

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

SOCIAL INCLUSION STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP GROUP

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2000 AT 1150 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, DALSALLOCH CENTRE, AUCHINLECK

PRESENT: Councillors David Macrae, Willie Coffey and Elaine Dinwoodie; Fiona Lees, Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources, East Ayrshire Council; Douglas Campbell, Head of Corporate Development and Communication, East Ayrshire Council; Gwen Barker, Social Inclusion Manager, East Ayrshire Council; and Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer, East Ayrshire Council; Geraldine O'Donnell, Corporate Services Manager, Ayrshire and Arran Primary Care Trust; Heather Knox, Director of Estates and Facilities, Ayrshire and Arran Primary Care Trust; Grace Moore, Health Promotion Officer, Ayrshire and Arran Health Board; Superintendent Alistair McKie and Chief Inspector Hugh McKnight, Strathclyde Police; Jim Gallacher, Assistant Principal, Ayr College; Dave Wilcock, Kilmarnock College; Sheila White, Chief Executive Officer, East Ayrshire Business Partnership; Jim Burns, Action Team Project Manager, Employment Service; George Fraser, Chief Executive, East Ayrshire Employment Initiative; Steve Shanta, Scottish Enterprise Ayrshire; Eddie Torrance, Community Representative and Tony Foote, Substitute Representative, Doon Valley Local Committee; William Lees, Substitute Community Representative, Cumnock Area Local Committee; Charles Calman, Community Representative, Kilmarnock Central Local Committee; Anne McRoberts, Community Representative, Kilmarnock South Local Committee and Gerry Cassidy, Community Representative, Irvine Valley Local Committee.

APOLOGIES: Alan Gunning, Chief Executive, Ayrshire and Arran Health Board and Caroline McBride, Community Representative, Cumnock Area.

CHAIR: Councillor David Macrae, Chair.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 28 September 2000 (circulated) were submitted and approved as a correct record.

MATTERS ARISING

- 2.1 **Action Team Employment Initiative** - The Chair indicated that that he had written on behalf of the Strategic Partnership Group to the Secretary of State for Scotland requesting that the Action Team for Jobs initiative be extended to other areas of East Ayrshire Council which would benefit from the initiative. It was noted that a copy of the response would be circulated to members of the Strategic partnership Group.
- 2.2 **East Ayrshire Strategy for Youth** - Trainee Destinations - Noted that a breakdown of the final destinations of the 16 trainees who had embarked upon the programme had been provided to Matt Donnelly, Community Representative.

EAST AYRSHIRE'S SOCIAL INCLUSION IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS: PROPOSALS FOR CHANGE

3. There was submitted a report dated 3 November 2000 (circulated) by the Chief Executive of East Ayrshire Council which requested the partnership consider the proposed changes in more detail and indicated how and when the proposed changes would be made.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the decision making arrangements for Social Inclusion as detailed in the report;
- (ii) to request that partner members identify nominations to the Northern Area SIP Board and the Coalfield Area SIP Board and notify the Chief Executive of East Ayrshire Council by 30 November 2000;
- (iii) that Ayrshire and Arran Health Board be added to the membership of the Executive Group and that the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources of East Ayrshire Council be appointed as Chair; and
- (iv) otherwise to endorse the revised implementation arrangements for securing Social Inclusion.

WORKING TOGETHER: LEARNING TOGETHER

4. The Social Inclusion Manager, East Ayrshire Council reported and it was agreed that partner organisations representing the Coalfield Area SIP submit their nominations to the Social Inclusion Manager by the 30 November 2000.

SOCIAL INCLUSION CHALLENGE FUND - YOUTH OUTREACH PROPOSAL - CATRINE

5. There was submitted (circulated) report dated 30 October 2000 by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate resources of East Ayrshire Council which sought the endorsement for non-recurring revenue funding from the Social Inclusion Challenge Fund to support an outreach youth project in the Catrine area.

It was agreed to endorse the funding bid to the Social Inclusion Challenge Fund for £1,300 to deliver the Outreach Youth project in Catrine.

ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT TO AYRSHIRE AND ARRAN HEALTH BOARD

6. The Health Promotion Specialist, Ayrshire and Arran Health Board reported that £800,000 to £900,000 had been allocated to the Health Board per annum for a 4 year period to target Health inequalities and which also embraced Social Inclusion initiatives.

It was agreed to welcome the funding initiative and to request that the Executive Group consider identifying projects with a Social Inclusion emphasis which would meet the funding criteria.

The meeting terminated at 1306 hours.