

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 14 MAY 1996 AT 1410 HRS
IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS,
LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Tommy Farrell, Drew McIntyre, John Knapp, Kim Nicoll, David Sneller and Robert Taylor.

ATTENDING: David Montgomery, Chief Executive; Margaret Burnell, Senior Depute Director of Education; Sue Angus, Depute Director of Education; Jennifer Wallace, Depute Director of Education; Bill Walkinshaw, Principal Administrative Officer; Frank Green, Principal Budget Officer; and James Lally, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Gordon McCredie, David Fulton, George Tumbull, Eric Ross and Eric Jackson.

CHAIR: Councillor Tommy Farrell, Chair.

**SCHEME OF SPECIFIC GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR
GAELIC EDUCATION 1996/97**

1. There was submitted a report dated 29 April 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Education informing of the existence and conditions of specific grant for Gaelic education and recommending continued support for several schemes previously funded by Strathclyde Regional Council.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note bids submitted by Strathclyde Regional Council to the Scottish Office in respect of the following specific grant for Gaelic Education projects on the basis that the Scottish Office would meet 75% of the disaggregated costs and East Ayrshire the remaining 25% as detailed, viz:-
 - (a) Adult Education Gaelic Initiative - Total disaggregated cost: £1,975 (Scottish Office contribution: £1,480; East Ayrshire contribution: £495);
 - (b) Pre-5 Provision - Total disaggregated cost: £3,428 (Scottish Office contribution: £2,570; East Ayrshire contribution: £858); and
 - (c) Commun Na Ghaidlig (CNAG) and Community Education Review Group (CERG) - Total disaggregated cost: £808 (Scottish Office contribution: £606; East Ayrshire contribution: £202);
- (ii) that the Director of Education submit a further report on the transport and

associated costs in respect of the projects identified for support to a future meeting of this Sub-Committee; and

- (iii) that no contribution be made to Sabhal Mor Ostaig, the Gaelic medium college in Skye, in respect of its production of television programmes and teaching materials as it was considered that East Ayrshire was unlikely to derive any benefit.

EDUCATION VOLUNTARY SECTOR GRANTS

2. There was submitted a report dated 10 May 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Education making recommendations in respect of the allocation of education voluntary sector grants for 1996/97.

It was agreed

- (i) to continue, to a special meeting of this Sub-Committee to be held prior to 18 June 1996, consideration of the grants detailed in Appendix I of the report in order to review the local decision making process prior to remitting such grants to Local Committees for consideration;
- (ii) to continue, to the above-mentioned meeting of this Sub-Committee, consideration of the application from Bellfield OSC;
- (iii) that authority be remitted to the Director of Education in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Education Committee to provide short-term funding to any organisations whose existence would be threatened as a result of the above decision to continue consideration of their applications;
- (iv) to approve the awards/action in respect of the organisations/applications as detailed in the Appendix to these Minutes; and
- (v) that the Director of Education monitor the effectiveness of the grants awarded and report thereon to a future meeting of this Sub-Committee.

PERSONNEL PROCEDURES IN THE LIGHT OF SCHOOL RATIONALISATION

3. There was submitted a report dated 9 May 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Education seeking approval of specific personnel procedures which would be implemented as a result of school rationalisation.

It was agreed:

- (i) to accept the proposals for personnel procedures relating to school rationalisation as detailed in the Appendix of the report;
- (ii) that a copy of the procedures be passed to appropriate Trades Unions for their information and any comment;
- (iii) that the report should be submitted for information to the next meeting of the Personnel Sub-Committee of the Policy and Resources Committee to be held

on 28 May 1996; and

- (iv) that the Director of Education implement the proposals as appropriate. Councillor Nicoll intimated her dissent to the above decision.

The meeting terminated at 1500 hrs.

APPENDIX

**GRANT APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED BY
THE COMMUNITY SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

1.1 Pre-5 voluntary sector grants - East Ayrshire wide

ORGANISATION/ APPLICANT	AWARD 1995/96 £	1996/97 REQUEST £	COMMENTS	1996/97 AWARD/ACTION £
Association of Strathclyde Link-Up Groups	1,500.00	124.00	Grant is requested to finance a conference for existing link-up groups.	Nil
Mobile Projects Association Scotland	1,000.00	500.00	60% funding - SWSG - grant requested for staff costs	100.00
Strathclyde Childminding Association	20,442.00	2494.00	SCMA works closely with Pre-5 Service in developing childminding services - grant requested for staff costs.	1,700.00
Strathclyde Early Years Voluntary Sector Forum	19,932.00	2,000.00	Organisation supports service provision in the voluntary sector. Grant requested for staff costs	1,700.00
Strathclyde Pre-School Play Association	182,394.00	10,464.00	Organisation supports playgroup development. Grant requested for staff costs	6,800.00

