

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 13 MAY 1997 AT 1400 HRS IN KILMAURS COMMUNITY CENTRE, KILMAURS

PRESENT: Councillors Jim O'Neill, Bob Beattie and Kathleen Hall; Community Representatives Mr J McFadden JP, Mr W Muirhead, Mr H Hamilton, Mrs G Roberts, Mrs M Clark, Mr R Buchanan, Mrs C Bingham and Ms Emma McKay.

ATTENDING: Graham Short, Head of Quality Development (Education); Keith Orton, Principal Engineer (Roads and Transportation); Alan Hasson, Chief Librarian; Donald McVicar, Senior Administrative Officer; and Alex Hewetson, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Community Representative Ms Joyce Fulton.

CHAIR: Councillor Jim O'Neill, Chair.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

1. There was submitted and noted Minutes of Meeting of the Northern Area Local Committee held on 26 March 1997 (circulated).

COMMUNITY MEMBERS OF LOCAL COMMITTEES (Item 1, Page 2085)

2. There was submitted a report dated 15 April 1997 (circulated) by the Chief Executive advising the Local Committee of the position relative to the appointment of Community Members to the Local Committees of the Council as agreed by the Decentralisation Sub-Committee of the Policy and Resources Committee at its meeting of 15 April 1997 and suggesting a possible extension of initial appointments of Community Members, where appropriate, until 31 March 1998.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note that in implementing the Decentralisation Sub-Committee's decision the Director of Support Services would write to the undernoted organisations represented on the Northern Area Local Committee to confirm nominations for 1997/98 either in terms of the continued nomination of current representatives or, should they so desire, nomination of new representatives to serve on the Committee as Community Members and also to identify nominations for named substitutes, viz:-
 - (a) Stewarton and District Community Council;
 - (b) Fenwick Community Council;
 - (c) Dunlop and Lugton Community Council;
 - (d) Kilmaurs Community Council;
 - (e) Moscow and Waterside Community Council (representative to live in Ward 13);
 - (f) Elderly Representative - Nominated by Association for Retired People; Fenwick Senior Citizens; Stewarton Old Men's Cabin Committee;

Stewarton Old People's Welfare Association; Open Door Club; Kilmaurs Senior Citizens; and Dunlop Old People's Welfare Association;

- (g) Disabled Representative - Nominated by Kilmarnock Forum on Disability;
 - (h) Youth Representative - Nominated by pupils residing within the boundaries of the Northern Area Local Committee attending Stewarton Academy, Kilmarnock Academy and St Joseph's Academy;
 - (i) Community/Residents Association - Nominated by Fenwick Community Association; Kilmaurs Community Association; Lainshaw Residents Association; Waterside Community Association; Corsehill Residents Association; and Robertland Square Residents Association;
 - (j) Pre-5 Groups - Nominated by St Columba's Playgroup; Fenwick Playgroup; West Park Playgroup; Dunlop Playgroup; Nether Robertland Playgroup; Whiz Kids Playgroup; The Pavilion Playgroup; The Rainbow Playgroup; and
- (ii) to remit to the Director of Support Services, in consultation with the Director of Education, to arrange for the appointment of a youth representative to serve on the Northern Area Local Committee.

**NAMING OF STREETS BY LOCAL COMMITTEES -
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT ROWALLAN BUSINESS PARK, KILMARNOCK**

3. There was submitted a report dated 28 April 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services requesting that consideration be given to the naming of a street within a proposed development at Rowallan Business Park, Kilmarnock.

It was agreed:

- (i) that the name for the street at the proposed development at Rowallan Business Park, Kilmarnock be "Southcraig Avenue"; and
- (ii) that the Department of Contracting and Technical Services be advised accordingly.

DEVELOPING THE LAINSHAW AREA OF STEWARTON (Item 8, Page 1979)

4. There was submitted a report dated 13 May 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services on progress made in the development of the Lainshaw area of Stewarton.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note the issues identified by the Lainshaw Strategy Team at its first meeting held on 12 May 1997, detailed in Paragraph 3.2 of the report;
- (ii) to note that the Committee expressed concern on the uncertainty of the continuation of the Information and Advice Centre in Stewarton;
- (iii) to request that a representative from the Social Work Department attend the next meeting of the Committee to provide an update on the position regarding the aforementioned Information and Advice Centre in Stewarton;

- (iv) that the Chair of the Committee and relevant officials would meet before the next meetings of the Lainshaw Strategy Team and the Northern Area Local Committee to establish departmental roles for the development of the Lainshaw Strategy Team's objectives; and
- (v) that regular reports on progress by the Lainshaw Strategy Team would be submitted to this Committee.

REVIEW OF NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE 1996/97

5. The Committee considered a proposal by a Community Representative to produce a report on the achievements of the Northern Area Local Committee in its first year of operation.

It was agreed:

- (i) to request relevant Departments to provide the information necessary to produce the report to the Director of Support Services;
- (ii) to remit to the Director of Support Services to submit a composite report on the achievements of the Northern Area Local Committee to this Committee;
- (iii) that an annual report would be produced and submitted to the Committee's first meeting in the new cycle of meetings in future years; and
- (iv) to express appreciation to Ms Emma McKay, Youth Representative to the Northern Area Local Committee for her considerable contribution to the work of the Committee during 1996/97 and to wish her success in her studies at Durham University.

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

6. There was submitted a report dated 28 April 1997 (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, viz:-

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Grant Awarded</u>
Helping Hands	£148.00
St Marnock Playscheme (Enable)	£145.00
Kilmarnock & Loudoun Youth Forum	£200.00
Stewarton Guide Association	£700.00 (subject to planning permission and Building Warrant); and

- (ii) to continue consideration of a grant application by Our Lady of St Carmel Church to the next meeting of the Committee to enable a visit to the site of the proposed works by Community Representatives; Mr John McFadden, J.P; Mrs C Bingham and Mr Watson Muirhead.

ADDITIONAL ITEM

7. The Chair agreed that this item of urgent business be considered as an early decision was required.

Applicant

Waterside Community Association - Playscheme Grant

Grant Awarded

It was agreed to approve in principle a grant award of £950.00 being awarded to Waterside Community Association subject to:

- (a) the Director of Education being satisfied that any requirements in terms of the Children's Act were met;
- (b) consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair; and
- (c) the other members of the Committee being advised of the decision taken in respect of the above grant application.

The meeting terminated at 1521 hrs.