

Cunninghame House,  
Irvine.

17 March 2016

### **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 DA Hall, The Garrison, Millport, Isle of Cumbrae on **THURSDAY 24 MARCH 2016** at **1.45 p.m.** to consider the undernoted business.

Yours faithfully

Elma Murray

Chief Executive

#### **PLEASE NOTE EARLIER START TIME FOR THIS MEETING**

**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 ordinary meeting of the Committee held on 11 February 2016 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. Haylie Brae: Augmented Reality Information Board**

Receive presentation from representative of the company 6274.

#### **4. CPP Partners**

##### **4.1 Police Scotland**

Police Scotland will report on issues of local interest for the period.

##### **4.2 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service**

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service will report on incidents within the North Coast area for the period.

#### **5. Largs Reports**

##### **5.1 Largs Sea Front Car Park - Update on Projects and Car Park Usage**

Submit report by the Executive Director (Place) on the implementation of agreed projects and the usage of the Largs Sea Front Car Park between 1 July and 31 December 2015 (copy enclosed).

##### **5.2 Place Update - Largs**

Submit report by the Executive Director (Place) on the major projects managed by the Place Directorate in Largs.(copy enclosed).

##### **5.3 Economy and Communities Update - Largs**

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

#### **6. Cumbrae**

##### **6.1 Millport Flood Protection Scheme**

Submit report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on the position of the Millport Flood Protection Scheme (copy enclosed).

##### **6.2 Economy and Communities Update - Millport**

Submit report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on actions taken in relation to current projects and issues (copy enclosed).

#### **7. Community Development Grant Scheme and Local Youth Action Fund: Application 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).

#### **8. Largs Common Good Fund : Application for Financial Assistance**

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

#### **9. Urgent Items**

Any other items which the Chair considers to be urgent.

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## North Coast Area Committee

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Sederunt:

Alex Gallagher (Chair)  
Alan Hill  
Tom Marshall  
Grace McLean

Chair:

Attending:

Apologies:

Meeting Ended:



North Coast Area Committee  
11 February 2016

**Largs, 11 February 2016** - At a Meeting of the North Coast Area Committee at 2.00 p.m.

**Present**

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

**In Attendance**

Y. Holland, Project Manager, C. Forsyth, Team Manager (Traffic/Transportation), A. Cowley, Team Manager (Roads) and T. Reaney, Senior Manager, Streetscene Officer (Place); L. Kirk, Access Officer and J. Cumming, Town Centre Regeneration Officer (Economy and Communities); and M. Anderson, Committee Services Team Leader (Chief Executive's Service).

**Also In Attendance**

Inspector J. Conway (Police Scotland); G. Henry (Transport Scotland); J. Riddell (Fairlie Community Trust); and D. Blair (Largs Community Council).

**Chair**

Councillor Gallagher in the Chair.

**1. Declarations of Interest**

In terms of Standing Order 10 and Section 5 of the Code of Conduct for Councillors, Councillor Gallagher, as Chair of the Viking Festival, declared an indirect non-pecuniary interest in the Agenda Item 4.5 (Largs Viking Festival Village - Streetscene Costs) as it related to the erection and dismantling of the Largs Viking Festival Village.

**2. Minutes**

The accuracy of the Minutes of the ordinary Meeting of the Committee held on 19 November 2015 was confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

**2.1 Largs Sea Front Car Park**

The Committee Services Team Leader provided a verbal update on the proposed introduction of tiered charges at Largs Sea Front Car Park, confirming that all four local Elected Members had agreed to the implementation of Scenario 2, as set out in the revised Appendix to the report at Agenda Item 5.2, on the basis of a one-year pilot, commencing as soon as possible.

### **3. CPP Partners**

#### **3.1 North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board: Minutes of Meeting held on 3 December 2015**

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on the Minutes of the meeting of the North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership (CPP) held on 3 December 2015

Noted.

#### **3.2 Police Scotland**

Inspector Joseph Conway provided a verbal update on issues of local interest for the period from 14 November 2015 to 31 January 2016, including information on the following:-

- a breakdown of local crime statistics for the periods 1 April 2015 to 31 January 2016, and the same period the previous year; and
- a serious assault on a 45 year old male in December 2015.

Members discussed the following:-

- the use of the speed camera mobile unit in the Fairlie area and the value of requesting that it be deployed in the Skelmorlie area; and
- disruption caused to local roads by heavy snowfall in January 2016.

Inspector Conway undertook to request that the mobile speed camera be deployed in the Skelmorlie area.

Noted.