2. Voluntary sector grants - (former Category A & C) East Ayrshire wide

GROUP	95/96 AWARD	96/97 REQUEST £	COMMENT	1996/97 AWARD/ACTION £
Islamic Centre	NIL	12,750.00	Discussion re 'in kind' ie accommodation	NIL
KULOC	NIL	16,959.00		Refer to language and culture line; further discussion with CES
K&L Unemployed Centre	cat A 22500) K&LDC - 27412)	63,664.00	Interim award 21213 made 3.4.96 area covered K&L and Cumnock	21,213.00
Ayrshire Youth Advisory Council	2,100.00	1,470.00		1,000.00
The Girl's Brigade	NIL	1,800.00		1,000.00
Ayrshire Area Scout Council	NIL	2,200.00		1,000.00
Ayrshire South Guide Association	NIL	2,450.00		1,000.00

2.1 Voluntary sector - (former Category A) grants with benefits to East Ayrshire

APPLICANT	1996/97 REQUEST	COMMENTS	1996/97 AWARD/ACTION £
Dyslexia Scotwest	90.00	Provides information and support work to dyslexics, families and professionals	50.00
Fablevision	541.00	Minimal or no service targeted to East Ayrshire	NIL
Glasgow & SW Scotland Fedn. of Boys and Girls Clubs	150.00	Organisation provides focal point and generated activities for local clubs. A number of East Ayrshire clubs are affiliated.	NIL
Ocean Youth Club	790.00	Targets young people from designated areas; Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme - limited nos due to nature of activity.	500.00

APPLICANT	1996/97 REQUEST	COMMENTS	1996/97 AWARD/ACTION £
One Plus	812.00	One Plus has been involved in a wide range of activities in support of lone periods. This includes partnership work on job access and training and economic regeneration	400.00
Parkinson's Disease Society	346.00	Project provides support to sufferers of Parkinson's Disease, collates information and promotes research	NIL
Scottish Association of Sign Language Interpreters	432.00	95/96 grant used for training and conferences. Some reserves held. Provision of interpreters	NIL
Scottish Community Education Council	1,190.00	SCEC is active in a wide range of adult education and youth work initiatives in conjunction with fieldworkers	1,012.00
University of Glasgow	6,306.00	Level of service targeted specifically on Ayrshire was reviewed in 95/96 to 92/93 levels. Access courses are promoted as is the Pre-University Summer School which has uptake by East Ayrshire pupils.	Defer for further discussion.
Venture Scotland	2,000.00	Some uptake in East Ayrshire of outdoor based activities	NIL
West of Scotland National Union of Students	2,268.00	Direct support by FE students is now the responsibility of FE colleges which are funded via SOEID.	Defer - pending further discussion.
Woodcraft Fold	3,126.00	This organisation targets social education activities to young people in 6-20 years age groups. Minimal service level in East Ayrshire to date although new activities are in the planning stages. Has worked in Apts in Shortlees, Riccarton and Dalmellington	Defer pending further discussion

APPLICANT	1996/97 REQUEST	COMMENTS	1996/97 AWARD/ACTION £
Workers Education Association	40,303.00	Services targeted upon East Ayrshire have been minimal (3 courses in 95). A profitable partnership could be developed in future, but funding at present should reflect current activity rates.	Defer pending discussion
The Scottish Youth Theatre	175.00	SYT provides a national focus for young people. Main activities are based in Glasgow	NIL
SCRC - Community voice	175.00	The Community Voice provides a news and information focus from a multicultural and anti-racist standpoint. Taken up by Asian and Chinese communities in East Ayrshire	NIL - refer to language and culture line.
SENSE - Scotland	12,664.00	Supports deaf, blind and multiply impaired children and families. Currently supports two clients in East Ayrshire. Main activity is focused in Glasgow and North Lanarkshire.	Defer pending discussion.
Scottish Crusaders	400.00	New applicant - Christian group seeking to recruit young people and offer alternative youth work. Promotes activities and holidays	NIL
Scottish Jewish Archives Centre	2,000.00	Minimal or no service targeted at East Ayrshire	NIL
Scottish Mask and Puppet Centre	500.00	Duplicate application	NIL
Scottish National Association of Youth Theatre	150.00	Minimal or no service targeted to East Ayrshire	NIL
Scottish Refugee Council	788.00	Provides support advice and advocacy services to refugees living in Scotland. Some clients currently living within East Ayrshire	Defer pending discussion with other Departments with a view to pursuing a generic approach and reporting thereon to the Policy and Resources Committee.

