



North Ayrshire Council
Comhairle Siorrachd Àir a Tuath

Cunninghame House,
Irvine.

14 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

You are requested to attend a Meeting of the above mentioned Committee of North Ayrshire Council to be held in the D A Hall, The Garrison, Millport, Isle of Cumbrae on **THURSDAY 21 MAY 2015** at **2.00 p.m** to consider the undernoted business.

Yours faithfully

Elma Murray

Chief Executive

1. Declarations of Interest

Members are requested to give notice of any declaration of interest in respect of items of business on the agenda.

2. Minutes

The accuracy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 5 March 2015 will be confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (copy enclosed).

3. CPP Partners

3.1 North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board: Minutes of Meeting held on 19th March 2015

Submit report by the Chief Executive on the Minutes of the meeting of the North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership (CPP) held on 19 March 2015 (copy enclosed).

3.2 Police Scotland

Police Scotland will report on issues of local interest for the period 20 February to 11 May 2015.

3.3 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

Submit report by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service on incidents within the North Coast area during the period 20 February to 10 May 2015 (copy enclosed).

4. Largs Reports

4.1 Economy & Communities Update - Largs

Submit report by the Executive Director (Economy & Communities) on actions taken in relation to the list of projects and issues provided by the Chair, as well as any other relevant activity undertaken by the Directorate (copy enclosed).

4.2 Major Projects Update - Largs

Submit report by the Executive Director on major construction projects being undertaken in the area by the Council (copy enclosed).

5. Fairlie Reports

5.1 Economy & Communities Update - Fairlie

Submit report by the Executive Director (Economy & Communities) on actions taken in relation to the list of projects and issues provided by the Chair (copy enclosed).

6. Cumbrae Reports

6.1 Economy & Communities Update - Cumbrae

Submit report by the Executive Director (Economy & Communities) on actions taken in relation to the list of projects and issues provided by the Chair (copy enclosed).

6.2 Housing Needs & Demand Assessment (Cumbrae)

Submit report by the Executive Director (Place) on details of the 2013 Housing Needs & Demand Assessment undertaken in respect of the Isle of Cumbrae (copy enclosed).

6.3 Major Projects Update - Cumbrae

Submit report by the Executive Director.(Place) on major construction projects being undertaken by the Council on Cumbrae (copy enclosed).

7. Skelmorlie Reports

7.1 Economy & Communities Update - Skelmorlie

Submit report by the Executive Director (Economy& Communities) on actions taken in relation to the list of projects and issues provided by the Chair (copy enclosed).

8. Community Development Grant Scheme and Local Youth Action Fund: Applications for Financial Assistance

Submit report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on applications received in respect of the Community Development Grant Scheme (copy enclosed).

9. Grants to Elderly Groups

Submit report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on the level of funding available for disbursement in the Committee's area in 2015/16 (copy enclosed).

10. Largs Common Good : Applications for Financial Assistance

Submit report by the Chief Executive on two applications received in respect of the Largs Common Good Fund (copy enclosed).

11. Date and Venue of Meetings

The next meeting of the North Coast Area Committee will be held on 13 August 2015 (Skelmorlie Community Centre). Thereafter, meetings will take place on, 24 September 2015 (Fairlie Village Hall) and 19 November 2015 (Largs Library).

12. Future Agenda Items

Discuss items for consideration at future meetings of the Area Committee.

13. Urgent Items

Any other items which the Chair considers to be urgent.

North Coast Area Committee

Sederunt:

Alex Gallagher (Chair)
Alan Hill
Tom Marshall
Grace McLean

Chair:

Attending:

Apologies:

Meeting Ended:

North Coast Area Committee
5 March 2015

LARGS, 5 March 2015 - At a Meeting of the North Coast Area Committee of North Ayrshire Council at 2.00 p.m.

Present

Alex Gallagher, Alan Hill, Tom Marshall and Grace McLean.

In Attendance

L. Taylor, Senior Manager (Resources and Infrastructure) and G. Donaldson, Administrative Officer (Education and Youth Employment); D. Hammond, Senior Manager (Strategic Planning and Infrastructure), J. McKnight, Senior Manager (Community Development), J. McHarg, Community Engagement Manager (Community Engagement Team) and J. Cumming, Project Officer (Economy and Communities); H. Miller, Streetscene Officer (Place); and M. Anderson, Acting Committee and Member Services Manager (Chief Executive's Service)

Also In Attendance

Inspector M. Oates (Police Scotland); and D. Blair (Largs Community Council).

Chair

Councillor Gallagher in the Chair

1. Chair's Remarks

The Chair, in terms of Standing Order 9.3, agreed to vary the order of business to allow later consideration Agenda Item 4.2 (Improvements to Largs Town Centre/Promenade).

2. Declarations of Interest

In terms of Standing Order 16 and Section 5 of the Councillors Code of Conduct, Councillor Gallagher, as a member of Largs Viking Festival, declared an indirect pecuniary interest Agenda Item 4.3 (Largs Sea Front Car Park: Update on Projects and Car Park Usage) as it related to the cost of erecting and dismantling the Viking Village.

3. Minutes

The accuracy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 22 January 2015 was confirmed and the Minute signed in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

4. CPP Partners

4.1 Police Scotland

Submitted report by Police Scotland of local interest of the period on 8 January 2015 to 19 February 2015.

The report included information on the following:-

- crime statistics for the North Coast area;
- a number of local action plans to address speeding, housebreaking, mobile phones/disqualified drivers, drug supply and disorder/antisocial behaviour; and
- crimes of note, including offences in terms of the possession of methadone, an attempt to pervert the course of justice, a serious assault, and possession of herbal cannabis.

Further details were provided at the meeting of the following:-

- the background to the 60% detection rate for serious assaults, compared with the high rate of detection for common assaults;
- a recent spate of housebreakings in the North Coast area; and
- the work of the Largs Town Centre officers in relation to parking enforcement.

Members discussed the following:-

- offenders travelling from outwith the area to commit housebreakings; and
- issues around town centre parking enforcement relating to parking in loading/disabled bays and obstructive/dangerous parking.

The Chair, on behalf of the Committee, extended his thanks to Inspector Oates for his contribution to the work of the Area Committee and wished him well in his retirement.

Noted.

4.2 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

Submitted report by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service on incidents within the North Coast area during the period 11 January 2015 to 18 February 2015.

The report included information on a small number of incidents, mainly relating to good intent and equipment fault false alarms within Largs and Cumbrae, as well as special services activities.

Members asked questions about the circumstances surrounding a recent fire at Routenburn Golf Club and, in the absence of a representative of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, further information and clarification was provided by Inspector Oates.

Noted.

5. Largs Reports

5.1 Largs Campus

The Committee received a presentation by the Senior Manager (Resources and Infrastructure) (Education and Youth Employment) on the proposed creation of a new education campus on the site of **sportsscotland's** Inverclyde National Centre in Largs, comprising the relocation of Largs Academy, a new primary school (arising from the proposed amalgamation of Brisbane Primary School and Kelburn Primary School), the relocation of St Mary's Primary School and a new early years' centre with provision for children aged 2 to 5 years.

Members discussed the potential for innovation in terms of the design of the new facility, as well as the opportunity to learn from best practice and other recent new schools projects.

Noted.

5.2 Largs Sea Front Car Park: Update on Projects and Car Park Usage

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Place) on the implementation of agreed projects and the usage of the Largs Sea Front Car Park between May and December 2014.

Members discussed the following:-

- the assessment of quality as well as cost when considering the replacement of the gargoyles on the Pencil Monument;
- the steep grading between the Haylie Brae car park and path;
- whether, in future, works to the Haylie Brae car park could be subject to a tendering process;
- maintenance of the Promenade festoon lighting and the extension of the lighting to the Mackerston Green area;
- the removal of the plaque on the cairn at the Pencil Monument and the replacement of some of its stones;
- a desire to improve the appearance of land adjacent to the Haylie Brae road, whether through the introduction of wildflower meadow, or otherwise through the use of gravel, etc.;
- the average usage period of the Largs Seafront Car Park; and
- significant rises in the cost of erecting and dismantling the Viking Village.

The Committee agreed (a) to note (i) the progress on expenditure and the agreed projects to date, including acceptance of the lowest tender of £1,650 in respect of the replacement of two stones on the Pencil Monument and (ii) the usage of the Largs Sea Front Car Park between May and December 2014; (b) to recommend that future works to the Haylie Brae car park should be the subject of a tendering exercise; (c) that the Streetscene Officer (i) obtain quotes for the extension of the festoon lighting to the Mackerston Green area, (ii) update the Committee on the outcome of an assessment of the feasibility of introducing a wildflower meadow adjacent to the Haylie Brae road or, this failing, the use of gravel to improve the appearance of this area and (iii) seek clarification on the increased costs associated with the erection and dismantling of the Viking Village; and (d) to request an update from the Access Officer on the current position with regard to the plaque and stones forming part of the cairn next to the Pencil Monument.

5.3 Halkshill and Blairpark, Largs - Proposed Forestry Plantation

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on the progress in respect of the proposed introduction of a significant area of new woodland on land to the east of Largs at Halkshill and Blairpark, and the intention to develop a hydro-electric scheme on the Gogo and Greeto Waters.

The report provided information on the Forestry Commission's role in determining the developer, UPM Tilhill's planting proposals, including the mechanism for consulting local authorities and others.

The Chair invited Douglas Blair of Largs Community Council to provide an update on a recent meeting in respect of the proposal, including issues around the extent of any community and tourism benefit in respect of the project, the impact on the landscape, proposed density and tree types which might be introduced, and the implications of a hydro-electric scheme.

Members discussed the following:-

- the stage at which the Council would submit a consultation response and the mechanism for officers doing so under delegated powers; and
- the importance of seeking to ensure that community and tourism benefits arise from the project.

Mr Blair undertook to provide a copy of his notes for circulation to Members of the Committee and the Senior Manager (Strategic Planning and Infrastructure).

The Committee agreed (a) to note the information provided; and (b) notwithstanding the delegation to officers, to request that local Elected Members are briefed by Officers on the Environmental Statement consultation response.

5.4 Largs Common Good : Applications for Financial Assistance

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on an application received in respect of the Largs Common Good Fund.

The Committee agreed to make an award of £2,000 to Largs 1st Responders.

5.5 Improvements to Largs Town Centre/Promenade

The Committee received a verbal report from the Regeneration Officer (Place) on progress in respect of the Masterplan for Largs Town Centre, advising that the report is expected to be ready for circulation at the end of March/beginning of April prior to formal submission to the Area Committee at its next meeting in May 2015.

Members discussed the following:-

- the positive nature of the consultation process;
- whether the model boat club and Clyde Coastal Rowing Club had been among the groups consulted;
- whether the report would include costings; and
- the possibility of linking into the project input from 6274 Public Art, the software company which provided a presentation to the Committee on the use of interpretative signage and augmented reality technology.

The Committee agreed (a) that the Regeneration Officer (Place) explore further the possibility of incorporating interpretative signage and augmented reality technology into the proposals identified in the Masterplan; and (b) to note that a copy of the Masterplan report would be circulated to Members of the Area Committee prior to being submitted for formal consideration at the next meeting.

6. Fairlie Reports

6.1 Update Report: Economy and Communities

The Committee received a verbal update from the Senior Manager (Strategic Planning and Infrastructure) on the following:-

- the A78 and plans for officers to meet with Transport Scotland and Fairlie Safer Roads Group to discuss concerns raised by the group in a petition considered by the Scrutiny and Petitions Committee on the subject of safe roads and pavements in the village;
- ongoing discussions between the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) and Clydeport to try to identify potential ways forward to secure additional employment uses at Hunterston (such as offshore/onshore wind manufacturing, maritime decommissioning or biomass power), given the significant levels of capital investment which would be required;
- an application by EDF to vary the authorisation permissions in relation to radioactive waste at Hunterston, currently being considered by SEPA; and
- further consultation in respect of Phase 1 of the Shore Path project (coastal path Bay Street to South Car Park) and the significant progress made on the Phase 2 (South Car Park to Hunterston Roundabout).