#### **3.3 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service**

Submitted report by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service on incidents within the North Coast area for the period 22 November 2015 to 28 January 2016, including information on the following:-

- some 58 incidents in the local area, comprising 41 in the Largs area, 9 in Skelmorlie and 8 on Millport;
- 13 fire incidents, 17 unwanted fire alarm systems, 13 special services, and 4 other incidents; and
- community safety initiatives, including post domestic reviews, home fire safety visits, winter thematic action plan and Prevention First work.

Noted.

## **4. Largs Reports**

### **4.1 20mph Speed Limit A78 Trunk Road - Discussion**

In response to a request by Largs Community Council, the Committee discussed Transport Scotland's proposal to trial a 20 mph speed limit on the A78 through Largs, from the Nelson Street junction at Nardini's to the Morrison's supermarket roundabout.

The Committee received a verbal report from a representative of Transport Scotland on the rationale for the proposed 20 mph speed limit in this area, a separate proposal for a pedestrian crossing at Anderson Park in Largs, and recent consultation with Largs Community Council, which had expressed its opposition to the 20 mph speed limit. The Chair of Largs Community Council was also invited to address the meeting on the community council's concerns.

Members discussed the following:-

- the appropriateness of the area of road covered by the proposal;
- the view that a 20 mph speed limit through Fairlie might be a higher priority for the local community;
- whether the pedestrian crossing at Anderson Park in Largs element of the proposal could proceed in the event of the 20 mph speed limit being rejected;
- the extent to which recent road traffic incidents had been speed-related;
- delays which might arise as a result of the introduction of a 20 mph limit;
- the effectiveness of electronic signage used elsewhere to advise drivers of their speed;
- pedestrian, as well as driver, behaviour as a contributory factor in road traffic accidents; and
- whether the 20 mph speed limit proposal was likely to proceed in light of the community council's opposition.

Councillor Marshall, seconded by Councillor Hill, moved that the Committee express its opposition to the proposed introduction of a 20 mph speed limit on the A78 through Largs. There being no amendment, the motion was declared carried.

### **4.2 Stalled Spaces Fund - Nelson Street, Largs**

The Town Centre Regeneration Officer provided a verbal update on the gap site at 67-73 Nelson Street, Largs.

The Officer advised that the Council's Planning Service had been in contact with the owner of the site, who had arranged for debris to be removed from it and had expressed an intention to submit a planning application in due course for development of the site. The Committee was also advised of discussions which had taken place in respect of the feasibility of using funding from the Stalled Spaces Fund, which supports the temporary use of such gap sites. The Town Centre Regeneration Officer intimated that Fairlie Growers had expressed an interest in developing a 'pop up' garden on the site and that this was currently being explored.

Members asked questions, and received further information, on the following:-

- the position of Largs Allotment Group, which is interested in identifying land available in the longer term;
- the feasibility of making use of other potential sites in the area, including space at the Gogo Burn; and
- the conditions associated with applications to the Stalled Spaces Fund, including the town centre location of sites, the need for groups to be properly constituted, and the timescale for using funding.

Noted.

#### **4.3 Largs Seafront Illumination Festoons**

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Place) on the condition of the current illumination installation and the proposed use of further funding from the Largs Seafront Car Park Fund to replace it with a more robust, energy efficient alternative.

The report advised that the current illumination system is deteriorating to an extent that, without action, it will be rendered unsafe and require to be removed. The cost of replacing the existing system is estimated at £23,000. Extending the installation to the Mackerston putting green area would cost a further £4,500. The report proposed that the installation, once replaced, should be subject to statutory electrical maintenance inspection, routine planned maintenance cleaning with lamp replacement as required, and statutory energy accounting and reporting of running costs. The annual running cost was estimated at £3,400 in terms of maintenance and £1,600 for energy at current prices and operational hours, rising to £6,400 annual in energy costs if the system were operational to be throughout the year.

Members discussed the following:-

- the deterioration of the current installation, which was purchased in 2013 and was intended to be suitable for this exposed coastal location;
- previous and proposed maintenance arrangements;
- the role of the former Illuminations Committee and previous funding arrangements; and
- the appropriateness of further expenditure on illumination festoons in light of the current financial climate.

Councillor Marshall, seconded by Councillor McLean, moved that the Committee agree to (a) note the maintenance difficulties associated with the condition of the current installation; (b) approve the funding from the Largs Seafront Car Park revenues to replace the current installation; (c) approve funding from the Car Park revenues to extend the installation to Mackerston putting green; and (d) extend the operation life of the installation throughout the calendar year. There being no amendment, the motion was declared carried.



