Kilwinning Area Committee 27 October 2011

KILWINNING, 27 October 2011 - At a Meeting of the Kilwinning Area Committee of North Ayrshire Council at 2.00 p.m.

Present

John Ferguson, Andrew Chamberlain and Ryan Oldfather.

In Attendance

J. McHarg, Assistant Manager (Community and Culture) (Community Development Team) and B. Anderson, Performance/Grants Information Officer (Education and Skills); and M. Anderson, Committee Services Officer (Chief Executive's Service).

Also In Attendance

Police Constables D. Callaghan and E. Hyslop (Strathclyde Police).

Chair

Councillor Ferguson in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

Margaret McDougall.

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest by Members in terms of Standing Order 16.

2. Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Kilwinning Area Committee held on 15 September 2011 were signed in accordance with paragraph 7(1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

3. Strathclyde Police

Members of the Committee raised with the Police Constables the following issues of local concern:-

- the consumption of alcohol by underage youths, including ongoing Police action plans to tackle the problem in the Main Street, its displacement to the grounds of Kilwinning Abbey, cases of adults purchasing (or being asked to purchase) alcohol for underage drinkers, and health and safety concerns arising from youths climbing the walls of the former abbey;
- action plans in response to the theft of bins; and
- recent and planned action to tackle housebreakings.

The Committee agreed to request the Council's Legal Services to contact Historic Scotland (i) to draw to its attention health and safety concerns raised by the Police in relation to youths climbing the walls of the former abbey and (ii) asking whether consideration could be given, in the circumstances, to withdrawing its previous objection to closing the grounds during evening hours.

4. Community Development Grants Scheme and Local Youth Action Fund - Applications for Financial Assistance

Submitted report by the Corporate Director (Education and Skills) on applications received in respect of the Community Development Grant Scheme and the Local Youth Action Fund.

The Committee agreed to make the following awards:-

Community Development Grants Scheme

Organisation	Award
Woodwynd Parent and Toddlers	£1,400.00
Promoting Kilwinning	£2,500.00
Kilwinning Elderly Forum	£370.00

Local Youth Action Fund

Organisation	Award
Kilwinning Weightlifting Club	£1,776.36

6. Woodgreen Mortification Trust

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on applications received in respect of the Woodgreen Mortification Trust.

The Committee agreed that, nothwithstanding the sum of £900 recommended for disbursement from Trust in financial year 2011/12, to (a) make the following awards:-

Applicant	Award
Promoting Kilwinning	£500.00
Mr M	£1,195.00

and (b) refuse the application from Kilwinning Sports Club on the grounds that the project was not wholly in accordance with the purpose of the Trust and that the group could be directed towards other more appropriate sources of funding.

7. North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board: Minutes of Meeting held on 15 September 2011

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on the Minutes of the Meeting of the North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership (CPP) held on 15 September 2011.

Noted.

8. Future Agenda Items

The Committee agreed to note that any additional items for consideration at the next meeting should be submitted to M. Anderson or C. Graham.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Area Committee is scheduled for Thursday 19 January 2012.

The meeting ended at 2.45 p.m.