Members discussed the following:-

- any further consultation opportunities for the Council in connection with EDF's radioactive waste application;
- whether the shore plan improvements would be constructed to an adoptable standard; and
- the nature of EDF's radioactive waste storage proposals.

The Committee agreed (a) that the Senior Manager (Strategic Planning and Infrastructure) provide clarification to Members on any further opportunities for the Council to be consulted by SEPA on the EDF's radioactive waste application; and (b) otherwise, to note the content of the report.

7. Cumbrae Reports

7.1 Update Report: Economy and Communities

The Committee received a verbal update from the Senior Manager (Strategic Planning and Infrastructure) on the following:-

- fuel provision on the island and the need for a suitable community group to show a sufficient level of interest and capacity to deliver the project;
- an unsuccessful bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund for investment in the Millport Conservation Area, an outstanding Historic Scotland bid and the Council's commitment to support any successful bid with a contribution of £500,000 over a 5-year period; and
- the production of a Masterplan for the Garrison House grounds alongside the Cumbrae Community Development Company and the potential for a Compulsory Purchase Order of the Garrison Stables building.

Members discussed the following:-

- whether anything might be done to encourage a community group to take forward the community fuel initiative; and
- concerns about the risk associated with members of the public transporting fuel on the Cumbrae ferry.

Noted.

8. Skelmorlie Reports

8.1 Update Report: Economy and Communities

The Committee received a verbal update from the Senior Manager (Strategic Planning and Infrastructure) on the outcome of a site meeting with local Members, the owner of the Spar shop and a Community Council representative to consider options to alleviate concerns about the bus stop at the Cross, Skelmorlie, and the intention to take a decision on remedial action following feedback from the Community Council on the options.

Noted.

8.2 Skelmorlie Community Sports Club

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on work to redevelop the Skelmorlie Football Pitch site.

A list of options for the park development was considered and a short-list presented to the community at an open public meeting. It was agreed that the priority was to provide a facility which could operate throughout the year for the community, including supporting curricular activities by the local primary school and for children and young people after school hours. Phase 1 of the project will focus on the construction of a 40m x 20m Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) along the boundary line of the Primary School. Phase 2 would address drainage of the existing 11-a-side pitch and the surrounding parkland, with an element of test drainage being implemented in Phase 1 on the approach to the MUGA. The report provided information of funding applications to meet the cost of the project.

Members discussed the following:-

- the likelihood of the project securing the necessary funding;
- the condition of existing provision; and
- the challenges associated with drainage issues.

The Committee agreed (a) to record its appreciation of the work done by the Officers in supporting the project; and (b) otherwise, to note the content of the report.

9. Community Development Grant Scheme and Local Youth Action Fund: Application for Financial Assistance

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on applications received in respect of the Local Youth Action Fund. The Community Engagement Manager (Community Engagement Team) advised of the receipt of a late grant application from Ayrshire Opera Experience.

The Committee agreed to make the following awards from the Local Youth Action Fund:-

Organisation	Award
Phil/Scot Trust	£425.00
St. Mary's Primary School	£600.00
Largs Events	£1,000.00
Ayrshire Opera Experience	£892.00, subject to
satisfactory assessment	

10. Date and Venue of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the North Coast Area Committee will be held on 21 May 2015 in the DA Hall, Millport, Cumbrae. Thereafter, meetings will take place on 13 August 2015 (Skelmorlie Community Centre), 24 September 2015 (Fairlie Village Hall) and 19 November 2015 (Largs Library).

Noted.

11. Future Agenda Items

The Committee agreed to note that Members should advise Committee Services of any potential items for inclusion on a future Agenda.

The meeting ended at 3.45 p.m.

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 3.1

21 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

Subject: **North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board: Minutes of Meeting held on 19 March 2015.**

Purpose: To submit the minute of the meeting of the North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership (CPP) held on 19 March 2015.

Recommendation: That the Committee notes the minutes contained in Appendix 1

1. Introduction

- 1.1 It was previously agreed that the minutes of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board be submitted to the North Coast Area Committee for information. The key matters arising from the minutes have been highlighted for the attention of the Committee and are detailed in paragraph 2.1.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 The minutes of the meeting of the CPP Board held on 19 March 2015 are appended. Particular matters for the Committee's attention include the following:

Agenda Item 4

Lisa Tennant, Scottish Police Authority (SPA), provided a presentation on the work of the SPA, its principles, police scrutiny arrangements and methods of engagement.

Agenda Item 5

Xanthe Wylie (Educational Psychologist) and John Flanagan (Team Manager Children & Families Fieldwork) NAC gave a presentation on 'Stop Now and Plan'. They explained how a programme, developed in Canada, had been implemented locally to teach children with behavioural problems, and their parents, how to make better choices "in the moment". The Board was also shown video clips which showed the success of the programme for the individuals who took part.

Agenda Item 6(a)

Anne Clarke, NHS Ayrshire & Arran, gave a presentation on the Mental Health & Wellbeing Strategy and Action Plan. The Board was given details of the reasoning behind the strategy and its implementation.

Agenda Item 6(b)

A report was submitted by Jim McHarg (Community Development Manager) NAC on A More Active Scotland: Building a Legacy from the Commonwealth Games. The Board were asked to consider the Chair of North Ayrshire Leisure Trust (KA Leisure) joining the CPP board to create a direct link between the CPP and North Ayrshire's Games Legacy. This should deliver greater health and physical activity benefits for North Ayrshire residents.

Agenda Item 7(a)

A report was submitted by Jim Nichols (Co-Chair of The Third Sector Interface (TSI), North Ayrshire) asking the Board to approve the TSI Community Planning Improvement Programme. The report provided a summary of the key aims of the programme along with the process used and the actions identified.

Agenda Item 7(b)

Jim McHarg (Community Development Manager) NAC presented a report updating the Board on developments in relation to the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Bill, and its impact on North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership. The report outlined the objectives of the Bill and the proposals which will reinforce on-going work to strengthen and improve CPPs. The proposals will:

- Affect the role of North Ayrshire CPP partners and the relationships between them
- Promote community engagement and capacity building by the CPP and,
- Put the CPP on a clearer statutory basis with clearer roles & responsibilities.

Agenda Item 8

A report was submitted by Damien Griffith (CPP Partnership Analyst) NAC on the development of new neighbourhood governance structures. The Board were asked to note progress on the consultation and development process to establish new governance arrangements for North Ayrshire's six neighbourhood areas.

Agenda Item 9(a)

A report was submitted by Fiona Walker (Organisational Development Manager) NAC on progress in delivering the CPP Organisational Development Plan and future plans. The Board noted progress to date and the planned activities for the next quarter.

Agenda Item 9(b)

A report was submitted by Morna Rae (Community Planning Team Leader) NAC on the Draft Single Outcome Agreement (SOA) Action Plan 2015-16. The Board agreed the draft SOA Action Plan 2015-16 subject to the outstanding incomplete sections being confirmed.

Agenda Item 9(c)

Morna Rae submitted a report on the Risk Register. The Board noted the six monthly update and agreed that the Risk Register (2015-16) should be updated for the Strategic Management Team to consider.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 That the Committee notes the CPP Board Minutes and, in particular those matters highlighted at 2.1 above.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this Report.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 There are no human resource implications arising from this Report.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 There are no legal implications arising from this Report.

Equality Implications

- 4.4 There are no equality implications arising from this Report.

5. Consultations

- 5.1 No consultations were required.

6. Conclusion

6.1 The Minutes are submitted for information with the matters arising.

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ELMA MURRAY
Chief Executive

Reference : MR

For further information please contact Morna Rae, Community Planning
Team Leader on 01294 324177

Background Papers

None

North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership

CPP Board

Minutes of Meeting held on 19th March 2015



Present

Ayrshire College

Heather Dunk, Principal

Jobcentre Plus

Etta Wright, District Manager

NHS Ayrshire & Arran

John Burns, Chief Executive

Martin Cheyne, Chairman (Vice-Chair)

North Ayrshire Council

Councillor William Gibson (Chair)

Councillor Alex Gallagher

Councillor Anthea Dickson

Councillor Ruth Maguire

Elma Murray, Chief Executive

Police Scotland

Divisional Commander Gillian McDonald

Chief Inspector Tim Ross

Scottish Fire and Rescue

Jim Scott, Area Manager

Strathclyde Partnership for Transport

Allan Comrie, Senior Transport Planner

Third Sector Interface

Jim Nichols, Manager

Scottish Government

Stephen Gallagher, Location Director

Scottish Enterprise

Jim Reid, Stakeholders & Networks Director

In Attendance

Xanthe Wylie (Educational Psychologist) NAC, John Flanagan Team Manager (Social Services & Health) NAC, Anne Clarke (Assistant Director of Public Health) NHS, Lisa Tennant Scottish Police Authority, Damien Griffith (Partnership Analyst) NAC, Morna Rae (Community Planning Team Leader) NAC, Jim McHarg (Community Engagement Manager) NAC, Fiona Walker (Organisational

Development Manager) NAC, Stephen Brown (Head of Service - Children, Families & Criminal Justice Services) NAC, Susan McAtee (Community Planning Assistant) NAC

Apologies for absence

Dr. John O'Dowd (NHS Ayrshire & Arran), Councillor Robert Steel (NAC), John Butcher Executive Director (Education & Youth Employment).

Chair

Councillor Gibson in the Chair.

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed those present to the meeting and a special welcome was given to Dr. Martyn Cheyne as newly appointed Vice Chair of the CPP Board.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Jim Reid, Skills Development Scotland, asked that the Minute be changed to show that he attended the December meeting rather than put in apologies. The minutes of the meeting held on 4th December were then approved.

3. Matters Arising from Minutes

A note of the action taken on the matters arising from the previous meeting on 4th December was submitted and noted by the board.

4. A Safe and Secure North Ayrshire

Lisa Tennant, Scottish Police Authority (SPA), provided a presentation on the work of the SPA, its principles, police scrutiny arrangements and methods of engagement.

Board Members confirmed there was a good working relationship between SPA, North Ayrshire Council, Police Scotland and the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service.

There was discussion about the reasons for Forensics Science being provided by the Scottish Police Authority, and arrangements for Police Scotland taking over the policing of the rail network.

The Chair thanked Lisa for her presentation on behalf of the Board and suggested the SPA could attend a future meeting of the CPP Board to provide further updates.

5. Early Intervention and Prevention

Xanthe Wylie (Educational Psychologist) and John Flanagan (Team Manager Children & Families Fieldwork) NAC gave a presentation on 'Stop Now and Plan'. They explained how a programme had been developed in Canada and implemented locally to teach children with behavioural problems, and their parents, how to make better choices "in the moment". The Board was also

shown video clips which showed the success of the programme for the individuals who took part.

The Board discussed the different programmes offered to boys and girls within the SNAP Programme whilst following the Canadian model. Police Scotland confirmed an open invite extending to girls to visit and speak to officers and this would be tailored to suit them.

The Board were reassured that the schools are keen to take part and that a consistent approach is being taken. The evidence supporting the approach was discussed. The Board praised the success of the approach and the external recognition it had received.

The Chair thanked Xanthe and John on behalf of the Board for their presentation.

6. A Healthier North Ayrshire

- (a) Anne Clarke, NHS Ayrshire & Arran, gave a presentation on the Mental Health & Wellbeing Strategy and Action Plan. The Board was given details of the reasoning behind the strategy and its implementation.

Members asked for clarity on the framework and how the strategy was co-ordinated. There was discussion on how the Early Intervention and Prevention Programmes and the Strategy fit together. Elma Murray (Chief Executive) invited Anne Clarke to attend the Strategic Management Team to discuss putting the Action Plan in place.

- (b) A Report was submitted by Jim McHarg (Community Development Manager) NAC on A More Active Scotland: Building a Legacy from the Commonwealth Games. The Board were asked to consider the Chair and Chief Executive of North Ayrshire Leisure Trust (KA Leisure) joining the CPP board to create a direct link between the CPP and North Ayrshire's Games Legacy. This should deliver greater health and physical activity benefits.

The Board discussed ensuring that Third Sector sports clubs are included in ongoing work.

The Board agreed the proposal.