#### **4.4 Place Update - Largs**

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Place) on the Largs Campus development. The Committee also viewed three video clips, which showed animated illustrations of St. Mary's Primary School classrooms, breakout spaces and shared dining area, the three levels in the combined primary school, and elements of the secondary school, including the dining plaza, PE department and music areas.

The various building elements of the project are currently being tendered and the tender rates will inform the Stage 2 submission to the Scottish Futures Trust in February 2016. Detailed design development workshops on classrooms, breakout spaces, P.E. areas, toilets, externals, dining and shared teaching spaces have been held with both pupils and staff from the respective schools at the end of October 2015 and feedback, in the form 'you said we did', will be provided to staff and pupils in February 2016.

The planning application is currently subject to the statutory consultation process and will be considered by the Council on 24 February 2016. Subject to approval of the planning application, it is anticipated that works will commence on site in April/May 2016 with a targeted completion date of December 2017.

Members asked questions, and received further information, on the following:-

- whether the consultation had included external areas and traffic considerations;
- the feasibility of the planned timescale for completion of the project;
- the availability of lifts for disabled use; and
- the number of English classrooms in the secondary school building.

Noted.

#### **4.5 Largs Viking Festival Village - Streetscene Costs**

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Place) on the costs chargeable by Streetscene for erecting the dismantling the Viking Festival Village.

At the meeting on 13 August 2015, the Committee requested that the Streetscene Officer submit a report with a detailed breakdown of the costs associated with erecting the Viking Festival Village, to allow Members to assess if the costs might be reduced and whether to consider alternatives to erecting the village on a year on year basis.

The cost of work to erect and dismantle the Viking Festival Village is recharged to the Largs Car Park Fund based on Streetscene's historical set of hourly rates for its services at such events. A standard hourly rate is applied to recover the average cost of the operatives deployed, uplifted where appropriate to recognise work that requires to be undertaken out of hours. Work undertaken includes the erection of fencing, transporting the village to the site, building the village, collecting and transport greenery, dismantling the village and clean up costs. Work is now underway to review the chargeout rates currently applied to all North Ayrshire events to ensure that value for money is being achieved and Streetscene continues to offer a high quality service to local organisations. The outcome of this review will inform the charges to be applied to the Viking Festival in 2016 and other similar events.

Members asked questions, and received further information, on the following:-

- the cost of servicing fire extinguishers for the event;
- the feasibility of reducing the costs associated with the event, either through efficiencies in terms of the erection and dismantling process, or through the erection of a more permanent display village; and
- the background to the plain time and overtime charge applied to the different stages of erecting and dismantling the village.

The Committee agreed (a) to request that the Senior Manager (Streetscene) explore options for greater efficiency and reduced costs in terms of erecting and dismantling the Viking Festival Village; and (b) that, in the event of external advice being required in this regard, the Committee's approval should be sought to incur expenditure from the Largs Car Park Fund.

#### **4.6 Economy and Communities Update**

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on updates in respect of the following projects:-

- the Largs Masterplan document, which was reported to the Committee on 24 September 2015 and which will shortly be printed in hard copy and circulated to the various stakeholders;
- the appointment of the Tennant Garmory Partnership as the lead designers for the Gallowgate Square redevelopment, with the ongoing detailed design phase scheduled for completion by March 2016;
- continued officer support for the Largs Matters BID, which is planning a further programme of festivals in the summer;
- the issue of planning consents for the Greeto Water and Gogo Schemes; and
- the timescales for statutory public consultation on the proposals for Blairpark/Halkhill which are dependent on submission of a further revised draft Environmental Statement to FCS.

Members discussed the following:-

- the need to relocate bins in the Gallowgate Square area and the feasibility of a Compulsory Purchase Order to secure the adjacent derelict building for this purpose;
- Largs Matters BID's plans for a food festival, Largs Live event and a classic car event; and
- the position of local Elected Members and the Council with regard to the forestry proposals.

Thereafter, the Chair invited Largs Community Council's Chair to address the meeting on community council's concerns in relation to the Gogo and Greeto Hydro Schemes and the Blairpark/Halkhill Commercial Forestry proposals, including issues around the withdrawal of some of the community benefits previously proposed, management of the site and damage to the Greeto Falls area as a result of ongoing works, and disruption to local residents.

The Committee agreed (a) that officers explore the possibility of a Compulsory Purchase Order on the derelict building adjacent to the Gallowgate Square to provide a potential new location for bins; (b) that the Senior Manager (Energy and Sustainability)(Economy and Communities) make arrangements for a private meeting to take place with representatives of Tilhill and Stakis, Largs Community Council and local Elected Members, if possible immediately prior to the next meeting of the Committee.

## **5. Fairlie Reports**

### **5.1 Fairlie Community Links**

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on an update in respect of the consultation process, feedback obtained through the consultation process and the options for the next stages in the project's development.

