

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK NORTH LOCAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 1997 AT 1400 HOURS IN THE ONTHANK COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTRE, KIRKTON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Drew McIntyre, John Knapp and Community Members Arlene Lindsay, William Denim, Beryl Graham, Billy Sullivan, Matt Donnelly, Hugh Stirling.

ATTENDING: Allison Smith, Principal Officer, Registration and Licensing; Jim Kane, Chief Engineer, Roads; Irene Townson, Depute Clerk (Licensing Board); May Martindale, Divisional Manager (North), Social Work; Helen Fulton, and Margaret Phelps, Social Work, Service Officers; Bill Walkinshaw, Principal Administrative Officer; Christine Baillie, and Lesley-Ann Wallace, Administrative Assistants.

ALSO ATTENDING: Inspector Callan McCreath, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Daniel Coffey, Gordon McCredie, Janet Smith and Sister Barbara Carroll.

CHAIR: Councillor Andrew McIntyre, Chair.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. There was submitted for information and noted minutes of meeting held on Thursday 12 June 1997 (circulated).

The Committee also noted that Ronnie Caldwell, newly appointed community member has tendered his resignation due to work commitments

NAMING OF STREETS BY LOCAL COMMITTEES - PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT GLASGOW ROAD, KILMARNOCK

2. There was submitted a report dated 27 August 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services requesting the Committee to consider the naming of one street within the development at Glasgow Road, Kilmarnock.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the street be named Grouger Gardens within the proposed development at Glasgow Road, Kilmarnock; and
- (ii) that the Head of Contracting and Technical Services be advised accordingly.

LICENSING BOARD REGULATIONS, BYLAWS AND GUIDELINES (Item 4, page 1950)

3. There was submitted a report dated 24 June 1997 (circulated) by the Clerk to the Licensing Board seeking comments from the Local Committee to enable the Licensing Board to carry out a review of its Regulations, Bylaws and Guidelines for extended hours.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the decision of the Licensing Board with regard to Regulations, Bylaws and Guidelines for extended hours; and
- (ii) to note the thanks of the Licensing Board for the Committee's participation in the review process.

**CLOSED CIRCUIT TV (CCTV) CHALLENGE COMPETITION
1998/98 (Item 5, page 2406)**

4. There was submitted a report dated 26 June 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services on the Council's proposals to increase the number of Closed Circuit Television Projects in East Ayrshire, and inviting the Committee to identify areas where it was felt that the introduction of CCTV would be of assistance when community safety was considered.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Federation of Community Groups of Kilmarnock North would identify areas where it felt the introduction of CCTV would be of assistance when community safety was considered and forward their suggestions to the Head of Administration; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the report.

**ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM - INVITATION TO NOMINATE A REPRESENTATIVE
FROM THE LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE (Item 8, page 2407)**

5. There was submitted a report dated 18 June 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services on the Council's intention to institute an Environmental Forum and invited the committee to nominate a Representative to serve on it.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Federation of Community Groups of Kilmarnock North would nominate a Representative to serve on the Environmental Forum and forward nominations to the Head of Administration; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the report.

**NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN AND ENVIRONMENT
WEEKS 1997 (Item 9, page 2407)**

6. There was submitted a report dated 9 July 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services on the National Spring Clean and Environment Week events undertaken locally in 1997

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Federation of Community Groups of Kilmarnock North would identify local individuals, groups and organisations who would be willing to work with the Council in identifying and resolving environmental problems and forward the information to the Head of Administration; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the report.

**REPLACEMENT OF TOWN AND VILLAGE SIGNS IN
EAST AYRSHIRE (Item 11, page 2256)**

7. There was submitted a report dated 2 September 1997 by the Director of Development Services to consult with the Committee on the message to be incorporated on the bottom line of the proposed town and village signs within its areas and to inform the Committee of suggestions by Kilmarnock Central and Kilmarnock South Local Committees.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Federation of Community Groups of Kilmarnock North consider the suggested road safety messages from the Kilmarnock Central/South Local Committees, and, thereafter, forward their suggestions for the Kilmarnock North Area to the Director of Development Services in order that he could arrange a meeting between representatives of Kilmarnock North/Central/South Local Committees to agree a consensus for Town and Village Signs.

