

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL****KILMARNOCK NORTH LOCAL COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 1999 AT 1400 HOURS IN NEW FARM LOCH COMMUNITY CENTRE, 2A FRASER WALK, KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Drew McIntyre (Chair), Daniel Coffey and John Weir and Community Representatives Matt Donnelly, Beryl Graham, Arlene Lindsay, Hugh Stirling, Mary Cameron, Archibald Pryce, Maureen Brown, Archie McKenzie, Janet Smith, Lindsay Cargill and Substitutes Jim Cameron and Nora McCabe.

**ATTENDING:** Paul McVey, Area Housing Manager; Chris Trevor, Planning Officer, Development Services; Hugh Mitchell, Police Liaison Officer; Anne Jackson, Principal Community Education Officer, Education; Alison Smith, Principal Officer (Licensing and Community Safety), Community Services; Matt Glover, Senior Engineer (Roads); Eddie Fraser, Team Leader, Social Work; Julie Armstrong, Senior Administrative Officer; and Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer.

**ALSO ATTENDING:** Superintendent Campbell, Strathclyde Police.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor William Coffey.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Drew McIntyre, Chair.

**CHAIR'S REMARKS**

1. The Chair agreed in terms of Standing Order 15.1 that the report on the Northwest Community Conference be taken as Item 5.

**ADJOURNMENT**

2. 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**

3. The meeting reconvened at 1410 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives and Officers present and in attendance.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

4. There was submitted for information and noted, minutes of meeting held on 17 August 1999 (circulated).

**4.1 MATTERS ARISING**

**Recruitment of Community Representatives 1999/2000 (Item 6, Page 196, 99/02)** - The Chair introduced and it was agreed that Lindsay Cargill from the Northwest Youth Project serve as a Young Person Representative on the Local Committee until 31 March 2000.

## EDUCATION

### NORTHWEST COMMUNITY CONFERENCE (Item 4.1, Page 195, 99/02)

5. There was submitted a report dated 13 September 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Education which informed of the outcome of discussions at the Community Conference on Sunday 12 September 1999 in Onthank Community Education Centre.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Education seek further clarification of the bids for funding in consultation with young people; and
- (ii) to otherwise note the report.

### LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME 1999/2000

6. There was submitted a report dated 9 September 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Corporate Services which outlined the financial position in respect of community grants for the financial year 1999/2000 together with a summary statement relative to outstanding applications for community grants received from local organisations.

It was agreed:-

**Applications Approved** (for the purpose as specified in the application), viz:-

(a) Leisure Activities

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| Jam Street Dancers  | - | £640   |
| Knockinlaw Disco Dancers                                  | - | £1,200 |
| The Social Activities Committee<br>of St Matthew's Church | - | £300   |

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

### "OPERATION SPOTLIGHT"

7. There was submitted a report dated 16 September 1999 (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 6 week period and which advised of forthcoming initiatives.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that Community Representatives identify any local problems which may be addressed by a "Spotlight" operation by contacting the Police Liaison Officer;
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

## DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

### LONGPARK IMPROVEMENTS (Item 12, Page 199, 99/02)

8. There was submitted a report dated 16 September 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services which reported on the outcome of a public meeting held on

19 August 1999 at Longpark Community Centre to discuss the proposed improvements at Longpark.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the proceedings at the public meeting and the further work on the proposals arising from it; and
- (ii) that the Director of Development Services submit further reports on progress to future meetings.

#### **FACILITIES FOR THE DISABLED (Item 13, Page 199, 99/02)**

9. There was submitted a report dated 10 September 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services which advised of the facilities provided by the Roads and Transportation Division to meet the needs of disabled.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to request that the Director of Development Service examine the feasibility of reinstating a former disabled parking bay which had been provided directly outside the Council offices in John Dickie Street prior to implementation of the Kilmarnock Town Centre Improvement Scheme; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

#### **HOMES AND TECHNICAL SERVICES**

##### **ONTHANK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION - REQUEST FOR GRANT**

10. There was submitted a report dated 14 September 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Homes and Technical Services which advised of an application for an annual operating grant by Onthank Residents' Association.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that the Onthank Residents' Association request for an operating grant of £305.25 would be met from the Housing Revenue Account; and
- (ii) to request the Director of Homes and Technical Services to effect the transfer of the operating grant to the Onthank Residents' Association.

#### **HOUSING NEEDS ANALYSIS**

11. There was submitted and noted a report dated 14 September 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Housing and Technical Services which informed of the results of the housing needs survey.

#### **LOCAL ITEMS**

12. The Administrative Officer reported and it was noted that Community Representatives had been invited to raise any local items of interest for inclusion on a future agenda.

#### **KILMARNOCK NORTH COMMUNITY FORUM**

13. The Administrative Officer reported and it was noted that the next Kilmarnock North Community Forum would take place on Wednesday 27 October 1999 at 1900 hours

in Onthank Community Education Centre. The Council item would be the millennium and the local item would be delays in the allocation of property and implications of long-term vacant properties.

The meeting terminated at 1530 hours.