The proposals for the project have been developed through three phases of public consultation, involving local residents, access users including walkers and cyclists, landowners, visitors to the area and other interested parties. Over 180 interested parties attended the two public drop in sessions held in 2015 and over 235 responses were received through the 2015 stages of the consultation process. This was also supported by the North Ayrshire Outdoor Access Forum. The outcome of the consultation process and notes of the feedback obtained through the consultation, were summarised at Appendices 1 and 2 to the report. Options for the next stages were outlined at Appendix 3.

The Chair invited Mr Riddell on Fairlie Community Trust to address the meeting of the background to the proposals and options for implementation at this stage.

Members discussed the following:-

- options for partial implementation of the proposals to allow a path to be passable at all states of the tide;
- options for addressing access issues at Ferry Row;
- the likely funding implications of the different options available;
- the preferences expressed during the consultation, as set out at section 14 of Appendix 2; and
- the options for rock edge and step edge protection and their cost implications.

The Committee agreed (a) to note (i) the consultation process undertaken and (ii) the feedback obtained through the consultation process; and (b) to recommend that the Cabinet (i) approve Option B (to proceed with the detailed design and construction of the project), as set out at Appendix 3 to the report, and (ii) as part of that option, agree to complete the detailed design and key elements of the project as far as practical within the current financial year, with a view to constructing the path in 2016/17 and (iii) agree to the path design and alignment options identified as respondents' preferences within the table at Appendix 3 to the report.

## **6. Cumbrae**

### **6.1 Millport Flood Protection Scheme**

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Place) on the current position in terms of the Millport Flood Protection Scheme.

The inclusion of Millport Coastal within the national Flood Risk Management Strategy provides an opportunity to consider works to the harbour at Millport as part of any scheme, albeit that such works would need to be integral to the primary purpose of flood defence. A project execution plan has been completed and a contract for the design of the Millport Flood Protection Scheme is currently being tendered. The outline design, consultation process and Flood Protection Scheme submission to the Scottish Government will take approximately 18 months to complete, with the detailed design estimated to take around a further 9 months to complete. The removal of the timber pier will be included as part of the Flood Protection Scheme and the safety of the timber pier will be monitored and managed until the point at which construction of the Flood Protection Scheme begins and the timber section of pier is removed.

Members asked questions, and received further information, on the following:-

- measures to address flood risk following removal of the timber pier;
- whether access by the Waverley would be possible in future; and
- whether any interest had been expressed by the Field Studies Council.

Noted.

## **6.2 Economy and Communities Update - Millport**

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on actions taken in relation to the following projects and issues:-

- progress in respect of the Millport Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme, which will be launched in April 2016 and operate for a five-year period thereafter;
- the Millport Economic Group, which plans to hold an initial meeting in March 2016;
- a planned further package of works to the Millport Field Centre; and
- ongoing work to explore the potential for investment in additional accommodation facilities on the island.

Members asked questions, and received further information, on the following:-

- the composition of Millport Economic Group; and
- the desirability of seeking to ensure that local businesses benefit from works associated with CARS projects.

Noted.

## **7. 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 Community Development Grant Scheme.

The Committee agreed to make the following awards:-

### **Community Development Grant Scheme**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Award</b>
Upbeats Community Choir	£2,000.00
Capall Dorcha Theatre Company	£ 500.00
Open Ayrshire	£ 294.40

## **8. Date and Venue of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the North Coast Area Committee will be held on Thursday 24 March 2016 at 1.45 p.m. in the D.A. Hall, Millport.

Noted.

## **9. 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 4.20 p.m.

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## **NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **Agenda Item 5.1**

**24 March 2016**

#### **North Coast Area Committee**

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**Title:** **Largs Sea Front Car Park - Update on Projects and Car Park Usage**

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**Purpose:** The purpose of this report is to provide the Area Committee with an update on the implementation of agreed projects and provide information on the usage of the Largs Sea Front Car Park between 1 July and 31 December 2015.

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**Recommendation:** That the Committee agrees to note (i) the progress on expenditure and the agreed projects to date; (ii) the projected balance of £234,833 available in 2015/16 to fund new projects; (iii) the usage of the Largs Sea Front Car Park between 1 July and 31 December 2015; and (iv) Members to consider new projects for 2016 and beyond.

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#### **1. Executive Summary**

- 1.1 At its meeting of 11 February the Committee agreed a revised charging structure for the car park. Revised signage is being procured to enable implementation in April 2016.
- 1.2 The car park fund currently has a projected balance of £234,833 available to develop and deliver new projects.