7. Building Community Capacity

- (a) A report was submitted by Jim Nichols (Co-Chair of The Third Sector Interface (TSI), North Ayrshire) asking the Board to approve the TSI Community Planning Improvement Programme. The report provided a summary of the key aims of the programme along with the process used and the actions identified.

The Board discussed the relationship between the TSI and the wider CPP. There was discussion on the positivity of North Ayrshire TSI and other CPP Partners being selected to participate in the national Third Sector Interface Community Planning Improvement Programme (which is supported by the Scottish Government to build the best possible environment for the third sector to contribute to achieving better outcomes).

The Board endorsed the TSI Community Planning Improvement Plan.

(b) Community Empowerment Bill Developments and Links to Community Planning:

Jim McHarg (Community Development Manager) NAC presented a report updating the Board on developments in relation to the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Bill, and its impact on North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership. The report outlined the objectives of the Bill and the proposals which will reinforce on-going work to strengthen and improve CPPs. The proposals will:

- Affect the role of North Ayrshire CPP partners and the relationships between them
- Promote community engagement and capacity building by the CPP and,
- Put the CPP on a clearer statutory basis with clearer roles & responsibilities.

The Board considered the implications of the Community Empowerment Bill in relation to empowering communities and discussed the best ways for CPP partners to think about how they can strengthen community engagement and help build capacity in communities.

The Board agreed that further discussion should take place with the Strategic Management Team on the best way to move this forward.

8. Tackling Local Inequalities of Outcome

A report was submitted by Damien Griffith (CPP Partnership Analyst) NAC on the development of new neighbourhood governance structures. The Board were asked to note progress on the consultation and development process to establish new governance arrangements for North Ayrshire's six neighbourhood areas. The programme of consultation will continue with six community based discussion groups arranged at the dates and venues undernoted:-

Date	Neighbourhood	Venue
24 Feb	Kilwinning	(Nethermain Community Centre)
4 March	North Coast, West Kilbride & Cumbrae	(Largs Academy)
10 March	Three Towns	(Ardrossan Civic Centre)
17 March	Arran	(Arran Outdoor Centre, Lamlash)
24 March	Kilbirnie	(Radio City, Kilbirnie)
25 March	Irvine	(Volunteer Rooms, Irvine)

The Board noted progress on the consultation programme to develop options for new governance arrangements and agreed to approve the setting up of an appropriate Programme Board of Partners to manage and oversee the transition process.

9. Governance

- (a) A report was submitted by Fiona Walker (Organisational Development Manager) NAC on progress in delivering the CPP Organisational Development Plan and future plans. The Board noted progress to date and the planned activities for the next quarter including:

- The development of the job shadowing programme for CPP partners
- Continued delivery and evaluation of the CPP training course
- Identifying topics for future lunchtime briefings and development days
- A briefing note on the SOA Action Plan 2015-16 will be produced and distributed

The Board agreed the proposal that Board members and the three thematic groups should meet once a year for a half day information session. This will allow the CPP Board to have a better insight into partnership working across the themes and allow better discussion of strategic issues across the different groups of the CPP.

- (b) A report was submitted by Morna Rae (Community Planning Team Leader) NAC on the Draft Single Outcome Agreement (SOA) Action Plan 2015-16. The Board agreed the draft SOA Action Plan 2015-16 subject to the outstanding incomplete sections being confirmed.
- (c) Morna Rae submitted a report on the Risk Register. The Board noted the six monthly update and agreed that the Risk Register (2015-16) should be updated for the Strategic Management Team to consider.

9. Chairs Reports

- (a) Children's Services Strategic Partnership
Noted
- (b) Safer North Ayrshire Partnership
Tim Ross (Chief Inspector, Police Scotland) brought trends in relation to road casualties and fatalities to the Board's attention. The Board discussed the challenges of identifying consistent factors or trends which cause these incidents. Gillian McDonald (Divisional Commander) Police Scotland agreed to look into the relevance of road conditions and surface water.
- (c) Community Engagement Reference Group
Noted

10 Urgent Items

None

11. Future Agenda Items

None

13. Date of next meeting

11th June, 2015 at 10.30am within the Council Chambers, Cunninghame House, Irvine.
The meeting ended at 12.45pm

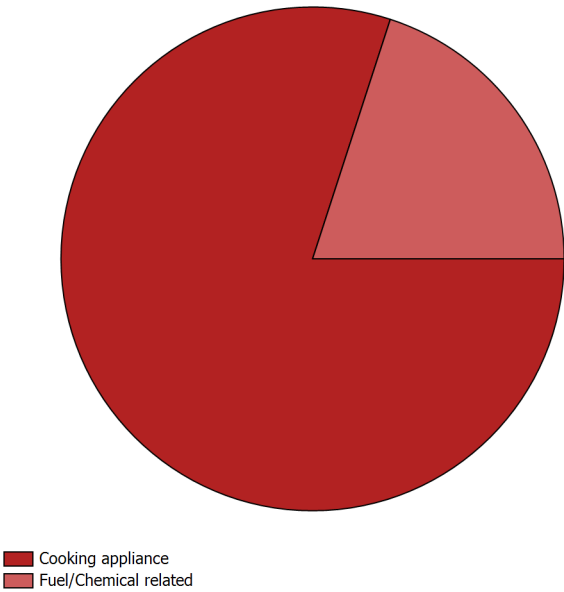
Dates: 19/02/2015 - 10/05/2015
Councils: North Ayrshire
Wards: North Coast and Cumbraes Ward

Agenda item 3.3

Incident Analysis

	Ward	Council	Ward as % of Council
Population	16295	135817	12%
Dwellings	9163	65550	14%
Incidents	55	469	11.7%
Casualties	7	24	29.2%
Fire	6	10	60%
RTC	1	10	10%
Other	0	4	%
Fatalities	1	2	50%
Fire	0	0	%
RTC	0	1	%
Other	1	1	100%

Dwelling Fires: Accidental



Top 10 Accidental Dwelling Fire Locations

Street	Incident Count
GOGOSIDE RD, ., LARGS	2
BEACHWAY, ., LARGS	1
GOLF RD, MILLPORT, CUMBRAE	1
MAIN RD, ., FAIRLIE	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	5

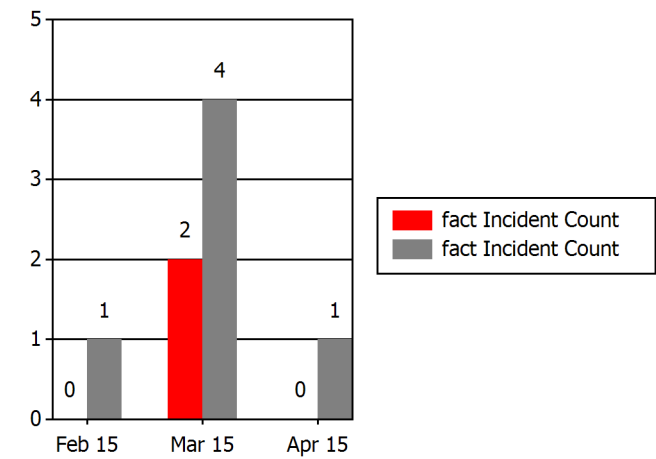
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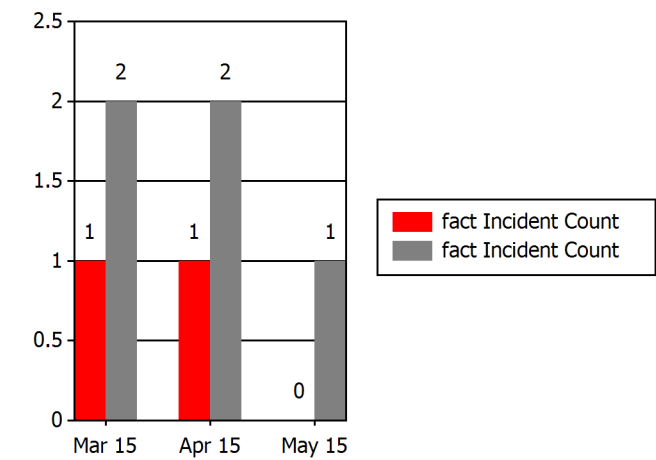
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Non Domestic Fires: Deliberate



Vehicle Fires: Accidental

Top 10 Accidental Non Domestic Fire Locations

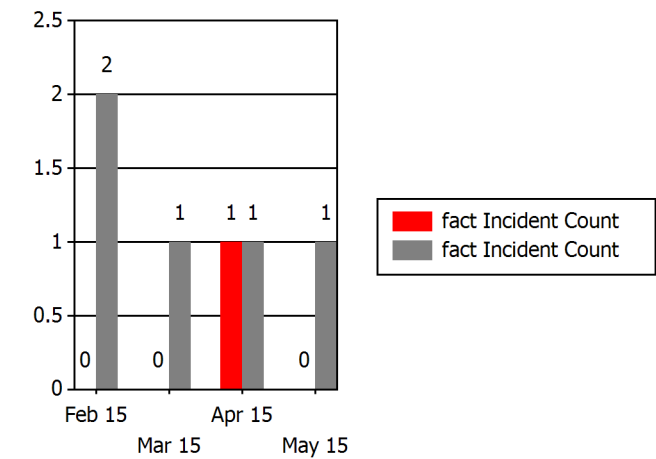
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A78, ., FAIRLIE	1
BURNSIDE RD, ., LARGS	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	2

Top 10 Deliberate Non Domestic Fire Locations

Street	Incident Count
FLATT RD, ., LARGS	1
ROUTENBURN RD, ., LARGS	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	2

Top 10 Accidental Vehicle Fire Locations

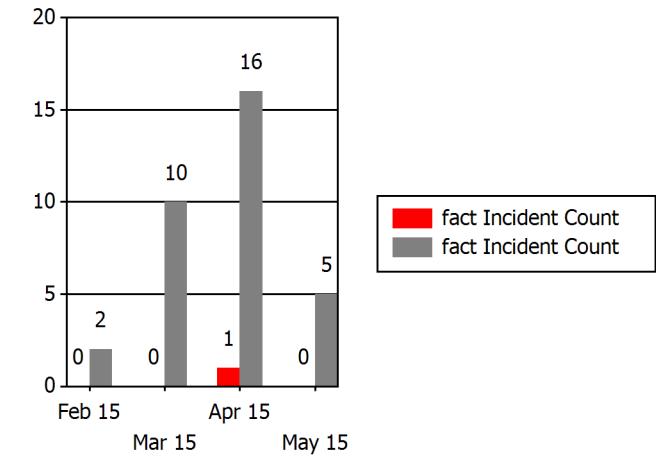
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BRISBANE RD, ., LARGS	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	1



Vehicle Fires: Deliberate



Rubbish Fires



Heath and Grass Fires

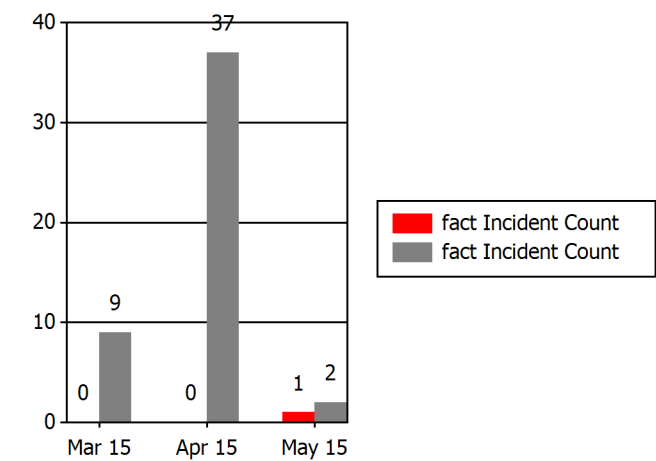
Top 10 Deliberate Vehicle Fire Locations

Top 10 Rubbish Fire Locations

Street	Incident Count
BEACHWAY, ., LARGS	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	1