CAR PARKING - KILMARNOCK TOWN CENTRE (Item 13, page 1894)

8. There was submitted a report dated 8 August 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services on (a) an East Ayrshire Order for charging car parks and, within the Order, increasing the number of car parks for which charges were made; (b) the designation of a number of car parks for short stay only; and (c) the desirability of charging for on-street parking in central Kilmarnock with provision for residents parking.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that a new Traffic Regulation Order was being prepared for East Ayrshire Council car parks in Kilmarnock and that the number of car parks where charges were levied would be increased;
- (ii) to endorse the proposal that the number of car parks within the central area would be designated for short stay parking; and
- (iii) to support the desirability of extending the controls on on-street parking in and around Kilmarnock town centre.

REVIEW OF OPERATIONAL BOUNDARIES (Item 13, page 2360)

9. There was submitted a report dated 2 September 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Social Work which advised the Committee of changes in the operational areas of the Social Work Department which enabled harmonisation with Local Committee areas and efficient operations.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the adjustments in the Social Work operational boundaries in terms of the creation of Division A (encompassing Northern Area Local Committee, Kilmarnock North Local Committee, Kilmarnock Central Local Committee and Kilmarnock South Local Committee) and Division B (encompassing Irvine Valley Local Committee, Cumnock Area Local Committee and Doon Valley Local Committee) and;
- (ii) to note that the Social Work Lead Officer for the Kilmarnock North Local Committee would be Helen McGee, Assistant Divisional Manager within the Social Work Department.

COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES PURCHASING INTENTIONS 1997/98 AND PREPARATIONS FOR COMMUNITY CARE PLAN (Item 8, page 2135)

10. There was submitted a report dated 28 August 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Social Work which informed the Committee of the Councils Community Care purchasing intentions 1997/98 as set out in appendix 1 of the report and to advise the Committee of the altered timescale for the production of Community Care Plans and consequential revision of the Consultation Process.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Social Work consult with the Local Committee throughout the development of the Community Care Plan; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the contents of this report.

KILMARNOCK NORTH COMMUNITY FORUM - 4 SEPTEMBER 1997

11. There was submitted a report dated 8 September 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services advising the Committee of the outcome of the Kilmarnock North Community Forum which had been held on Thursday 4 September 1997 within the Onthank Community Education Centre and seeking suggestions for the Local item for the next Forum to be held later in the year.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Federation of Community Groups of Kilmarnock North provide suggestions for consideration for the local Forum to be held on Thursday 20 November 1997; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the report.

BUS SERVICES TO ONTHANK AFFECTED BY YOUTH DISTURBANCES (Item 4, page 2107)

12. Arising from discussion of the previous item Beryl Graham advised the Committee that Stagecoach had withdrawn their bus service on Friday and Saturday nights (after 7pm) as a result of youth disturbances.

This problem had arisen earlier in the year and a meeting had taken place on 6 February 1997 where it had been agreed that the Youth Outreach Project would assist in alleviating the problem. The conclusion of that meeting recognised that if the problem did flare up again, it would be considered helpful if the various parties could meet to discuss the matter further to seek a further solution.

It was agreed that the Director of Support Services arrange a further meeting with Stagecoach and other relevant parties to further discuss the matter.

LOCAL COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

13. There was submitted a report dated 5 August 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services which advised of the sum available for community grants which included an extra allocation.

The Committee took the following decisions:-

APPLICATIONS APPROVED (for the purpose specified on the application), viz:-

(a) Leisure

Kilmarnock Concert Brass - that a grant of £614 be made subject to the group submitting a suitable constitution in accordance with the Grants Scheme.

(b) Young People

(i) Lochan International Youth Scheme - £1,000

(ii) Kilmarnock and Loudoun Youth Panel - £604

The meeting terminated at 1450 hours.