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1 At its meeting on 13 August 2015 the Committee received an update on the usage of the car park between April and June 2015 and on the various projects and events being funded from the Largs Car Park during 2015/16.
- 2.2 The report highlighted that almost 80% of those using the car park stay for relatively short periods and generally leave within three hours. The Committee requested that quarterly reports on the car park's occupancy rates be presented to future meetings to inform discussions on how to retain visitors for longer periods and thus potentially increase spend within the town.

- 2.3 A report was submitted to the Area Committee on 19 November 2015 with various options for a new car park tariff. The preferred option (up to one hour £1, up to 3 hours £3 and over 3 hours £4) was subsequently agreed at the meeting on 11 February 2016 and this new tariff will be implemented as close to 1 April 2016 as is possible. New tariff signage will be required and will be installed to coincide with the changes.

- 2.4 Progress with agreed events and projects is as follows:

Improvements to the Haylie Brae Picnic Area

- All works have now been completed with the exception of the large 'Augmented Reality' information sign for which a draft design proposal has been developed and is currently being considered prior to finalisation.

New Largs Seafront Illumination Festoons

- The Area Committee on 11 February 2016 approved this one off cost of £27,500 plus ongoing maintenance costs of £6,400 per year. The works will be undertaken in financial year 2016/17.

- 2.5 Sea Front Car Park Usage

Car park usage data for 2014/15 showed that 77% of car park users stayed for up to three hours. The data for the first three quarters of 2015/16 (April-December 2015) further demonstrates that the majority of users (75.7%), stayed for up to three hours. Visitor numbers to the car park are lower for the first three quarters of 2015/16 compared to the same period in 2014/15. Usage data is provided at Appendix 1.

- 2.6 Largs Car Park Fund current budget position

Funding of £368,976 - comprising £178,976 brought forward from 2014/15 and £190,000 estimated income in 2015/16 - is available for new and existing projects. After recognising expenditure of £134,143 there is a remaining balance of £234,833 available to fund new projects, as summarised in the table below.

- 2.7 At the Council meeting of 17th February it was agreed that the annual cost of cleaning the public conveniences within Largs, estimated at £35,000, would be met by increasing fees and charges by £10,000 and by £25,000 from the Largs Car Park Fund. This will come into effect on 1st April 2016.



### 3. Proposals

- 3.1 That the Committee notes (i) the progress on expenditure and the agreed projects to date; (ii) the projected balance of £234,833 available in 2015/16 to fund new projects; (iii) the information provided on usage of the Largs Sea Front Car Park between 1 July 2015 and 31 December 2015; and (iv) Members to consider new projects for 2016 and beyond.

### 4. Implications

<b>Financial:</b>	Funding of £368,976 is available to be spent during the year on new and existing projects. After recognising committed expenditure of £134,143 there is a remaining balance of £234,833 available for new projects.
<b>Human Resources:</b>	There are no Human Resource Implications.
<b>Legal:</b>	There are no Legal Implications.
<b>Equality:</b>	There are no Equality implications.
<b>Environmental &amp; Sustainability:</b>	Several of the agreed projects will provide environmental enhancements to the Largs area.
<b>Key Priorities:</b>	The improvements identified will contribute towards the delivery of a number of the Council's priorities, including regeneration.
<b>Community Benefits:</b>	Projects funded by the Largs Car Park provide a number of community benefits.

### 5. Consultation

- 5.1 No public consultation has taken place in the preparation of this report.



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Executive Director (Place)