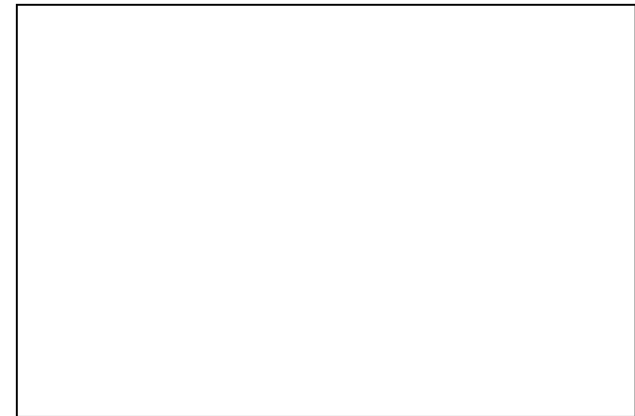
Top 10 Heath and Grass Fire Locations

Street	Incident Count
ALEXANDER AVE, ., LARGS	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	1



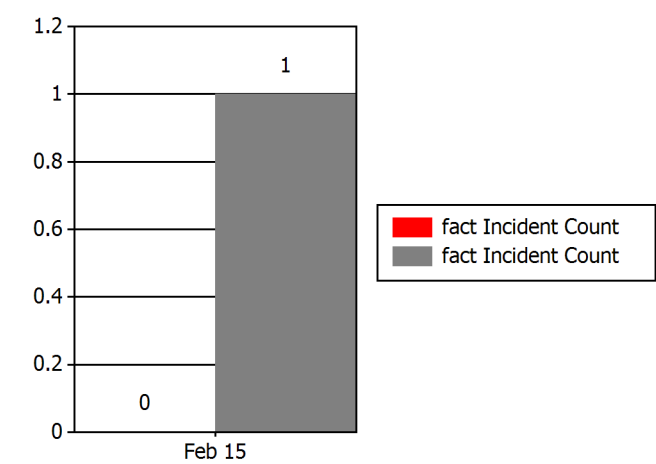
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Top 10 Accidental Derelict Buildings Locations

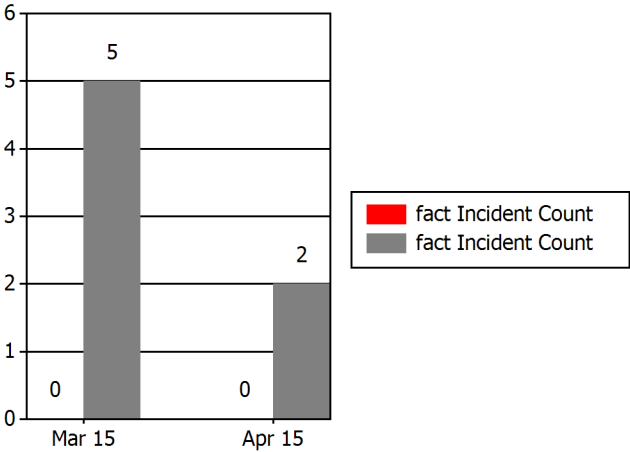
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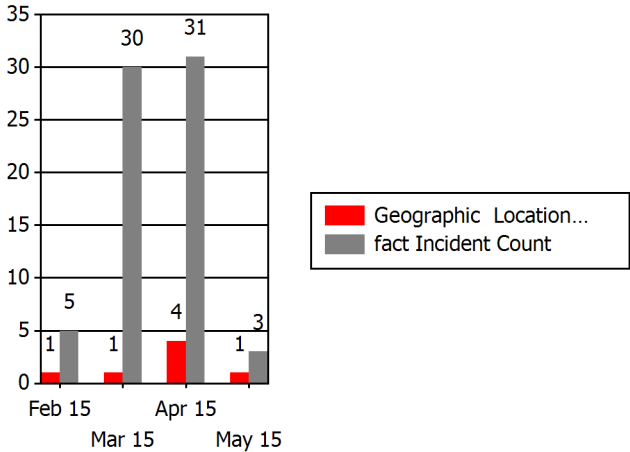
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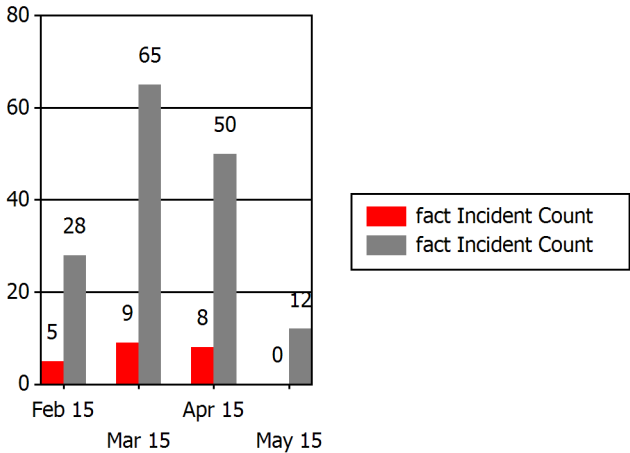
Top 10 Malicious False Alarm Locations



False Alarms: Good Intent



False Alarms: Equipment Fault



Road Traffic Collisions

Top 10 Good Intent False Alarm Locations

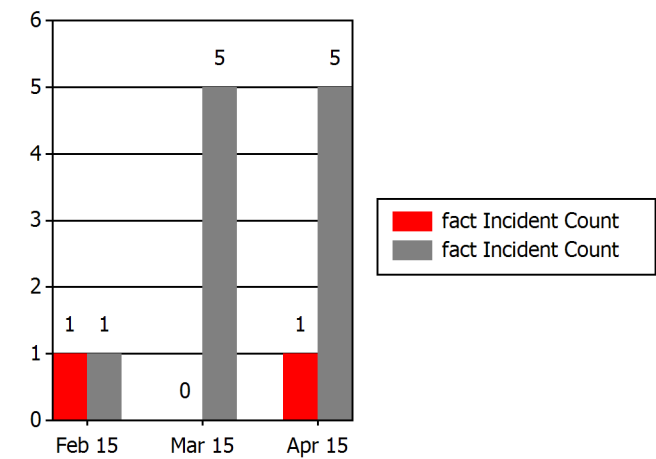
Street	Incident Count
BARR FARM, ., SKELMORLIE	1
BRISBANE ST, ., LARGS	1
INNES PARK RD, ., SKELMORLIE	1
MOORBURN RD, ., LARGS	1
SHORE RD, ., SKELMORLIE	1
UNDERBANK, ., LARGS	1
WATERSIDE ST, ., LARGS	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	7

Top 10 Equipment Fault False Alarm Locations

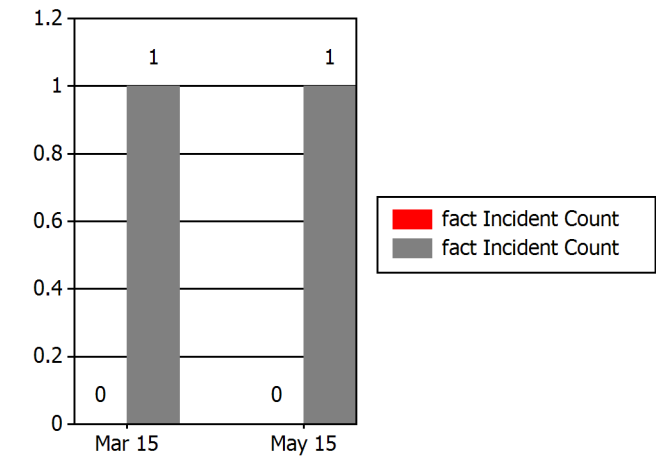
Street	Incident Count
COLLEGE ST, MILLPORT, CUMBRAE	3
GREENOCK RD, ., LARGS	3
BURNSIDE RD, ., LARGS	2
IRVINE RD, ., LARGS	2
KELBURN CASTLE, ., FAIRLIE	2
SHORE RD, ., SKELMORLIE	2
B896, MILLPORT, CUMBRAE	1
BALLIKILLET FARM, MILLPORT, CUMBRAE	1
BRISBANE RD, ., LARGS	1
MAIN ST, ., LARGS	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	22

Top 10 Road Traffic Collision Locations

Street	Incident Count
SETON TERR, ., SKELMORLIE	1
SHORE RD, ., SKELMORLIE	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	2

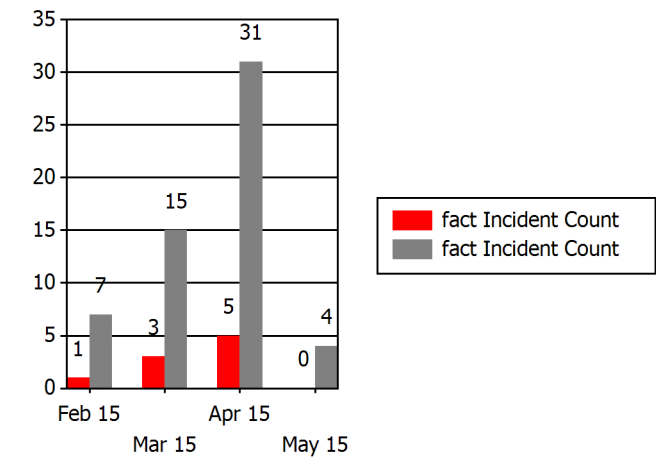


Water Related Incidents



Top 10 Water Related Incident Locations

Other Special Services*



Top 10 Other Special Services* Locations

Street	Incident Count
BEACHWAY, ., LARGS	2
BRISBANE RD, ., LARGS	2
BARR FARM, ., SKELMORLIE	1
COLLEGE ST, MILLPORT, CUMBRAE	1
HOLEHOUSE CRT, ., LARGS	1
NEWHAVEN GROV, ., LARGS	1
RITCHIE ST, MILLPORT, CUMBRAE	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	9

* - Excluding road traffic collisions and water related incidents

Report Description

Given a date range, council and ward, this report provides demographic, incident, casualty and fatality information in tabular format. It also charts and lists the top ten street locations for a chosen list of incident types.

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 4.1

21 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

Subject: **Economy & Communities Update - Largs**

Purpose: To update the Committee on actions taken in relation to the list of projects and issues provided by the Chair, as well as any other relevant activity undertaken by the Directorate.

Recommendation: That the Committee notes the update contained within the report.

1. Introduction

- 1.1. In March 2015, the Chair of the North Coast Area Committee requested regular updates on a list of projects and issues pertinent to the North Coast area. At the last Committee meeting, an update for those projects and issues within the remit of the Economy and Communities Directorate was provided verbally, with the understanding that future updates would be provided in report format.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 Updates are provided on projects/issues of interest to the Area Committee as follows:

Largs Forestry Proposals

A significant area of new woodland is proposed on land extending to c.1400 ha to the east of Largs at Halkshill and Blairpark. It is also intended to develop a hydro-electric project on the Gogo and Greeto Waters.

A planning application (ref: 15/00167/PP) for the hydro scheme on the Greeto Water has been lodged and is currently being considered.

In terms of the forestry proposal, this is still with the Forestry Commission for consideration and the Council has not been consulted as yet. Indicative timescales for consultation are currently early summer.

A round table meeting between elected Members, officers, Aitchesse and UPM Tilhill (the consultants representing the landowner) was held on 27th April to discuss in detail the scope and nature of the proposals in advance of formal consultation.

Events

St Mary's PS are working with Ayrshire Opera Experience to develop the first children's opera in Scots (based on the Oor Wullie at the Viking Festival picture) which will be premiered during the Viking Festival.

Archaeology Scotland are carrying out some work at the Haylie Chambered Cairn in Largs on the 4th and 5th July. With the help of local volunteers and the Adopt A Monument initiative, they will be clearing vegetation and some bracken and brambles from within the tomb. They will also be doing a survey and some photography and photogrammetry which produces a 3D image and, hopefully as a result, popularising the area's archaeology more widely .

Officers have worked with them on the necessary permissions and to link them in to some local groups who may be interested in assisting.

Largs Fun Weekend will be taking place at Broomfields on the same weekend. The group are keen to also tie in with the event and raise awareness of the heritage in the area. They hope to site an interpretation board at the Cairn at a later date. Officers will again assist where possible.

Business Support and Development & Employability

To align with North Ayrshire Council's neighbourhood planning strategy, the Business Support & Development and Employability Teams have recently adopted a geographical approach in order to align activity with the six key areas of Arran, Irvine, the Three Towns, Kilwinning, the Garnock Valley and North Coast & Cumbraes.

