative Officer reported that no consultation response had been received from Galston Community Council in respect of the naming of one street in a new development at Keir Hardie Crescent and Castleview Avenue, Galston.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that it be remitted to the Director of Corporate Services to finalise the street-naming arrangements following consultation with Galston Community Council and the local elected Member; and
- (ii) that the Head of Technical Services be advised of the outcome of the consultation exercise accordingly.

LOCAL ISSUES

10.1 LOCAL ISSUES PROGRAMME

There was submitted a report dated 15 May 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Corporate Services which provided information on the local issues raised and, where applicable, the timescale for reporting back to local committee.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Education submit an update on progress in respect of the new Galston Primary School to the next meeting of the Local Committee in September 2000;
- (ii) to support the practice of Community Representatives being able to raise local items on Committee Agendas for future discussion; and
- (iii) to note the existing list of local Committee item issues as detailed within the Appendix to the report.

10.2 NEW LOCAL ISSUES

Community Representatives were invited to raise any items of local interest for inclusion on a future Agenda.

No items were identified as potential local items which could become the subject of a future report to the Committee.

The meeting terminated at 1507 hours.