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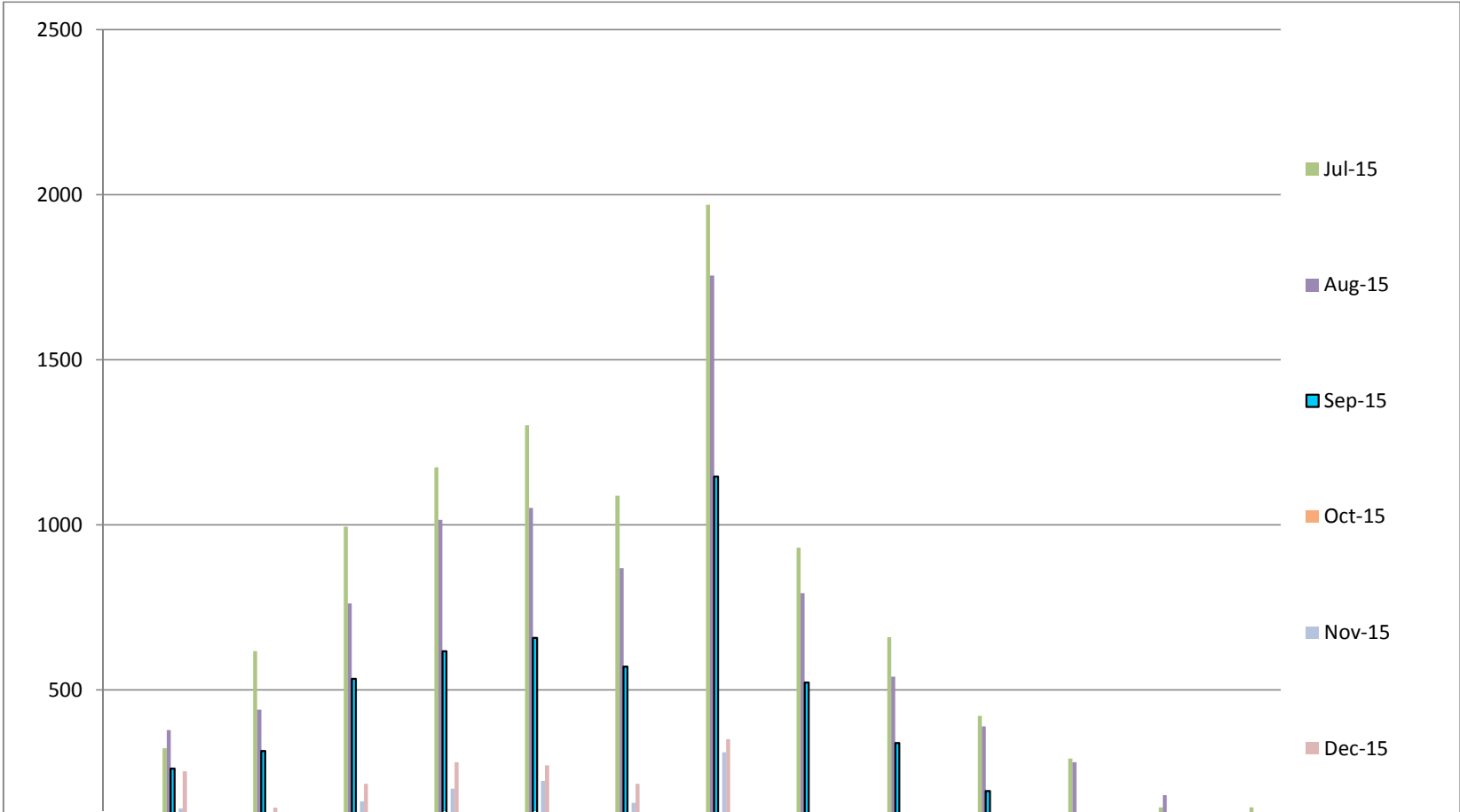
#### Background Papers

None



PARKING DURATION LARGS CAR PARK - July 2015 to December 2015

Dur/Month	20 mins	40 mins	1 hr	1 hr 20 mins	1 hr 40 mins	2 hrs	3 hrs	4 hrs	5 hrs	6 hrs	7 hrs	8 hrs	9 hrs
Jul-15	324	618	995	1175	1302	1089	1970	931	660	422	293	145	145
Aug-15	379	441	763	1016	1052	869	1756	794	541	390	282	182	124
Sep-15	262	316	534	618	658	571	1147	523	340	194	122	60	29
Oct-15	ISSUE OBTAINING DATA												
Nov-15	141	130	163	202	225	159	312	127	63	37	25	23	17
Dec-15	254	144	216	282	272	216	351	94	52	38	24	29	11





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## **NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **Agenda Item 5.2**

**24 March 2016**

#### **North Coast Area Committee**

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**Title:** **Place Update - Largs**

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**Purpose:** To provide the Area Committee with an update on major projects managed by the Place Directorate in Largs.

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

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#### **1. Executive Summary**

- 1.1 The key project for the Place Directorate within Largs is the development of a new Educational Campus.
- 1.2 Planning approval for the campus development was granted at the Council meeting on 24 February.
- 1.3 The project is progressing in line with the overall project plan, with works expected to commence on site in late spring/early summer 2016.

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1 An update on the Largs Campus project is provided below:
- 2.2 A major milestone was achieved when North Ayrshire Council resolved to grant planning approval for the project on 24 February 2016. As is customary when a development is contrary to the adopted North Ayrshire Local Development Plan and the Council is both the applicant and has an interest as the Education Authority, the application has been referred to the Scottish Government for consideration.
- 2.3 Work continues with HubSW to refine the cost proposals for the Stage 2 submission. Following an acceptable Stage 2 submission the Project Team in collaboration with Scottish Futures Trust, will commence the due diligence process to achieve Financial Close. The Financial Close process takes approximately 12 weeks and is anticipated to be concluded in May 2016.
- 2.4 The present programme shows the project commencing in late spring/early summer and completion before the Scottish Futures Trust deadline of 31 March 2018. The Project Team are working to minimise the impact of the completion date on pupils in relation to educational attainment.