As a result, the below teams and staff are the dedicated contacts for the North Coast & Cumbraes towns. They will be working hard in the coming year to develop a deeper understanding of the economic challenges specific to the North Coast and Cumbraes, expand their private sector network in order to better support our local SMEs, and communicate more regularly and effectively with Elected Members in the area:

Business Growth Team (Stuart Munro) - Stuart manages a portfolio of high growth companies based in the North Coast & Cumbraes. He will be working with them pro-actively to develop growth action plans and to provide quality support to help them expand and increase employment. He will utilise the stakeholder network that has recently been enhanced by the Team North Ayrshire initiative, bringing together key partners to support these companies. Stuart has engaged with the Largs Business Improvement District and other support organisations in the North Coast area. At present Stuart's portfolio contains the following companies: Seamill Hydro, Cumbrae Oysters Ltd, Opus Couture, Fairlie Furniture Works, Coastworks Operations Ltd, Maritime Craft Services, Largs Matters, Nardini's of Largs Ltd, Largs Printing Company, Largs Yacht Haven Ltd, John Pearson Motors Ltd, Nicolson Maps, Get To Grips With Grants and Flamingo Yacht Charters.

Business Team (Steven Rieley) - Steven is developing a portfolio of early stage growth companies and entrepreneurs within the North Coast & Cumbraes area. He will be working with colleagues in the Business Gateway service to identify clients with early stage growth potential, and support them to develop growth action plans which will allow them to move up the value chain and into the Business Growth Team (mentioned above). This is a new service which is in the early stages of development, however Steven's portfolio currently consists of: Essential Home Improvements Ltd, Haylie Hotel, Stewart Associates, Robert F Duff and Co, Cloud-Nueve UK Ltd, SC Waste Management Ltd, Hutton Park, DDZ Marine Ltd and Total Turfing Ltd.

Employability and Skills Team (Robert Martin) - Robert is responsible for delivering the Modern Apprenticeship programme in the North Coast Area, as well as being the key contact for employability and skills in that area. Stuart and Steven drive the activity to Robert as they engage with the North Coast business base and collectively they will work in the coming year on supporting North Coast residents into sustained employment and to up-skill. A suite of employability and skills projects are currently being finalised, which will also be promoted in the area, such as youth wage subsidy employment grants for local companies who recruit an unemployment North Ayrshire resident.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 The Committee are asked to note the update provided within this report.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

4.1 None.

Human Resource Implications

4.2 None.

Legal Implications

4.3 None.

Equality Implications

4.4 None.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

4.5 None.

Implications for Key Priorities

4.6 None.

5. Consultations

5.1 None.

6. Conclusion

6.1 This report is the second regular update on a list of current projects and priorities within the North Coast area. Members are asked to note the update within the report.



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Background Papers

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NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 4.2

21 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

Subject: **Major Projects Update - Largs**

Purpose: To update the Committee on major construction projects being undertaken by the Council.

Recommendation: The Committee is asked to note the progress being made by the Council in the delivery of major property related projects within the Largs area.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Property Management & Investment (PMI) is responsible for the design development, project management and delivery of the Council's major property related projects.
- 1.2 This report is intend to provide the members of the North Coast Area Committee with an update on the current major property projects underway within the Largs area.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 The Council is currently working on the delivery of two major projects within the North Coast area. The progress being made with each of these is outlined as follows:

2.2 Proposed Largs Campus

- 2.2.1 On 10 March 2015 a report on the consultation on the future of early years, primary and secondary education provision in Largs was presented to and approved by Cabinet. The key recommendations approved by Cabinet included the following:
 - To develop a campus in Largs at Inverclyde Sports Centre, by relocating Largs Academy, amalgamating Brisbane and Kelburn Primary Schools, relocating St Marys Primary School and creating a new early years centre;
 - The reinstatement of free school transport on the mainland for young people travelling from Cumbraes (effective from the opening of the new campus);

- The proposal to enter into a thirty year agreement with Sportscotland that will allow pupils to access professional standard sports pitches within Inverclyde National Sports Centre; and
- Progression of the acquisition of the required development land at the national sports centre (subject to a number of suspensive conditions).

2.2.2 On receipt of Cabinet approval, the Scottish Ministers were notified of the Council's decision to progress with the new campus proposals. The Scottish Ministers have an eight week period to consider whether they will issue a notice to the Council to call-in the proposal. In taking the decision whether to issue a call-in notice, the Scottish Ministers are required "to take account of any relevant representations made to them (by any person) within the first three weeks of that eight week period."

2.2.3 The formal approval (or otherwise) is expected to be issued by the Scottish Ministers during May 2015.

2.2.4 The proposed new campus is being part funded via the Scottish Government's "Schools For The Future" programme, which is administered on their behalf by The Scottish Futures Trust (SFT). In order to successfully draw-down this funding there is a requirement to have the school operational by March 2018.

2.2.5 Morrison Construction Limited (MCS) has been identified as the preferred bidder for the project. At present MCS are developing preparatory concept design proposals and options for the campus. Assuming Scottish Ministers' approval will be forthcoming, it would be the intention to consult fully with the school communities and undertake a full stakeholder engagement exercise on the campus design proposals. Beyond the production of this preparatory design information, there is currently no commitment or contractual agreement between the Council and MCS.

2.3 Stevenson Court and Stevenson Day Care & Resource Centre

2.3.1 This project is a joint development which will result in a Social Services day-care centre and 11 amenity flats for rent being delivered on the site of the former Stevenson Institute.

2.3.2 The completed project has now been handed over by the contractor, Ashleigh Construction Limited, with practical completion being achieved on 24 April.

2.3.3 An official opening event for the development is currently being organised. It is anticipated that this event will take place during mid-June.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 It is proposed that the Committee note progress being made with the delivery of the two major projects within the North Coast area.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 Capital budget approval is in place for the two noted projects.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 There are no human resource implications associated with this report.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 Legal Services form part of the project delivery team for the noted projects. All necessary advice is received as required.

Equality Implications

- 4.4 There will be no negative impact to stakeholders as a result of the proposals within this report.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

- 4.5 Consideration of the environmental impact of each of these projects is reviewed at the design development stage of each project, with appropriate renewable technology and energy efficient technology being utilised where possible.

Implications for Key Priorities

- 4.6 The contents of the report will support the following Council core objectives:

- Regenerating our communities and increasing employment;
- Protecting vulnerable people;
- Improving educational attainment; and
- Operating more efficiently and effectively.

Community Benefit Implications

- 4.7 The award of each of the three construction projects is subject to the Council's Targeted Recruitment & Training (TRT) Policy.

5. Consultations

- 5.1 Extensive consultation has taken place involving Education & Youth Employment, Social Services, Legal Services, Economies & Communities, Corporate Procurement, Building Standards and Planning Services.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 The Committee is asked to note the progress being made by the Council in the delivery of major construction projects within the Largs area.



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Background Papers

None

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 5.1

21 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

Subject: **Economy & Communities Update - Fairlie**

Purpose: To update the Committee on actions taken in relation to the list of projects and issues provided by the Chair.

Recommendation: That the Committee notes the update contained within the report.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 In March 2015, the Chair of the North Coast Area Committee requested regular updates on a list of projects and issues pertinent to the North Coast area. At the last Committee meeting, an update for those projects and issues within the remit of the Economy and Communities Directorate was provided verbally, with the understanding that future updates would be provided in report format.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 Updates are provided on projects/issues of interest to the Area Committee as follows:

A78

A representative from the Economy & Communities Directorate attended a meeting of the Fairlie Safer Roads Group (FSRG) in April. At the meeting, a presentation was provided by Transport Scotland on an innovative project involving the phasing of the traffic signals in Fairlie. The traffic signals are now operational and are activated by traffic exceeding the posted speed limit and will turn to red to reduce vehicle speeds. Signing is also to be provided to inform drivers. The speed limit in Fairlie will not be reduced to 20mph at this time and the effects of the new signalling arrangements will be monitored for at least the next 12 months and the data fed back to the group. FSRG were satisfied with this action and proposed monitoring.

Discussions have taken place with Fergusson Coal regarding vehicles passing through Fairlie. They have agreed to participate in any Transport Partnership. Discussions on how best to take this forward to include other haulage contractors is currently under discussion with FSRG and other stakeholders. It is envisaged that local Members would also be included within the partnership.

Hunterston

Discussions between the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) and Clydeport are ongoing and a meeting is planned for June to discuss matters further.

Radioactive Waste

As Members are aware, a live application for a variation to EDF's authorisation license at Hunterston B was lodged with SEPA (Scottish Environmental Protection Agency) last year. SEPA has had a response from EDF with regard to the further information request made in January (as reported at the last Committee meeting). SEPA are currently assessing this information.

Shore Path

In terms of the Fairlie Shore Path, the following updates for the two phases of the project are as follows:

Phase 1 Coastal Path Bay Street to South Car Park: Site visits are in the process of being undertaken with neighbouring landowners to further investigate and identify potential solutions to the drainage issues. The outcome of these site visits will inform the development of the designs for the next stage of the consultation. This process has highlighted that further consultation may also be required with neighbouring landowners prior to the formal consultation process to address any outstanding issues as far as possible.

The funding package for the project will be considered by Cabinet on 26 May 2015. This is comprised of £225,000 from Sustrans' Community Links Fund and £180,000 from Strathclyde Partnership for Transport's Capital Programme. The next stage of consultation will now be undertaken in May 2015 after Cabinet has considered the funding package and further landowner consultation has been undertaken. Any works to be undertaken between the Hunterston Roundabout and the South Car Park will be consulted on alongside Phase One and undertaken in 2015/16 as appropriate.

Phase 2 South Car Park to Hunterston Roundabout: The works on this section of path will be complete by mid May 2015. There has been a slight delay to the works to address ground conditions which were not identified through the initial survey process. Solar lighting and signage will be installed on the sections of the route which are remote from the A78 thereafter.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 The Committee are asked to note the update provided within this report.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 None.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 None.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 None.

Equality Implications

- 4.4 None.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

- 4.5 None.

Implications for Key Priorities

- 4.6 None.

5. Consultations

- 5.1 None.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 This report is the second regular update on a list of current projects and priorities within the North Coast area. Members are asked to note the update within the report.



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NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 6.1

21 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

Subject: **Economy & Communities Update - Cumbrae**

Purpose: To update the Committee on actions taken in relation to the list of projects and issues provided by the Chair.

Recommendation: That the Committee notes the update contained within the report.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 In March 2015, the Chair of the North Coast Area Committee requested regular updates on a list of projects and issues pertinent to the North Coast area. At the last Committee meeting, an update for those projects and issues within the remit of the Economy and Communities Directorate was provided verbally, with the understanding that future updates would be provided in report format.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 Updates are provided on projects/issues of interest to the Area Committee as follows:

Conservation

Officers submitted bids to the Heritage Lottery Fund (£1.2m) and Historic Scotland (£800k) for investment in the Millport Conservation Area in August 2014. While the Council was advised in February 2015 that the bid for HLF funding was unsuccessful, confirmation was received on 30th March that our bid for funding of £750,000 for a Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) from Historic Scotland has been successful.

This will enable the implementation of a Millport CARS from late 2015 -2020. In advance of the launch of the CARS, officers will confirm the scope of the project with Historic Scotland including the priority buildings upon which expenditure will be focused. This may include the Town Hall, Garrison Stables, and/or the Pier/George Hotel.

The CARS will also see the implementation of property improvement and shopfront improvement grant schemes for property owners within a defined area and business/marketing support for local businesses.

Garrison Stables

Compulsory Purchase Order of the Garrison Stables building has previously been suggested by Members.

Two options are considered to be available for the building:

- i) The owner is approached to seek discussions and given the potential of funding support to enable the positive redevelopment of the property without recourse to CPO procedures. Officers have written to the owner of the property to seek a meeting to determine their future plans for the building, to refer to the recent award of funding support from Historic Scotland, and to the need to promote a positive use for the building.
- ii) Subject to i) not delivering sufficient progress, a specific proposal for the property should be identified and developed. This would require to demonstrate a positive use for the building and provide sufficient justification for the use of compulsory purchase processes. The best way to do this would be through the production of a masterplan for the Garrison House grounds alongside the CCDC, and for approval by the Council. Officers met with the CCDC on 28th April to discuss the production of a masterplan.

