

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**KILMARNOCK NORTH LOCAL COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12 MAY 1998 AT 1400 HOURS IN ONTHANK COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTRE, KIRKTON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors McIntyre (Chair), McCredie, Knapp and Coffey; Community Representatives Janet Smith, Archie McKenzie, Matt Donnelly, Hugh Stirling and Kate Clannachan.

ATTENDING: Alison Smith, Principal Officer, Licensing & Registration; Derek Spence, Community Recreation Officer, Fiona Dickson, Play Development Officer, Community Services; Gerald Cummins, Road Safety Officer and Chris Trevor, Planning Officer, Development Services; Gerry Darroch, Area Housing Manager; Helen McGee, Assistant Divisional Officer, Social Work; Bill Walkinshaw, Principal Administrative Officer; and Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Arlene Lindsay, William Denim and Beryl Graham.

CHAIR: Councillor Drew McIntyre, Chair.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. There was submitted for information and noted, minutes of meeting held on 31 March 1998.
 - (i) **Dog Fouling Scheme (Item 1, Page 3184)** - noted that the Director of Community Services would advise Councillor Coffey of the commencement date for the Scheme.

DECENTRALISATION ISSUES**RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS (Item 13, Page 2973)**

2. There was submitted a report dated 30 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services which advised of the submission of new nominations for community membership by the relevant organisations.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the nominations for community membership and substitutes as detailed below to be appointed on an individual basis for a period of 1 year from 1 April 1998 until 31 March 1999;

Community Organisation Represented	Community Representative	Substitute Community Representative
Northwest Kilmarnock Community Council	Beryl Graham	-
Dean Community Council	Hugh Stirling	-
New Farm Loch Community Council	Kate Clannachan	-
Kilmarnock Forum on Disability	William Denim	Alan Harley

Northwest Youth Project	Kilmarnock	Arlene Lindsay	-
Northwest Drugs Project	Kilmarnock	Archie McKenzie	-
North Forum	Kilmarnock Elderly	Janet Smith	Nora McCabe
Scottish Homes Association	Tenants	Matt Donnelly	-
New Farm Loch Community Council		Maureen Brown	-
New Farm Loch Community Council		Nan Gerrard	-

and

- (ii) to remit to the Director of Support Services to make such arrangements as might be necessary to facilitate the submission of outstanding nominations for substitute community representatives.

LOCAL COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

3. There was submitted a report dated 6 May 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services which outlined the financial position in respect of applications for grants received in respect of the financial year 1998/99 together with a summary statement relating to outstanding applications for community grants received from local organisations.

The Committee considered the undernoted applications and took the following decisions:-

Janet Smith left prior to consideration of Baptist Singers' application and came back during consideration of Playdays' application.

- (i) **Applications Approved** (for the purpose specified on the application), viz:-

- (a) Community Council's

New Farm Loch Community Council - £980

The Committee agreed to approve the above grant in principle subject to the Group providing appropriate insurance and security arrangements for storage of the equipment to the satisfaction of the Director of Support Services in consultation with the Chair.

- (b) Disabilities

Contact PHAB Club - £35

St Marnock Playscheme (ENABLE) - £300

- (c) Leisure

Onthank Men's Club - £450

- (d) Women (including Lone Parents)

Evergreen Club - £500

(ii) **Applications continued for further information**(a) Information and Advice

Titchfield Centre Users Group - continued pending the outcome of a definitive policy statement regarding the suitability of requests for the payment of rent for premises being met from the Community Grants Scheme.

(b) Music

Kilmarnock Aeolian Male Voice Choir - continued pending the outcome of a definitive policy statement regarding the suitability of requests for the payment of rent for premises being met from the Community Grants Scheme.

Kilmarnock Baptist Singers - continued to establish activities of the Group within Kilmarnock South area and elsewhere.

(c) Pre-5s

Playdays Playgroup - continued pending the outcome of a definitive policy statement regarding the suitability of requests for the payment of rent for premises being met from the Community Grants Scheme.

