

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 31 AUGUST 1999 AT 1400 HOURS
IN GATEHEAD COMMUNITY CENTRE, FAIRLIE VIEW, GATEHEAD**

PRESENT: Councillors Brian Reeves, Robert Stevenson and Iain Linton; Community Representatives Charles Calman, James McClymont, John McIvor, Linda Thomson and Babs Gallacher; and Named Substitutes Ian McVey, Dr Bryan Thompson and Dario Tognini.

ATTENDING: Bill Walkinshaw, Principal Administrative Officer; Denis Craig, Principal Officer (Recreation Services); Helen McGee, Service Unit Manager (Social Work); Irene Learmouth, Social Work Team Leader; Barrie McDonnell, Roads Technician; Melanie Macleod, Administrative Officer; and Lesley-Ann Wallace, Administrative Assistant.

ALSO ATTENDING: Superintendent Simon P Keenan and Constable Eddie Browett, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Douglas Reid and Alex Walsh and Community Representative John Donaldson.

CHAIR: Councillor Brian Reeves, Chair.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

1. It was agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1400 hours for a maximum of 15 minutes to allow for a public question and answer session.

RECONVENTION OF MEETING

2. The meeting was reconvened at 1413 hours with the same Councillors, Community Representatives, Named Substitutes and Officers present and in attendance.

MINUTES**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

3. There was submitted for information and noted the Minutes of meeting of the Kilmarnock Central Local Committee held on 1 June 1999 (circulated).

3.1 MATTER ARISING

It was agreed to note that Community Representative John McClymont's apologies had been submitted to the meeting.

DECENTRALISATION ISSUES**“PUTTING THE COMMUNITY FIRST” - REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S
DECENTRALISATION SCHEME**

4. There was submitted a report dated 6 August 1999 (circulated) by the Chief Executive which advised of the outcome of the Council's Review of its

Decentralisation Scheme and sought nominations from Community Representatives to participate in the Working Party of Community Representatives to progress and monitor the initiatives and issues detailed within the report.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to nominate Community Representative Charles Calman to serve on the Community Representatives Working Party on behalf of the Local Committee;
- (ii) to note the action proposed by the Council in relation to the Review of the Council's Decentralisation Scheme; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the content of the report.

VENUES FOR MEETINGS 1999/2000

5. There was submitted a report dated 10 August 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Corporate Services which sought approval in principle for proposed venues for meetings of the Kilmarnock Central Local Committee for the remainder of 1999/2000.

It was agreed, subject to the availability of individual venues, that the undernoted arrangements be adopted for meetings of the Local Committee to be held during the remainder of 1999/2000:-

DATE OF MEETING	VENUE
13 October 1999	Crosshouse Community Centre
23 November 1999	Bonnyton Community Centre
1 February 2000	Grange Academy (S&R Wing)
15 March 2000	Meeting Room, Council Headquarters

COMMUNITY GRANTS

FUNDING FOR PRIZES/AWARDS, ETC (Item 1.1, Page 4221, 99/02)

6. It was agreed to note that the Policy and Resources Committee had agreed that the remit of Local Committees be extended to allow disbursement of funds from the Local Community Grants Scheme in respect of prizes or awards, etc for certain activities which the Local Committee might provide from time to time, subject to a maximum annual expenditure per Committee of £300.

LOCAL COMMUNITY GRANTS 1999/2000

7. There was submitted a report dated 10 August 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Corporate Services which outlined the financial position in respect of grants for the financial year 1999/2000, together with a summary statement relative to outstanding application for community grants received from local organisations.

It was agreed as follows:-

- (i) **Applications Approved** (for the purpose identified in the application), viz:-
 - (a) Disability
St Marnock Youth Club (ENABLE) - £75

- (b) Leisure Activities
Winton Place Church Men's Guild - £599
- (c) Older People
St Joseph's Retirement Club - £400
- (d) Sport
Northwest Amateur Boxing Club - £25
- (e) Tenants/Residents Groups -
Wellpark Action Group - £150

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

INTERIM COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT FROM THE LOCAL COMMITTEE ON THE EAST AYRSHIRE SOCIAL INCLUSION STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP GROUP

8. There was submitted a report dated 3 August 1999 (circulated) by the Chief Executive which requested the Committee to nominate a Community Representative and Substitute Representative to attend the East Ayrshire Social Inclusion Strategic Partnership Group on an interim basis until March 2000.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to nominate Community Representatives Linda Thomson and Babs Gallacher as the Local Committee's representative and substitute representative respectively to attend the East Ayrshire Social Inclusion Strategic Partnership Group until March 2000; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

"OPERATION SPOTLIGHT"

9. There was submitted and noted a report dated 5 August 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Community Services on the nature and results of "Spotlight" operations, localised crime figures and ongoing initiatives over the preceding six week period and which advised of forthcoming initiatives.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

2000/2001 PROGRAMME FOR THE STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AND FOOTWAYS

10. There was submitted a report dated 22 July 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services on the 2000/2001 programme for the structural maintenance of roads and footways to be drawn up in autumn 1999 and which requested the Local Committee to notify the Head of Roads and Transportation of any carriageway or footway resurfacing schemes which it considered desirable.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that the Roads and Footway Structural Maintenance Programme for 2000/2001 would be drawn up in the autumn of 1999;

- (ii) that the Head of Roads and Transportation be requested to consider incorporating the Smillie Place, Kilmarnock access Road and pavements within the village of Gatehead in the Roads and Footways Structural Maintenance Programme for 2000/2001;
- (iii) to note that any other suggested inclusions should be submitted directly to the Head of Roads and Transportation by members of the Local Committee no later than mid October 1999; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the content of the report.

LOCAL ITEMS

- 11.** The Principal Administrative Officer reported and it was noted that, following the review of the Council's Decentralisation Scheme:-
- (i) the intention of a Local Item was to give Community Representatives an opportunity to raise local issues which would become the subject of a further report by appropriate Officers for consideration at future meetings; and
 - (ii) local items of interest raised by Community Representatives would be incorporated into the forward planner of Committee business currently being developed.

The meeting terminated at 1505 hours.