The case for any CPO would require to be approved by the Council, and ultimately be determined by the Scottish Government. In deciding whether to confirm a CPO Scottish Ministers would weigh up the public benefit in the proposals against the interests of the people affected.

Cumbræ Economic Development

The above issues were discussed at a recent Cumbræ Economic Development public consultation event on 30th March. This event involved the local community and community groups, businesses, and partner agencies such as the Field Studies Council and Highlands and Islands Enterprise. The event took the form of a workshop where the background was set out (policy context challenges, demographic and employment statistics, public sector investment, and community projects) before a discussion on how the economy of the island may be developed. This was based upon a proposal for an action plan considering four themes of economic infrastructure, the visitor economy, the Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme, and community activity.

The intention is not to produce another version of the Cumbrae Community Development Plan, but a more focused action plan based upon key priorities along with a mechanism for its implementation. While playing a role where possible and in bringing together activity, the Council is likely to focus on projects such as the CARS, Pier/George Hotel, Garrison grounds masterplan, how to respond to the introduction of Road Equivalent Tariff, and a review of planning policies for the Island.

Considering the discussion at the event a draft action plan is currently being developed with a view to a further workshop/presentation on the Island in the summer.

Fuel Provision

Reports providing an update on analysis of the potential for a community fuel facility on Cumbrae were provided to the North Coast Area Committee in November 2013, May, June and October 2014, and March 2015. For a facility to be viable, it would require to be taken forward by a community group. While officers would assist in this process, ultimately a suitable community group requires to show a sufficient level of interest and capacity to deliver the project. It remains the case that no such group has come forward to date.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 The Committee are asked to note the update provided within this report.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 None.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 None.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 None.

Equality Implication

- 4.4 None.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

4.5 None.

Implications for Key Priorities

4.6 None.

5. Consultations

5.1 None.

6. Conclusion

6.1 This report is the second regular update on a list of current projects and priorities within the North Coast area. Members are asked to note the update within the report.



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NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 6.2

21 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

Subject: **Housing Needs & Demand Assessment (Cumbrae)**

Purpose: To provide the Committee with details of the 2013 Housing Needs & Demand Assessment undertaken in respect of the Isle of Cumbrae.

Recommendation: That the Committee notes the content of this report.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 In 2013 Cabinet approved the findings of the Housing Needs & Demand Assessment: Isle of Arran and Isle of Cumbrae (HNDA), for strategic planning purposes.
- 1.2 The HNDA was the result of an independent study, led by Craigforth Consultancy, which complies with Scottish Government guidance. It assessed the housing related needs and demands of people living in, or looking to return to, the islands.
- 1.3 It should be noted, that unlike the Mainland Housing Needs & Demand Assessment, the island assessment can not be designated as 'robust and credible' by the Scottish Government's Centre for Housing Market Analysis (CHMA). The reason for this is that the CHMA have advised that the data samples used in the study are too small for the 'robust and credible' test to be applied. Data samples are small as the geographical locations covered by the assessment are small.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 The study found that there are 1,317 residential properties on Cumbrae, c.87% of which are in private ownership. Social housing accounts for c.13% of the island's housing provision.
- 2.2 Cumbrae's stock profile is very distinctive, with over 50% of homes being flatted. This is not consistent with other rural areas, where houses are the norm.
- 2.3 The study also found that there are some imbalances in Cumbrae's housing system which is skewed towards low value properties, with limited choice for family housing.
- 2.4 Second/holiday homes account for 35% of residential properties on Cumbrae.

- 2.5 Across all tenures the vacancy rate in 2013 was 8%. Practice suggests vacancy rates of 3-5% are typical, whilst rates of 7+% may indicate relatively weak demand.
- 2.6 In terms of private rental, affordability is measured at rental charges equal or less than 25% of gross income. The study found that on Cumbrae:
- single earner households in low paid employment could struggle to find somewhere to live. The situation is severe for low paid households who require 2 or more bedrooms (unless in receipt of Housing Benefit);
 - single earner households earning a median wage of £21,308 would be able to afford 1 or 2 bedroom properties, but would struggle if 3 or more bedrooms were required; and
 - households with two adults in full time low paid work would be unlikely to experience significant affordability pressures.
- 2.7 There is a risk that the population of Cumbrae will start to decline slowly due to the high proportion of those aged 45 years and over. The island will experience a rapidly aging demographic over the next 10 years, unless there is a significant form of intervention to reverse trends and attract younger residents.
- 2.8 Despite the risk of a declining population, it is anticipated that the number of Cumbrae households will continue to increase over the next 10 years. This is due to the trend towards smaller, older households.
- 2.9 The study noted that the majority of households feel that their current home is adequate for their household's needs. Nevertheless, the evidence shows that there is a trend for households having to move as their needs become more complex with age, or as a result of deterioration in health and mobility. Analysis of the survey findings indicates:
- 42% of Cumbrae households include at least one person with a long-term illness and disability that affects their daily activities; and
 - 1 in 20 of all residents have a (self-assessed) un-met need for adaptations and support services.
- 2.10 The growth in the number of older households is likely to bring additional pressures. The pace and scale of future household growth remains very uncertain and much will depend on further economic changes and whether new employment opportunities will increase in-migration/reduce out-migration.

- 2.11 The assessment calculated 'net annual future need' (Table 1). This is an indication of overall housing shortfall, but does not indicate the type or size of housing required. The complex formula used to identify the 'net annual future need' figure considers multiple measures including 'annual supply of affordable housing', 'backlog of current need', and 'newly arising need'.

Table 1: Net Annual Future Needs 2013-2022 (Source: HNDA, p100, Table 7.6)

	2013	2014	2015	2016
Cumrae	1	2	3	4

- 2.12 The impact of not addressing the shortfall is shown as an accumulating figure until 2016, and would continue thereafter.
- 2.13 The study found that the housing shortfall on the island is negligible. On Cumrae the challenge is the mismatch between the housing which is sought, and the property that is available. If the Cumrae population continues to age as forecast, the lack of suitable property (eg. level access or adapted) is likely to become increasingly more pronounced unless ways can be found to re-balance the profile of the housing stock, particularly in the social rented sector.
- 2.14 Historically, increasing the supply of affordable housing on the islands has always been difficult due to the higher development costs. The reduction in Scottish Government development subsidy rates (which date to around the same time as the study was undertaken), has also made it more challenging for some organisations to develop social housing on the islands.
- 2.15 Furthermore, the impact of Welfare Reform, and subsequent risk to increased rental arrears, could inhibit some organisations from securing private finance, resulting in a potential further reduction in new affordable housing projects.
- 2.16 The issue of second homes remains a matter of some controversy, and a balanced approach and well thought out strategy will be required to help resolve this issue.
- 2.17 The increase in vacancy rates suggests there may be a some potential to make better use of unoccupied properties to address affordable housing needs. However, much would depend on the willingness of the property owner to sell or lease their property, the location and type of such properties, and the economic viability of bringing any empty units back into use.

- 2.18 The study noted that the economic downturn and the contraction of the labour market would shape housing need and demand patterns, but the nature of these effects would remain uncertain. On Cumbrae, the local economy is highly dependant on public sector investment and employment. This suggests that future prospects will depend on the extent to which a more diverse economy can deliver greater levels of employment in the private sector.
- 2.19 The process of developing a new Local Housing Strategy will commence during 2015. The findings of the HNDA will be used to help inform the strategic direction identified for housing on Cumbrae over the lifetime of that strategy.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 It is proposed that the Committee note the contents of this report.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 There are no HR arising from this report.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Equality Implications

- 4.4 By managing the supply of suitable and affordable housing, the Council is maximising its potential to meet the housing needs of those for whom social rented housing is a viable housing solution.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

- 4.5 There are no environmental and sustainability implications arising from this report.

Implications for Key Priorities

- 4.6 The findings and recommendations of the HNDA support the Single Outcome Agreement between North Ayrshire Council and the Scottish Government, specifically National Outcome 10 "We live in well-defined, sustainable places where we are able to access the amenity and services we need", and Local Outcome 10b "Availability of affordable housing has improved".

5. Consultations

- 5.1 A multi-agency steering group was set up to oversee the HNDA process. Group members included representatives from:
- North Ayrshire Council Housing Services;
 - North Ayrshire Council Planning Services;
 - Cunninghame Housing Association;
 - Irvine Housing Association;
 - Trust Housing Association;
 - Isle of Arran Homes; and
 - Cumbrae Elderly Forum.
- 5.2 A postal survey was issued to all residents on the edited electoral register, and this was cross- referenced with Council Tax Register and North Ayrshire Housing Register information, to ensure the survey sample provided the best possible coverage.
- 5.3 The study team also carried out 48 interviews with stakeholders in the following groups:
- older residents and those with particular housing needs;
 - those in employment with low incomes;
 - concealed or potential households seeking to move within 5 years; and
 - second home owners, in-migrants and returners.
- 5.4 Focus groups were also held with Cumbrae residents to explore housing issues and problems on the islands, and to identify perceptions and preferences. These will need to be taken into account when shaping future policy options.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 The HNDA outlined in this report is the result of a comprehensive and independent study, carried out on behalf of the Council by Craigforth Consultancy.

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CRAIG HATTON
Executive Director (Place)

Reference :

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Background Papers

Housing Needs & Demand Assessment: Isle of Arran and Isle of Cumbrae

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 6.3

21 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

Subject: **Major Projects Update - Cumbrae**

Purpose: To update the Committee on major construction projects being undertaken by the Council on Cumbrae.

Recommendation: It is proposed that the Committee note progress being made with the delivery of the new accommodation block and teaching facility at the Marine Biological Station, Millport.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Property Management & Investment (PMI) is responsible for the design development, project management and delivery of the Council's major property related projects.
- 1.2 This report is intend to provide the members of the North Coast Area Committee with an update on the current major property projects underway on Cumbrae.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 The Council is currently working on the delivery of a new accommodation block and teaching facility at the Marine Biological Station, Millport. Progress is outlined as follows:

2.4 Millport Marine Biological Station

- 2.4.1 The new accommodation block and teaching facility at the Millport Marine Biological Station (MMBS) will result in accommodation for 62 people being created (including two fully adapted accessible rooms), a new conference facility and a lecture theatre.
- 2.4.2 This project is being funded by the Council, the Scottish Government and Highlands & Islands Enterprise and will result in the Fields Study Council (FCS) being granted a 25-year lease over the new-build facility.

2.4.3 This new facility is being constructed utilising modular units, with all units now on-site.

2.4.4 The hand-over date for the project is 27 May 2015, with FCS taking possession of the facility immediately thereafter.

3. Proposals

3.1 It is proposed that the Committee note progress being made with the delivery of the new accommodation block and teaching facility at the Marine Biological Station, Millport.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

4.1 Capital budget approval is in place for the three noted projects.

Human Resource Implications

4.2 There are no human resource implications associated with this report.

Legal Implications

4.3 Legal Services form part of the project delivery team for the noted projects. All necessary advice is received as required.

Equality Implications

4.4 There will be no negative impact to stakeholders as a result of the proposals within this report.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

4.5 Consideration of the environmental impact of each of these projects is reviewed at the design development stage of each project, with appropriate renewable technology and energy efficient technology being utilised where possible.

Implications for Key Priorities

4.6 The contents of the report will support the following Council core objectives:

- Regenerating our communities and increasing employment;
- Protecting vulnerable people;
- Improving educational attainment; and
- Operating more efficiently and effectively.

Community Benefit Implications

- 4.7 The award of each of the three construction projects is subject to the Council's Targeted Recruitment & Training (TRT) Policy.

5. Consultations

- 5.1 Extensive consultation has taken place involving Legal Services, Economies & Communities, Corporate Procurement, Building Standards and Planning Services.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 The Committee is asked to note the progress being made by the Council in the delivery of major construction project on Cumbrae.



CRAIG HATTON
Executive Director (Place)

Reference : CH/DT/LB

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Background Papers

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NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 7.1

21 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

Subject: **Economy & Communities Update - Skelmorlie**

Purpose: To update the Committee on actions taken in relation to the list of projects and issues provided by the Chair.