APPLICANT	1996/97 REQUEST	COMMENTS	1996/97 AWARD/ACTION £
St Andrew's Ambulance Association	818.00	Significant financial reserves held. There is a growth in youth work by the organisation	NIL
Strathclyde Chapter of Credit Unions	1,070.00	SCCU provides a service throughout Strathclyde. Emphasis is on financial welfare rather than education	NIL - refer to development services
Strathclyde Federation of YMCAs	875.00	Activity within East Ayrshire is limited to Kilmarnock. The federation made no allocation to Kilmarnock in 95/96 from block grant	NIL
Strathclyde Youth Clubs Association	672.00	A small number of East Ayrshire clubs are affiliated to SYCA. SYCA provides a range of services including information and insurance. SYCA also co-ordinates joint activities and competitions,	Defer pending discussion.
Scottish Standing Conference of Voluntary Youth Organisations	150.00	SSCVYO offers support, networking and training to a wide range of voluntary youth organisations. It consistently meets its targets. Many of the voluntary youth organisations within East Ayrshire are affiliated to SSCVYO	150.00
Association for Fair Play in Scotland	500.00	Grant finances training for volunteers. Some involvement in East Ayrshire - room for growth	NIL
Childcare for Adult Education	193.00	Provides information on childcare facilities associated with adult education opportunities. Duplication of other information sources. limited East Ayrshire references	NIL
Commun an Luchd-ionraschaidh Ltd	400.00	CH provides information on Gaelic learning opportunities and promotes Gaelic language. Small levels of activity in East Ayrshire	NIL
LEAD Scotland	663.00	Educational support for adults with physical and/or sensory impairment	560.00

APPLICANT	1996/97 REQUEST	COMMENTS	1996/97 AWARD/ACTION £
Iona Community	495.00	Small involvement by East Ayrshire groups in Iona community.	NIL

3. Voluntary sector (former language and culture) grants

APPLICANT	1996/97 REQUEST	COMMENTS	1996/97 AWARD/ACTION £
National Youth Orchestra of Scotland	3,000.00	NYOS provides a developmental focus for young musicians	100.00 - seek clarification on activity within East Ayrshire
Scottish Parent Teacher Council	2,308.00	Application relates to core costs of organisation. SPTC holds significant cash reserves	NIL
TAG Theatre Company	10,350.00	Support for workshop activities	NIL
Scottish Mask & Puppet Theatre	575.00	Support for workshops activities/training. Emphasis on SEN.	NIL
Jamiat Ittihad-UI-Muslimin (Central Mosque)	1,500.00	A range of activities are provided via the Jamiat. This facility is used by the Muslim community in East Ayrshire in the absence of extensive local facilities.	150.00
JULOC	16,959.00	Financial assistance sought toward development	3,000.00 - Director of Education to liaise with Director of Social Work and report on activities of this organisation to a future meeting of the Community Sub Committee
Fablevision	541.00	Minimal or no service level targeted to East Ayrshire	NIL

APPLICANT	1996/97 REQUEST	COMMENTS	1996/97 AWARD/ACTION £
Glasgow Chinese Christian Church Junior School	2,000.00	Provision of language classes for Chinese community. Cash in hand	NIL
New Lanark Conservation Trust	31,355.00	Activities for school groups	NIL
The Scottish Ballet	3,750.00	Support for workshop activities	300.00 - seek clarification on activity within East Ayrshire
Kilmarnock Cultural Music Group - covers Kilmarnock, Stewarton, Galston, Newmilns	39,888.00	70 participants in multi-lateral exchange with Portugal, France, Spain, Italy, Ireland	1,000.00
Scottish Opera	2,750.00	Support for workshop activities	300.00 - seek clarification on activity within East Ayrshire
Glasgow Zoo	2,000.00	Activities on an opt-in-basis for schools. No significant involvement by East Ayrshire schools.	NIL
National Trust for Scotland Culzean Country Park	2,700.00	Activities for school groups	NIL
David Livingstone Memorial Centre	3,100.00	School activities on opt-in-basis. No significant involvement by East Ayrshire schools	NIL
SCRC - Community Voice	175.00	The Community Voice provides a news and information focus from a multi-cultural and anti-racist standpoint. It is taken up by Asian and Chinese communities in East Ayrshire	175.00
Royal Scottish National Orchestra		Project support to schools	300.00 - seek clarification on activity within East Ayrshire

APPLICANT	1996/97 REQUEST	COMMENTS	1996/97 AWARD/ACTION £
School Parents Information Network		Network support for parents	50.00
Scots Language Resource Centre		New organisation. Not yet proven - significant cash reserves	NIL
Scottish Development Education Centre		Subscription for development materials and literature	50.00
Strathclyde Schools Football Association		Finance required to support football development/tournament costs.	Defer pending discussion
Scottish Council for Educational Technology		Development support for new technology	500.00