### 3. Proposals

- 3.1 The Committee is asked to note the update contained within the report.

### 4. Implications

<b>Financial:</b>	This project remains within the allocated budget.
<b>Human Resources:</b>	There are no implications arising from this report
<b>Legal:</b>	Land acquisition matters regarding the purchase of the site remain on programme.
<b>Equality:</b>	Accessibility is a key design component of the new campus.
<b>Environmental &amp; Sustainability:</b>	The project is anticipated to achieve a BREEAM 'Very Good' rating.
<b>Key Priorities:</b>	The Campus development directly supports the achievement of the Council's key priority of Ensuring people have the right skills for learning, life and work.
<b>Community Benefits:</b>	Community benefits will be delivered through HubSW in accordance with the territory partnering agreement.

### 5. Consultation

- 5.1 No consultations have been undertaken in the preparation of this report.



CRAIG HATTON  
Executive Director (Place)

Reference : YB/YH/RH

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### Background Papers

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## **NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **Agenda Item 5.3**

**24 March 2016**

#### **North Coast Area Committee**

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**Title:** **Economy and Communities Update - Largs**

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

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

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#### **1. Executive Summary**

- 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. This report contains updates on projects since the last committee on 11 February 2016.

#### **2. Background**

##### Largs Masterplan/Gallowgate Square

- 2.1 The Masterplan document is ready for publication, with the NAC Communication team currently obtaining quotes for printing copies of the document. Hard copies of the document will be printed and circulated to the various stakeholders, and available to members of the public.
- 2.2 Tennant Garmory Partnership have been appointed as the lead designers for the Gallowgate Square redevelopment. The draft design of the redevelopment is scheduled to be completed during April 2016. This will be followed by a round of consultation with stakeholders and the general public. Approval for the appointment for the contractor for construction phase will require Cabinet approval and it hoped that work will commence by mid-summer 2016.
- 2.3 The implementation of further phases of the masterplan are subject to the identification of funding. A prospectus for an Ayrshire Growth Deal was submitted to the Scottish and UK Governments on 7th March 2016. This contains proposals for the development of Ayrshire's maritime and coastal product and subject to detailed consideration of the Growth Deal bid by the respective Governments coastal towns such as Largs may be a beneficiary. It is envisaged that a full business case for the Growth deal will be in place by March 2017.

## Largs Matters BID

- 2.4 Officers continue to support the Largs Matters Business Improvement District to meet the objectives set out in their business plan. Following on from the success seen in 2015, a further programme of festivals in the summer is being developed. This will again be backed by a TV advertising campaign. Officers will attend an open business meeting of the BID on 14<sup>th</sup> March to provide an update on the timescales for the Gallowgate Square improvement works.

### **3. Proposals**

- 3.1 It is proposed that the Committee note the developments of the above projects.

### **4. Implications**

<b>Financial:</b>	None.
<b>Human Resources:</b>	None.
<b>Legal:</b>	None.
<b>Equality:</b>	None.
<b>Environmental &amp; Sustainability:</b>	None.
<b>Key Priorities:</b>	None.
<b>Community Benefits:</b>	None.

### **5. Consultation**

- 5.1 None.



KAREN YEOMANS  
Executive Director (Economy and Communities)

Reference : AL/AB

For further information please contact Alasdair Laurensen, Senior Manager, Regeneration on 01294 324309

### **Background Papers**

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## **NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **Agenda Item 6.1**

**24 March 2016**

#### **North Coast Area Committee**

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**Title:** **Millport Flood Protection Scheme**

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**Purpose:** To update the committee on the position of the Millport Flood Protection Scheme.

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**Recommendation:** The Committee is invited to note the progress to date in the development of the Millport Flood Protection Scheme.

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### **1. Executive Summary**

- 1.1 This report is to advise on the current position of the Millport Flood Prevention Scheme and to provide an update on the measures being taken to progress the scheme.
- 1.2 A procurement exercise is in progress to appoint specialist support to develop designs for public consultations.