Recommendation: That the Committee notes the update contained within the report.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 In March 2015, the Chair of the North Coast Area Committee requested regular updates on a list of projects and issues pertinent to the North Coast area. At the last Committee meeting, an update for those projects and issues within the remit of the Economy and Communities Directorate was provided verbally, with the understanding that future updates would be provided in report format.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 Updates are provided on projects/issues of interest to the Area Committee as follows:

Skelmorlie Cross

The options to alleviate the traffic concerns at Skelmorlie Cross are as follows:

1. Remove both bus stops, markings, and shelter permanently. Advise operators not to stop there.
2. Remove (burn off) the bus stop marking from the Spar side, retaining the stop.
3. Remove the bus stop and marking permanently from the Spar side, advise operators to only use the stop on the Eglinton Arms side.
4. Request a review delivery times for the Spar and Eglinton Arms so that deliveries do not all happen at the same time.

5. Request a reconsideration of the size of delivery vehicles to a size that better suits the character of Skelmorlie.
6. Relocation of the school pick-up point.
7. A combination of some of the above.

2.2 The options were circulated to local Members with a request for them to discuss with Skelmorlie Community Council for feedback. A response is awaited.

3. Proposals

3.1 The Committee are asked to note the update provided within this report.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

4.1 None.

Human Resource Implications

4.2 None.

Legal Implications

4.3 None.

Equality Implications

4.4 None.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

4.5 None.

Implications for Key Priorities

4.6 None.

5. Consultations

5.1 None.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 This report is the second regular update on a list of current projects and priorities within the North Coast area. Members are asked to note the update within the report.



KAREN YEOMANS
Executive Director (Economy and Communities)

Reference : DH

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Background Papers

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NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 8

21 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

Subject: **Community Development Grants Scheme and Local Youth Action Fund: Applications for Financial Assistance**

Purpose: To advise the Committee of applications received in respect of the Community Development Grants Scheme and the Local Youth Action Fund.

Recommendation: That the Committee considers and determines the applications as outlined in the attached appendix.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Economy and Communities agreed to a budget of £11,640 being available to the North Coast and Cumbrae Area Committee in respect of the Community Development Grants Scheme in financial year 2015/16.
- 1.2 As previously agreed the Community Development Grants budget will be released in two instalments (50% in April and 50% in September) with flexibility to vary the two phased instalments by up to 20%. This arrangement assists Members to monitor allocations and phase grants to cover applications for seasonal events such as galas, festival summer outing and Christmas events.
- 1.3 The sum of £4,650 is available for disbursement from the Local Youth Action Fund in financial year 2015/16. This is a reduction of 8.34% from financial year 2014/15, please see Appendix 1 of this report.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 Applications have been received within a number of categories of the Community Development Grant Scheme and the Local Youth Action Fund. Details of these applications are summarised in Appendix 2 of this report.
- 2.2 The Community Development Grant Scheme Award has a balance of £5,820 from phase one of the 50% split available for disbursement.
- 2.3 The Local Youth Action Fund has a balance of £4,650 available for disbursement.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 It is proposed that the Committee considers the applications as outlined in Appendix 2 of this report.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 Awards will be met from the available balances.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 There are no human resource implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Equality Implications

- 4.4 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

- 4.5 There are no environmental and sustainability implications arising from this report.

Implications for Key Priorities

- 4.6 By supporting the applications listed in Appendix 3 of this report, will assist in achieving outcomes:

Job density increases:

Support is given to the creation of distinctive and vibrant town centres and mechanisms to encourage spend in North Ayrshire are established.

Children's health and wellbeing is improved through breaking the cycle of poverty, inequality and poor outcomes:

Children and young people are nurtured and parents are supported. Children and young people are safe, healthy, active, aspiring and achieving. The life chances of vulnerable children and young people are improved.

Adults and older people in North Ayrshire live healthier and more active lives:

People are more active more often.

North Ayrshire residents feel safer and communities are empowered:

More residents engage in community activities.

5. Consultations

- 5.1 Consultation has taken place between the applicant bodies and the appropriate Officers of the Council.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 Awards from the Community Development Grant Scheme assist community-based projects, including cultural, social, welfare, recreational or sporting based initiatives.
- 6.2 Awards from the Local Youth Action Fund are made to groups supporting young people aged 12 - 25 years of age.



KAREN YEOMANS
Executive Director (Economy and Communities)

Reference : JMCH/BA

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Background Papers

None

Community Development Grant Scheme Award 2015/16

North Coast & Cumbrae Area Committee

Amount Allocated 2013/14: £11,640

Amount Allocated 2014/15: £11,474

Amount Allocated 2015/16: £11,640

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Local Youth Action Fund 2015/16

North Coast , Cumbrae Area Committee

Amount Allocated 2013/14: £5,072

Amount Allocated 2014/15: £5,072

Amount Allocated 2015/16: £4,650

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Community Development Grants Scheme 2015/16				
Applications from Organisations seeking Financial Assistance - North Coast & Cumbrae Area Committee Meeting - 21 May 2015				
Organisation	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
<p>Pupils Out of School Care Club</p> <p>Meeting place: Largs Community Centre</p> <p>Established: 1998</p> <p>Numbers attending: 32+</p> <p>Balance in bank: £10,295.12 (to cover day to day expenses e.g. staff salaries, room hire, snacks, equipment, insurance etc).</p> <p>Past awards: CDGS 2014/15 awarded £1,359 towards summer activities.</p>	<p>Costs towards summer programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bus hires for various trips - £1,150 • Ferry to Millport - £60 • Hunterston Bay trip - £88.40 • Ardrossan trips x 2 - £103.20 • Saltcoats Bowling Club trip x 2 - £110.40 • Irvine beach trip - £109.20 <p>Total cost of project - £3,935.50 (not all items listed in this application)</p>	£1,621.20	£1,527.65	<p>The group are planning an educational and varied programme of events for the children, including trips to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eglinton Country Park • The Science Centre • Blairdrummond • RSPB at Lochwinnoch <p>There will also be a mix of outdoor and indoor activities.</p> <p>The recommended amount will enable the club to fund the transport costs which will benefit the children attending by extending their learning outwith the school environment.</p>
<p>The Butterfly Club</p> <p>Meeting place: James McFarlane School, Ardrossan</p> <p>Established: October 2010</p> <p>Numbers attending: 32</p> <p>Balance in bank: £59,919.90 (payment of the costs associated with running the summer club).</p> <p>Past awards: CDGS - AASS Area Committee 2012/13 awarded £2,183 towards summer club activities.</p>	<p>Costs towards summer club activities and IT equipment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laptop computer - £399.99 • 3 in one wireless printer - £99.99 • Printer ink cartridges x 4 - £87.96 • Disposable camera x 40 - £145.95 • Photo printing - £200 • Laptop protective carry case - £12.99 <p>Total cost of project - £73,978 (not all items are listed in this application)</p>	£946.88	£858.56 (£111.28 from this Area Committee)	<p>The recommended amount is pro-rata to those residing in the North Coast & Cumbrae area:</p> <p>North Coast & Cumbrae - 4 = 13%</p> <p>Irvine - 11 = 34%</p> <p>Garnock Valley & West Kilbride - 7 = 22%</p> <p>Ardrossan and Arran, Saltcoats and Stevenston - 7 = 22%</p> <p>Kilwinning - 3 = 9%</p> <p>The IT equipment will develop the group by allowing all records and databases to be accessed on one secure business computer, which is preferable to a personal computer for data protection.</p> <p>Enabling the children to take photographs of their time at the group will enhance their experience and increase parents awareness of what the club provides as well as a providing a permanent record of their child's time there.</p>

Local Youth Action Fund 2015/16				
Applications from Organisations seeking Financial Assistance - North Coast & Cumbrae Area Committee Meeting - 21 May 2015				
Organisation	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
<p>Largs Events</p> <p>Meeting place: Largs Library, Largs</p> <p>Numbers attending: 10-15 in Committee and volunteers</p> <p>Balance in bank: £14,000 (payment towards the event - 2015.)</p> <p>Past awards:</p> <p>CDGS 2013/14 awarded £1,000 toward hire of portaloos and marketing costs. 2014/15 awarded £500 towards Family Fun Day costs.</p> <p>LYAF 2014/15 awarded £1,500 towards junior events package 2014/15 awarded £1,000 towards kite display in schools.</p>	<p>Costs towards Family Fun Day:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kite display & visits to schools - £1,500 • Security for kite area and travel costs - £300 • Tent for volunteers - £600 • Additional adventure activities new for 2015 - £3,000 <p>Total cost of project - £25,000 (not all items listed within application)</p>	£2,000	£2,000	<p>This event has been proven to be a good family day out packed with fun and activities to suit all ages. However, this application is for the young people and the recommended amount will cover the costs of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sound system hire • Stage hire <p>This is for the music festival which is new for 2015.</p>



Community Development Grants Scheme Assessment Form

1. Reporting Officer: Mhairi Cook
2. Department: Connected Communities
Telephone No.: 01294 465591

SECTION 1 - Details of Group/Organisation

3. Name of Group/Organisation: Pupils Out of School Care
4. Date of Officer's Visit: 28 April 2015
5. Are you satisfied that the details contained in the Grant Application are accurate? - Yes

If NO give reasons

6. Is the proposal a realistic undertaking of the group? - Yes

If NO explain why

7. Does the group carry appropriate insurance for the project? - Yes
8. Does group attendance concur with the application? - Yes
9. Does your organisation cater for children under the age of 16 years for more than 2 hours and more than 6 times per year? - Yes

If YES, is it registered with the Care Commission under the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001? -

If NO explain why

10. Does the expenditure meet the Community Development Grant Funding Criteria? - Yes

SECTION 2 - Criteria for Assessment

11. In which way does this application address Council priorities?

Children's health and wellbeing is improved through breaking the cycle of poverty, inequality and poor outcomes:

Children and young people are nurtured and parents are supported.

Children and young people are safe, healthy, active, aspiring and achieving.

12. How will the expenditure develop the group/organisation and benefit the local community?

By providing good quality childcare the group are supporting parents who wish to work, which is of benefit to the local community and North Ayrshire as a whole. Parents can be assured that their children are being well cared for in a stimulating and safe environment. Providing funding for transport costs will allow children attending the group to benefit by taking part in activities and visiting places that they might not otherwise do. Children from 3 primary schools and special schools attend the group. This supports the Health and Wellbeing agenda by allowing children from different backgrounds to mix and interact in a variety of outdoor and indoor settings.

13. How does the application show innovation or development?

The group are planning an educational and varied programme of events for the children, including trips to Eglinton Country Park, the Science Centre, Blairdrummond and the RSPB at Lochwinnoch. There will be a mix of outdoor and indoor activities which support the Curriculum for Excellence, Early Years Framework and local priorities as outlined above. The children attending will continue their learning by participating in a stimulating and fun programme of events with their peers.

14. Overall assessment?

Funding for transport costs will allow the group to deliver their Summer programme of activities which will benefit the children attending by extending their learning outwith the school environment, and support parents who are working. The programme will be of benefit to all the children who participate by allowing them to experience a variety of both outdoor and indoor activities in a number of different locations, many of which may be new to them.

SECTION 3 - Details of Proposed Expenditure

15. Amount Requested: £1,621.20

16. Group Contribution: £300

SECTION 4 - Recommendation

17. Support Application: Yes

18. Defer Application?

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19. Amount recommended: **£1,527.65**
Give reasons

By providing good quality childcare the group are supporting parents who wish to work, which is of benefit to the local community and North Ayrshire as a whole.
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Signature: Mhairi Cook

Date: 5 May 2015



Community Development Grants Scheme Assessment Form

1. Reporting Officer: Mhairi Cook
2. Department: Connected Communities
Telephone No.: 01294 465591

SECTION 1 - Details of Group/Organisation

3. Name of Group/Organisation: The Butterfly Club
4. Date of Officer's Visit: 2 April 2015
5. Are you satisfied that the details contained in the Grant Application are accurate? - Yes

If NO give reasons

6. Is the proposal a realistic undertaking of the group? - Yes

If NO explain why

7. Does the group carry appropriate insurance for the project? - Yes
8. Does group attendance concur with the application? - Yes
9. Does your organisation cater for children under the age of 16 years for more than 2 hours and more than 6 times per year? - Yes

If YES, is it registered with the Care Commission under the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001? -

If NO explain why

10. Does the expenditure meet the Community Development Grant Funding Criteria? - Yes

SECTION 2 - Criteria for Assessment

11. In which way does this application address Council priorities?

Children's health and wellbeing is improved through breaking the cycle of poverty, inequality and poor outcomes:

Children and young people are nurtured and parents are supported.
Children and young people are safe, healthy, active, aspiring and achieving.
The life chances of vulnerable children and young people are improved.

