

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2000 AT 1400 HOURS IN BELLFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE, WHATRIGGS ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors John Knapp, Alan Campbell and Jane Darnbrough; and Community Representatives Finvola Barnes, Margaret Shaw, James Dunsmuir, (Substitute Community Representative), Winnie Campbell, (Substitute Community Representative), Anne McRoberts

ATTENDING: Margaret Phelps, Service Officer (Social Work); Derek Spence, Recreation Officer; Kerr Chalmers, Technical Officer (Roads); Tom Merry, Senior Policy Advisor; Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager; Hugh Mitchell, Police Liaison Officer; and Anne Marie Carr, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Chief Inspector William Prendergast and Alan Morley, Police Officer, Community Safety.

APOLOGIES: Allan Faulds and Sandra Brown, Community Representatives.

CHAIR: Councillor John Knapp, Chair.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

1. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1402 hours in order to allow for a 15 minute maximum public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

2. The meeting reconvened at 1420 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives and Officers present and in attendance.

MINUTES

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3. There was submitted and noted, the Minutes of the meeting of the Kilmarnock South Local Committee held on 7 June 2000 (circulated).

COMMUNITY SERVICES

OPERATION "SPOTLIGHT"

4. There was submitted and noted a report dated 25 August 2000 (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 six week period and advising of forthcoming initiatives.

FLY-TIPPING IN THE KILMARNOCK AREA

5. There was submitted a report dated 23 May 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised of the problem of fly-tipping and the control measures taken by the Council.

It was agreed to continue consideration of this item to the next meeting of the Local Committee scheduled for 8 November 2000.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

6. The Chair agreed in terms of Standing Order 15.1 to alter the order of business and consider Item 9.1 of the Agenda, Leisure Facilities in the Kilmarnock South Area, as the next item on the Agenda.

LEISURE FACILITIES IN THE KILMARNOCK SOUTH AREA (Item 13, Page 848)

7. There was submitted a report dated 16 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services which advised of the Council's leisure facility provision in the Kilmarnock South area.

It was also reported that play parks within the Council's area were inspected on a monthly basis with maintenance work being undertaken as quickly as possible.

DECENTRALISATION ISSUES

APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES (Item 1, Page 904)

8. There was submitted a report dated 24 August 2000 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which updated the Committee on the position regarding the appointment of Community Representatives for the current year.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the appointments of Mr Arthur Brown and Mrs Joan Wark as Community Representative and Substitute Community Representative respectively representing the Churches within the Kilmarnock South area;
- (ii) to note the resignation of the Pre-5 representative and that it be remitted to the Director of Corporate Resources to acknowledge and thank on behalf of the Local Committee Christine Nisbet for her contribution as a Community Representative to the business of the Local Committee; and
- (iii) that it be remitted to the Director of Corporate Resources to make such arrangements as might be necessary to facilitate the submission of a nomination to fill the vacancy for a Pre-5 representative and any subsequent vacancies for Community/Substitute Representatives which may arise up to 31 March 2001.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

LOCAL TRANSPORT STRATEGY (Item 6, Page 643)

9. There was submitted a report dated 23 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services which advised of the outcome of public consultation on the

East Ayrshire Interim Local Transport Strategy (Consultative Draft) and which consulted on draft programmes and targets for inclusion in the Full Local Transport Strategy.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the findings of the public consultation to date for the Local Transport Strategy;
- (ii) that Members of the Committee should, on an individual basis, forward any comments on the draft programmes and targets direct to the Director of Development Services by 30 September 2000; and
- (iii) to note with regard to specific schemes for the Local Committee area, further consultation with the Local Committee would take place prior to their introduction.

LOCAL COMMITTEE COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

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10. There was submitted a report dated 24 August 2000 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which outlined the financial position in respect of the grants received for the financial year 2000/2001, together with a summary statement relevant to outstanding applications for community grant received from local organisations.

The Committee took the following decisions:-

- (i) to note that a grant of £472.50 had been awarded to Contact PHAB Club by the Emergency Powers Committee at a meeting held on 7 August 2000; and that an award of £22.00 to St Marnock Playscheme (ENABLE) had been made under delegated powers following consultation with the relevant Chairs of the Kilmarnock Central, Kilmarnock South and Northern Area Local Committees; and
- (ii) **Applications Approved** (for the purpose specified on the application), viz:-
 - (b) Older People
 - (i) South Kilmarnock Elderly Forum - £500; and
 - (c) Community Councils
 - (i) Bellfield Community Council - agreed to award a grant of £220 subject to the event being publicised throughout the Local Committee area.

SOCIAL INCLUSION

KILMARNOCK SOUTH SOCIAL INCLUSION EARLY ACTION PLAN - PROGRESS REPORT (Item 10, Page 907)

11. There was submitted and noted a report dated 28 August 2000 (circulated) by the Chief Executive which updated the Local Committee of progress towards meeting the objectives of the Kilmarnock South Social Inclusion Early Action Plan.

SOCIAL INCLUSION CHALLENGE FUND: PROJECT PROPOSALS

12. There was submitted a report dated 31 August 2000 (circulated) by the Chief Executive which sought the Local Committee's views regarding three proposed funding bids to the Council's Social Inclusion Challenge Fund.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to endorse the bids identified at Section 3 of the report; and
- (ii) that information leaflets regarding the Shop Mobility Scheme be made available to Community Representatives of the Local Committee.

LOCAL ISSUES

COMMUNITY SAFETY BRANCH - SERVICE PROVISION (Item 11.2, Page 1061)

13. There was submitted and noted a report dated 25 August 2000 (circulated) by the Local Authority Liaison Officer advising of the roles and duties of the Community Safety Branch of Strathclyde Police.

NEW LOCAL ISSUES

14. Community Representatives were invited to raise any items of local interest for inclusion on a future Agenda.

It was agreed to note that no items of local interest had been forthcoming.

The meeting terminated at 1545 hours.