

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**EMERGENCY POWERS COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 7 AUGUST 2000 AT 1345 HOURS IN  
THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD,  
KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Drew McIntyre, Daniel Coffey, Harry Wilson, Eric Jackson and Provost Jimmy Boyd.

**ATTENDING:** David Montgomery, Chief Executive; Bill Stafford, Director of Community Services; Stephen Chorley, Director of Development Services; Alex McPhee, Director of Finance; James Lavery, Director of Homes and Technical Services; Barbara Haughan, Head of Administrative and Legal Services; Robert Paton, Head of Economic Development; David Mitchell, Legal Manager; and Melanie Macleod, Administrative Officer.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors Douglas Reid and Jimmy Kelly.

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

**“MAKING COMMUNITY SAFER: SPRINKLERS FOR LIFE SAFETY” - MOAT  
HOUSE HOTEL, GLASGOW - 7 SEPTEMBER 2000**

1. There was submitted a report dated 24 July 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which requested that the Committee consider attendance at the “Making Community Safer: Sprinklers for Life Safety” conference on 7 September 2000.

It was agreed to authorise attendance at the above conference by one Member of the Administration, if available, the name to be notified to the Chief Executive as soon as possible.

**APPLICATION FOR GRANT - CONTACT PHAB CLUB**

2. There was submitted a report dated 25 July 2000 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources on an application received in respect of a Community Grant from the Contact PHAB Club covering the Local Committee areas of Kilmarnock South, Kilmarnock Central and the Northern Area.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that a total award of £945 be approved, divided as follows according to membership, viz:- Kilmarnock South Local Committee - £472.50, Kilmarnock Central Local Committee - £189.00 and Northern Area Local Committee - £283.50;
- (ii) that it be remitted to the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to inform the group accordingly; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

### **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

3. The Committee resolved that under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the Press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

#### **EAST AYRSHIRE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP (Item 2, Page 599)**

4. There was submitted a report dated 3 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Homes and Technical Services on issues requiring to be concluded and signed off in terms of the Council's decision not to proceed to the conclusion of the Project Agreement and ancillary contracts with East Ayrshire Housing Partnership, including a recommended final payment to the partnership, to cover the elements contained in the report, at a total cost to the Council of £98,112.32, and to conclude the exit strategy with East Ayrshire Housing Partnership.

Councillor McIntyre, seconded by Councillor Jackson, moved that the expenditure in the amount of £98,112.32 be approved, the payment to be made to the East Ayrshire Housing Partnership to be in full and final settlement of all matters outstanding and in respect of which there is appropriate budgetary provision within the Housing Revenue Account.

Councillor D Coffey, seconded by Councillor Wilson, moved as an amendment to continue consideration of this matter.

On a division by a show of hands, the motion was carried by three votes to two.

Councillors Coffey and Wilson dissented from the decision.

#### **FUNDING SUPPORT FOR COMPANY LOCATED IN CUMNOCK (Item 2, Page 334)**

5. There was submitted a report dated 4 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services which sought approval for steps to assist in securing additional funding support for a company located in Cumnock.

Provost Boyd, seconded by Councillor McIntyre, moved:-

- (i) to approve, in principle, the write-off of the existing loan debt to the company as a constituent element of the re-financing package for the business, subject to a full financing package, satisfactory to the Council, being assembled;
- (ii) that a further report be submitted to an appropriate Committee, seeking approval for further funding if the package can be assembled; and
- (iii) to consent to the conclusion of a "Manufacturing Agreement" as outlined in Section 3.1 (i) of the report.

Councillor D Coffey, seconded by Councillor Wilson, moved as an amendment that, once a full funding package had been assembled, a further report be submitted to an appropriate Committee.

On a division by a show of hands, the motion was carried by three votes to two.

The meeting terminated at 1425 hours.