12. How will the expenditure develop the group/organisation and benefit the local community?

The purchase of computer equipment will allow the group's secretary to transfer all databases, records and business to a dedicated computer instead of using her personal computer. This will be used to produce promotional materials for distribution to the local community to raise awareness of the group and the support they provide. It will also be used to provide sponsorship fundraising packs for members of the community who are fundraising for the group and ensure that all the forms and paperwork have the groups charity details included. It will also be used to prepare grant reports for funding and registration procedures throughout the year. Disposable cameras will be given to the children attending the group to take a photo diary over the Summer of activities and events they have participated in. This will be printed off and given to parents as record of their child's achievements. Photos will also be used for evidence and promotional purposes, with the agreement of parents.

13. How does the application show innovation or development?

The equipment will develop the group by allowing all records and databases to be accessed on one secure business computer, which is preferable to a personal computer for data protection. Enabling the children to take photographs of their time at the group will enhance their experience and increase parents awareness of what the club provides as well as providing a permanent record of their child's time there. The group will be able to develop and produce publicity materials to ensure that the wider community is aware of the work that the group does.

14. Overall assessment?

The purchase of a computer will allow the group to conduct their business in a more professional and efficient manner. They will be able to produce evidence and promotional materials, keep parents informed of what is happening, and engage with the wider community regarding the support that they provide.

SECTION 3 - Details of Proposed Expenditure

15. Amount Requested: £946.88

16. Group Contribution: £73,978

SECTION 4 - Recommendation

17. Support Application: Yes

18. Defer Application?

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19. Amount recommended: **£858.56**
Give reasons

The recommended amount will cover the cost of hardware and print photo diaries. The group should cover the cost of consumables themselves.
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Signature: Mhairi Cook

Date: 5 May 2015



Local Youth Action Fund Assessment Form

1. Reporting Officer: Claire Duncan
2. Department: Connected Communities
Telephone No.: 01294 324156

SECTION 1 - Details of Group/Organisation

3. Name of Group/Organisation: Largs Events
4. Date of Officer's Visit: 6 May 2015
5. Are you satisfied that the details contained in the Grant Application are accurate? - Yes

If NO give reasons

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6. Is the proposal a realistic undertaking of the group? - Yes

If NO explain why

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7. Does the group carry appropriate insurance for the project? - Yes
8. Does group attendance concur with the application? - Yes
9. Does your organisation cater for children under the age of 16 years for more than 2 hours and more than 6 times per year? - No

If YES, is it registered with the Care Commission under the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001? -

If NO explain why

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10. Does the expenditure meet the Community Development Grant Funding Criteria? - Yes

SECTION 2 - Criteria for Assessment

11. In which way does this application address Council priorities?

Job density increases:

Support is given to the creation of distinctive and vibrant town centres and mechanisms to encourage spend in North Ayrshire are established.

Children's health and wellbeing is improved through breaking the cycle of poverty, inequality and poor outcomes:

Children and young people are nurtured and parents are supported.

Children and young people are safe, healthy, active, aspiring and achieving.

Adults and older people in North Ayrshire live healthier and more active lives:

People are more active more often.

North Ayrshire residents feel safer and communities are empowered:

More residents engage in community activities.

12. How will the expenditure develop the group/organisation and benefit the local community?

Largs Events seek to provide a weekend of engagement open to all. The last two events have seen the community come together for a fun weekend, with an estimated attendance of 3,000 - 4,000 people.

The educational element of the kite festival, which is an integral part of the weekend, has been increased to 7 schools this year.

13. How does the application show innovation or development?

This year, Largs Events hope to increase the scope of the festival by including more activities than previous years. The Highland Games element will be reduced this year and replaced with a music festival encompassing traditional bands and local groups, hopefully increasing local involvement and providing more opportunities for youngsters.

14. Overall assessment?

The event will be all-inclusive and aimed at all sections of society - young and not so young. The event will not only be advertised in Largs, but throughout the rest of North Ayrshire to attract more people from outside the area into the town.

SECTION 3 - Details of Proposed Expenditure

15. Amount Requested: £2,000

16. Group Contribution: £10,000

SECTION 4 - Recommendation

17. Support Application: Yes

18. Defer Application?

19. Amount recommended: **£2,000**
Give reasons

To go towards funding of stage and sound system, and marquee.

Signature: Claire Duncan

Date: 8 May 2015

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 9

21 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

Subject: **Grants to Elderly Groups**

Purpose: To advise the Committee of the level of funding available for disbursement in the Committee's area in 2015/16.

Recommendation: That the Committee considers and determines the proposed funding available as outlined in the attached appendix 1.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Traditionally grants are paid to elderly groups to fund social events such as summer outings and Christmas lunches. Grants may also be used to support other activities for the benefit of the elderly population in the area, including running costs of centres.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 The attached appendix sets out how the elderly grants budget has been distributed across the Area Committee based on the respective elderly populations of each area (mid point 2014) of elderly people aged 65+) and indicates how monies will be allocated.
- 2.2 Each recipient group is required to complete an application form setting out how they intend to utilise the funding and financial monitoring is undertaken to ensure funds are used appropriately.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 It is proposed that the Committee notes the allocations set out in the attached appendix 1.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 Awards will be made from the Area Committee's allocation of £11,845 from the Economy and Skills grants for elderly groups budget.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 There are no human resource implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Equality Implications

- 4.4 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

- 4.5 There are no environmental and sustainability implications arising from this report.

Implications for Key Priorities

- 4.6 The allocation of funding will contribute to the following single outcome agreements:

Adults and older people in North Ayrshire live healthier and more active lives:

People are more active more often.

Health inequalities have reduced.

Older people are more active and independent within their communities.

5. Consultations

- 5.1 Consultation has taken place between appropriate offices of the Council.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 The award of grants will support the activities of elderly groups within the Committee's area.



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Background Papers

None

Total Budget = £59,530

Change this figure to total grant budget available - other figures will then automatically re-calculate DO NOT CHANGE ANY OTHER FIGURES!

	Population Aged 65+ (MYE 2013)	Areas population aged >65 as % of North Ayrshire's Elderly Population (MYE 2013)	Grant Allocation (£) based on pro-rata allocation
Broomlands/Bourtreehill	604	2.17	£1,293
Lawthorn/Girdle Toll etc	1,265	4.55	£2,708
Dreghorn	767	2.76	£1,642
Drybridge	99	0.36	£212
Springside	307	1.10	£657
Rest of Irvine	4,033	14.50	£8,632
IRVINE	7,075	25.44	£15,143
Kilwinning Burgh	1,661	5.97	£3,555
Kilwinning Landward	1,038	3.73	£2,222
KILWINNING	2,699	9.70	£5,777
Arran	1,487	5.35	£3,183
Stevenston	1,780	6.40	£3,810
Ardrossan	1,973	7.09	£4,223
Saltcoats	2,257	8.11	£4,831
THREE TOWNS & ARRAN	7,497	26.96	£16,046
Kilbirnie/Glengarnock	1,309	4.71	£2,802
West Kilbride	1,151	4.14	£2,464
Beith	1,374	4.94	£2,941
Dalry	1,174	4.22	£2,513
GARNOCK VALLEY & WEST KILBRIDE	5,008	18.01	£10,719
Cumbræ	481	1.73	£1,030
Largs	3,537	12.72	£7,427
Fairlie	714	2.57	£1,528
Skelmorlie	802	2.88	£1,717
NORTH COAST	5,534	19.90	£11,845
NORTH AYRSHIRE	27,813	100.00	£59,530

Source: Small Area Population Estimates Mid 2013, National Records of Scotland

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NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 10

21 May 2015

North Coast Area Committee

Subject: **Largs Common Good Fund : Applications for Financial Assistance**

Purpose: To advise the Committee of applications for financial assistance received in respect of the Largs Common Good Fund.

Recommendation: The Committee is invited to consider the applications outlined in Appendix 1.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Largs Common Good Fund has a balance of £16,734.00 available for disbursement in financial year 2015/16.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 The attached schedule provides details of the applications received for financial assistance.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 It is proposed that the Committee agrees to consider and determine the applications as outlined in the Appendix 1.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 The award of financial assistance can be met from the balance of the Common Good Funding available for disbursement in the current financial year.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 None.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 None.

Equality Implications

- 4.4 None.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

- 4.5 None

Implications for Key Priorities

- 4.6 Levels of voluntary action and community involvement have increased (SOA 11a).

5. Consultations

- 5.1 The Executive Directors (Economy and Communities), (Finance and Corporate Support) and the Legal section have been consulted on the applications and their comments are detailed in Appendix 1 to this report.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 Awards from the Largs Common Good must benefit all, or a significant group, of the inhabitants of Largs.



ELMA MURRAY
Chief Executive

Reference :

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Background Papers

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NORTH COAST AREA COMMITTEE

**LARGS COMMON GOOD FUND
APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 2015/16**

Common Good Criteria -

The application should benefit all or a significant group of the inhabitants of the area to which the Common Good relates

Applicant	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Previous Common Good Awards
Largs Viking Festival	The grant will be used towards costs to run the annual Largs Viking Festival. Specifically the Swords of Dalriada Viking Re-enactors, Security, toilets, first aid, marketing and publicity.	£ 5000	£5000 (2014) £5000 (2013) £6000 (2012) £5000 (2011) £3000 (2010)

Economy & Communities, Finance & Corporate Support, and Legal Services have been consulted and their comments are as follows:

Finance & Corporate Support has reviewed the application and has no objections to the application.

Legal

In terms of Section 15(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1994 the Council in administering the Common Good Fund shall have regard to the interests of the inhabitants of the area to which the Common Good relates.

The application refers to the international class entertainment benefitting local residents, the educational value of the Viking Village for school children and the additional visitors the festival brings to Largs resulting in an extension to the tourist season which is of benefit to local businesses. It works with local and national charities to raise funds to their benefit. Legal are of the view that as the festival aims to benefit all sections of the community the application can be legally justified.

Economy & Communities

The Viking Festival attracts the local community, visitors from all over Scotland and other countries.

It benefits the local community by bringing international class entertainment to Largs; local school children benefit from the educational nature of the Viking Village and local businesses benefit through the increased number of visitors and extension of the tourist season into September.

Economy and Communities are supportive of this application.

Applicant	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Previous Common Good Awards
Largs Events.	The grant would be used towards the Family Weekend held in Barrowfields, Largs costing a total of £24,000.	£ 950	N/A

Economy & Communities, Finance & Corporate Support, and Legal Services have been consulted and their comments are as follows:

Finance & Corporate Support have reviewed the application and advised that the grants applied for total £14,500 and the capital held £14,000, this gives a total of £28,500 and the expected cost is £24,000. The application states there will be a craft fair, stalls and sideshows but does not state if any income will be received which would contribute to the cost of the event

Legal

In terms of Section 15(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1994 the Council in administering the Common Good Fund shall have regard to the interests of the inhabitants of the area to which the Common Good relates.

The application refers to a kite display, craft fair, stall and sideshows, a music festival and a variety of arena events benefitting local residents, school children and the additional visitors the festival brings to Largs which is of benefit to local businesses. Legal are of the view that as the festival aims to benefit all sections of the community the application can be legally justified.

Economy & Communities

Largs Events organises the Largs Family Weekend held at Barrowfields, Largs. This will be their 3rd year. Last year they attracted over 3,000 visitors, which had a healthy impact on the local economy.

Economy and Communities are supportive of the application as the Family Weekend is open to all regardless of age. There is something for all.