(d) Older People

Opportunities in Retirement (Kilmarnock) - continued for further information.

(iii) **Applications Refused**(a) Accident/Crime Prevention

Kilmarnock Town Centre Radio Link Association - Refused on the grounds that the Committee considered that it was not appropriate to use Community Grant funding to provide the facility as proposed under the application.

COMMUNITY SERVICES**COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM - INVITATION TO NOMINATE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE LOCAL COMMITTEE AREA**

4. There was submitted a report dated 30 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services advising of the Council's intention to institute a Community Safety Forum and to invite the Committee to nominate a Representative to serve on it.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Federation of Community Groups of Kilmarnock North submit as soon as possible nominations for a representative to serve on the Community Safety Forum to the Director of Support Services; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the report.

NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN 1998 - PROGRESS REPORT

5. There was submitted a report dated 30 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised of the work carried out within East Ayrshire during National Spring Clean 1998.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the report; and
- (ii) to support the Council's target of increasing the number of events/projects in 1999.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

COMMUNITY FACILITIES AT NEW FARM LOCH (Item 6, Page 2807)

6. There was submitted a joint report dated 21 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services and the Director of Community Services which indicated the results of further works in respect of health facilities, the letting of the New Farm Community Centre and children's play and also to advise of progress on the East Ayrshire Letting and Housing Plans.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that Ayrshire and Arran Health Board's Primary Care Directorate be reminded of the Committee's concerns regarding health at New Farm Loch including the provision of a local pharmacy and to request the Directorate to take these concerns into account in its discussions with the Community Health Services Trust on the Trust's Implementation Plan;
- (ii) that the Federation of Community Groups of Kilmarnock North nominate two Community Representatives to be involved in discussions with the New Farm Loch Community Centre Management Committee to maximise use of day time lets at the Community Centre, Monday to Fridays and advise the Director of Support Services accordingly as soon as possible;
- (iii) to note that the Community Services Department would examine ways of improving information to groups regarding the availability of indoor play provision and would circulate the findings of the Children's Play Survey to the Out of School Care Group, the Children Act Implementation Steering Group, the Strategy for Young People Working Group and to the Primary Schools, youth and playgroups involved in the survey;
- (iv) to note that the lack of Out of School Care provision highlighted in the report, would be addressed by the Council's Working Group on the National Childcare Strategy; and
- (vi) to note progress made on the East Ayrshire Letting and Housing Plans and that these plans would be submitted to the Local Committee in due course.

ROAD SAFETY PLAN

7. There was submitted a report dated 30 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services which invited the Committee to comment on the issues raised on the draft Road Safety Plan for East Ayrshire.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the terms of the report; and
- (ii) that the Federation of Community Groups of Kilmarnock North advise the Director of Support Services by 31 July 1998 on any views they may have on the Draft Road Safety Plan.

Community Representative Kate Clannachan left the meeting during discussion of this item and Councillor McCredie left the meeting following the decision.

HOUSING

PROBLEM HOUSE AREAS (Item 8, Page 2971)

8. There was submitted a report dated 28 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Housing which advised of the outcome of a postal survey of Council tenants in the flatted accommodation at 23 - 29 Amlaird Road, Onthank, Kilmarnock.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the contents of the report; and
- (ii) that the Director of Housing undertake a postal survey of Council tenants in the flatted accommodation at Meiklewood Road, Onthank, Kilmarnock.

LONGPARK STRATEGY (Item 9, Page 2972)

9. There was submitted a report dated 28 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Housing which advised of the outcome of a postal survey of Council tenants in Longpark estate.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the contents of the report;
- (ii) to recommend that the Director of Support Services arrange a special joint meeting with the Central Local Committee to discuss the implications of the Longpark Strategy; and
- (iii) that the Director of Housing prepare a report for consideration at the joint meeting covering the issues raised by community representatives concerning implications for residents under the Longpark Strategy.

The meeting terminated at 1534 hours.