Irvine Area Committee 7 February 2008

IRVINE, 7 February 2008 - At a Meeting of the Irvine Area Committee of North Ayrshire Council at 3.30 p.m.

Present

Pat McPhee, Tom Barr, Matthew Brown, Ian Clarkson, Ruby Kirkwood, John Moffat, David O'Neill and Joan Sturgeon.

In Attendance

J. McHarg, Learning Manager, Adult Learning (Community Learning and Development) (Educational Services); M. McKeown and A. Little, Corporate Support Officers (Chief Executive's).

Also In Attendance

Chief Inspector S. Rorrison and Inspector D. McIntyre, Strathclyde Police; and Station Commander K. Alcroft and L. Brady, Community Safety Co-ordinator, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue.

Chair

Councillor McPhee in the Chair.

1. Strathclyde Police

Inspector McIntyre provided the following information:-

- Stephen House has been appointed as Chief Constable of Strathclyde Police.
- A variable shift agreement will become operational on 11 February 2008. The aim is to ensure that police officers are available on the street at peak times.
- A youth diversion initiative is in operation in the Bourtreehill/Springside area.

Noted.

2. Strathclyde Fire and Rescue

Submitted report by Strathclyde Fire and Rescue on activities in the Committee's area during the period 28 November 2007 - 23 January 2008.

Commander Alcroft provided the following information:-

- Strathclyde Fire and Rescue attended 117 emergency calls in the Committee's area.
- Of the 11 fires involving property, 9 involved residential properties.

- A small electrical fire was discovered in the roof spine of the Rivergate Shopping Mall. Whilst the fire was extinguished quickly, the Mall required to be closed for some time to allow further inspection and confirmation there was no spread of fire.
- The disused Electroconnect factory at Riverside Avenue, Irvine, has now been sealed.
- To date over 800 home fire safety visits have been completed in the Irvine area.
- The Fire Reach and Work Experience courses continue to be provided to secondary pupils.

Noted.

3. Local Action Fund 2007/08

Submitted report by the Corporate Director (Educational Services) on applications for funding from the Local Action Fund.

The Committee agreed to make the following awards:-

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Award</u>
Friday Night Youth Club	£700
Irvine and District Pipe Band	£2,000
Irvine Thistle Boys Club	£2,000
North Ayrshire Table Tennis Club	£914
Irvine Sports Club	£2,000
Oasis New Start DoE Award Group	£1,240

4. Irvine Common Good Fund

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on applications for financial assistance from Irvine Common Good Fund.

The Committee agreed to make the following awards:-

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Award</u>
Irvine Victoria Junior Football Club	£500
St. Andrew's Parish Church	Nil

5. Irvine: Site of former Ravenspark Hospital: Housing Development by Jointplan Ltd: Naming of 2 New Streets

Submitted report by the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Protective) on the naming of two new streets within the development by Jointplan Ltd., at the site of the former Ravenspark Hospital, Irvine. The developers proposed that the streets should be named "Ravenspark Gardens" and "Moor Place".

The Committee agreed that (a) future new street/development names be determined in consultation with the Local Members for the Ward in question; and (b) the two new streets should be named "Bartonholm Gardens" and "Sandy Road Place".

6. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 3 April 2008 at 2.00 p.m. in Cunninghame House, Irvine.

7. Future Agenda Items

It was agreed that notice of any future agenda items be directed to M. McKeown or A. Little, Corporate Support Officers.

The meeting ended at 4.25 p.m.