

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 7 FEBRUARY 1997 AT 1530 HOURS  
IN THE RECEPTION ROOM, GRAND HALL, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Gordon Cree, Irene Reeves, Douglas Reid, Wilma Doyle and Ronald Brailsford; and Community Representatives Mrs Betty Mabon, Mrs Jean Dunlop, Mrs Gertrude Kelly, Mr Robert Wilson, Mr Charles Calman, Mr John Donaldson and Mr Andrew McCann.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Inspector Angus Cochrane.

**ATTENDING:** Brian Weadon, Area Engineer (Roads); Adrian Browne, Planning Officer; Diane McPherson, Planning Officer; Janie Allen, Principal Officer (Pre-Fives); Joe Donnelly, Principal Officer (Trading Standards); Tom Harris, Public Relations Officer; Donald McVicar, Senior Administrative Officer; George Fraser, Senior Policy Adviser; Gwen Barker, Social Work Service Manager; Tom Allan, Technical Officer (Roads); and Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer.

**APOLOGIES:** Community Representative Canon Kenneth Stephen.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Gordon Cree, Chair.

**MEMBERSHIP OF EAST AYRSHIRE ACCIDENT PREVENTION COMMITTEE  
(Item 4, Page 1462)**

1. There was submitted a report dated 21 January 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services advising of the agreed membership structure of the East Ayrshire Accident Prevention Committee.

It was agreed to nominate Councillor Ronald Brailsford to the East Ayrshire Accident Prevention Committee.

**DRAFT DECENTRALISATION SCHEME (Item 5, Page 1623)**

2. There was submitted a report dated 16 January 1997 (circulated) by the Chief Executive advising of the content of the Draft Scheme for Decentralisation, the steps taken to consult on the Draft Scheme, and seeking comment on the Scheme.

It was agreed to support the proposals contained within the Draft Decentralisation Scheme.

**BUSINESS GRANTS AND LOAN SCHEMES STATUS REPORT  
(Item 5, Page 1462)**

3. There was submitted a report dated 20 January 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services informing of the detailed breakdown of the companies given grant and loan support in the period 1 April 1996 to 31 December 1996.

It was agreed to note the contents of the report.

**IDENTIFICATION OF LOCAL RESIDENTIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT  
SITES (Item 6, Page 1462)**

4. There was submitted a report dated 24 January 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services informing of the set of criteria used in the selection of sites for future housing and industrial developments, and requesting the Committee to identify any sites located within the Local Committee area which were considered to have potential residential or industrial use.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the framework for the identification of Local Plan sites for housing and industry in terms of Sections 3 and 4 and Appendix I of the report;
- (ii) that an informal briefing session be arranged for Members of the Committee with Officers of the Planning and Building Control Division of Development Services, to discuss land availability for housing and industry within the Kilmarnock Central area; and
- (iii) to note that the site identified in the Draft Kilmarnock and Loudoun Local Plan to the north of Woodlea Court, Kilmarnock, for special needs housing, would also be discussed at the informal briefing session.

**ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION - AMENDMENTS TO THE 1996/97  
PROGRAMME OF STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AND FOOTWAYS  
(Item 4.2, Page 1700)**

5. There was submitted a report dated 17 January 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services advising of amendments to the 1996/97 Roads and Footways Structural Maintenance Programme approved by the Development Services Committee on 23 January 1997.

It was agreed to note the amendments in respect of the postponement of carriageway re-surfacing at Dundonald Road (No. 151/Galirgside) (£32,000) and footways work at Annandale Crescent (odd numbers side), Crosshouse (£8,250).

**1997/98 PROGRAMME OF STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AND  
FOOTWAYS (Item 4.1, Page 1700)**

6. There was submitted a report dated 20 January 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services advising of the 1997/98 Roads and Footways Maintenance Programme for “inescapable” schemes approved by the Development Services Committee on 23 January 1997, and seeking approval of the “highly desirable” schemes for structural maintenance of footways, or “desirable” options.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the 1997/98 Roads and Footways Structural Maintenance Programmes for “inescapable” schemes approved by the Development Services Committee; and
- (ii) to approve the “highly desirable” schemes for structural maintenance of footways.

**PROPOSED ENHANCEMENT SCHEME FOR THE ANDREW FISHER MEMORIAL  
GARDEN, CROSSHOUSE (Item 8, Page 1548)**

7. There was submitted a report dated 14 January 1997 (circulated) by the Head of Planning and Building Control on progress made towards the preparation of an

environmental enhancement scheme for the Andrew Fisher Memorial Garden, Crosshouse.

It was agreed to note the funding contribution of £20,000 towards this project, as approved by the Development Services Committee on 28 November 1996.

#### **FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF PRE-FIVE PROVISION (Item 5, Page 1679)**

8. There was submitted a report dated 10 January 1997 by the Director of Education on further development of the pre-five service in the current year.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the progress being made in the delivery of pre-school education in East Ayrshire;
- (ii) to note the expansion of the service in the Northern Area and in Kilmarnock Central; and
- (iii) to note that the expansion of the service was based upon the existing Council policy on income generation.

#### **PARKING DIFFICULTIES - HOLEHOUSE ROAD, WILSON AVENUE AND DE WALDEN TERRACE, KILMARNOCK**

9. There was submitted a report dated 28 January 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services on the outcome of a meeting held to discuss parking difficulties experienced by residents living near Kilmarnock College.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that a report on further developments in respect of this matter be submitted by the Director of Support Services to the Local Committee in due course; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

#### **PUBLICITY FOR LOCAL COMMITTEES AND COMMUNITY FORUM MEETINGS**

10. There was submitted a report dated 29 January 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services on the draft publicity plan for Local Committees and Community Forum meetings, and seeking comments on arrangements for the Kilmarnock Central area in particular.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the general publicity plan contained within the report and detailed in Sections 4.0 and 5.0; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

#### **KILMARNOCK CENTRAL COMMUNITY FORUM: FEBRUARY MEETING (Item 6.2, Page 1624)**

11. It was agreed to change the venue of the February meeting from Kilmarnock Academy to Council Headquarters, in order to ensure adequate access to the meeting by local residents with a disability.

**GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS: COMMUNITY GRANTS  
(Item 7.1, Page 1624)**

12. There was submitted a report dated 3 February 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services advising of applications by Community Groups for Community Grants for the period 14 December 1996 to 7 February 1997.

The Committee took the following decisions:-

**(i) Applications Approved (For the purpose specified on the application)**

*(a) Youth Groups*

21st Ayrshire Scout Group - £1,500.

**(ii) Applications Continued for Further Information**

*(a) Miscellaneous*

Crosshouse Parish Church.

**ADDITIONAL ITEM**

**COMMUNITY GRANT - STRATHCLYDE POLICE COMMUNITY  
POLICING BRANCH (Item 7.1(i), Page 1624)**

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

The Administrative Officer reported on a further development in respect of a grant application previously submitted by the Community Policing Branch of Strathclyde Police.

Following further information it had been identified that it would be more appropriate for this funding request to be considered by the Department of Education and, as a result, the Committee's Community Grant Budget for 1996/97 would not now be reduced by £60.00.

It was agreed that the source of funding in respect of the application from the Community Policing Branch of Strathclyde Police be provided by the Department of Education and that the Committee's Capital Budget for 1996/97 be not reduced by £60.00.

The meeting terminated at 1515 hours.