### **2. Background**

- 2.1 At its meeting of 8th December 2015 Cabinet agreed on the prioritised schemes/works and studies required for submission to Scottish Government to inform the national Flood Risk Management Strategy.
- 2.2 The national Flood Risk Management Strategy identified a Flood Prevention Scheme for Millport Coastal as having a national priority rating of 10 of the 42 schemes, the estimated cost of the scheme is £12.1 million.
- 2.3 A paper was presented at the North Coast Area committee of 11 February 2015 when the committee noted the actions being taken in respect of the Coastal defences and harbour area at Millport.
- 2.4 Tenders have been sought for the outline design, consultation process and flood protection scheme design and four tenders have been received. The tenders will be evaluated on the basis of quality and price and then a contract will be awarded to the winning tenderer around the end of March with an expected start to the outline design work beginning very shortly after that.

### **3. Proposals**

- 3.1 That the Committee notes the actions being taken in respect of Coastal Defences and the harbour area at Millport.

#### 4. Implications

<b>Financial:</b>	Projects agreed by Scottish Government attract 80% funding. A submission for funding will be made as part of the application to Government to create a Flood Protection Order. The Council has not yet agreed funding to meet the full 20% contribution however sufficient provision is continued within existing budgets to complete outline scheme design.
<b>Human Resources:</b>	The design work is being carried out externally, but the project will be managed by NAC staff. Any additional human resource implications will be met from within available budgets.
<b>Legal:</b>	The scheme will enable the Council to undertake its statutory obligations as identified in the 2009 FRM (Scotland) Act.
<b>Equality:</b>	National studies have identified that the impact of flooding is greater within areas of deprivation.
<b>Environmental &amp; Sustainability:</b>	An environmental assessment report will be produced to review the options in the options appraisal and the design development stages of the project.
<b>Key Priorities:</b>	Flood mitigation and protection of our communities is a key Single Outcome Agreement, and also addresses the Council Plan key priority of 'protecting and enhancing the environment for future generations'.
<b>Community Benefits:</b>	The proposed projects will provide economic and physical benefits to the community, providing business continuity within a community currently at risk from flooding.

#### 5. Consultation

- 5.1 The development of the Flood Risk Management Strategy has been subject to national consultation.
- 5.2 The project will involve consultation with statutory stakeholders, landowners and the public.

- 5.3 Public consultation will involve a series of newsletters for the local community which will be issued throughout the scheme preparation process in order to update on the progress and proposals for the flood prevention scheme. Two public consultation meetings are planned. The first will be in early summer 2016 and the second will take place early in 2017.



CRAIG HATTON  
Executive Director (Place)

Reference : CH/AC/LB

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**Background Papers**

None



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## NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

### Agenda Item 6.2

24 March 2016

#### North Coast Area Committee

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**Title:** Economy & Communities Update - Millport

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

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

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#### 1. Executive Summary

- 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. The report contains updates on projects since the last committee on 11th February 2016.

#### 2. Background

##### Millport Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS)

- 2.1 The CARS scheme will be launched in the third week of April 2016, and will operate for a five year period thereafter. An event will be held in the Garrison House to launch the Scheme and to outline how it will operate. Office accommodation has now been secured within the Garrison House Business Centre within the Garrison House. It is envisaged that the CARS officer will be based in Millport for part of the working week to administer the CARS. The CARS Officer is currently working with architects to produce the literature associated with the CARS Scheme.

##### Garrison Grounds Estate Masterplan

- 2.2 Documentation to appoint a consultant to carry out the Estate Masterplan has been developed and prior to issue will be agreed with CCDC, Historic Scotland, and officers in Estates and Connected Communities. It is considered that a masterplan for the Town Hall and Garrison Grounds is required which considers the future of all of the relevant properties including the Stables, former NHS clinic, Town Hall, Garrison, DA Hall, etc. It will: assess future uses in light of demand (for example for visitor accommodation, community space, craft space, etc.); assess the condition of properties and their annual running costs; consider grant funding availability; and, assess the most appropriate ownership or management models.

#### Millport Economic Group

- 2.3 Only a limited number of comments were received on the draft Economic Plan which was circulated in late 2015. The CARS officer will arrange an initial meeting with CCDC in April to identify possible membership of the proposed group and a potential chair will be discussed at this meeting.

#### Millport Field Centre

- 2.4 Officers continue to support the Field Studies Council (FSC) in their operation of the Millport Field Centre. The FSC are currently implementing refurbishment works to the previously existing teaching and accommodation facilities at the site. This will see the implementation of a further package of works that will extend to over £1.2m funded by a range of sources secured with the assistance of the Council.

#### Millport Pier Inner Harbour

- 2.5 Preliminary discussions will shortly take place with CCDC on the potential to transfer of lease of the inner harbour.

#### Other

- 2.6 Officers continue to explore the potential for investment in additional accommodation facilities on the Island through proposals emerging at both the Westpoint Village and George Hotel. The provision of economic benefit through any works to the pier will be pursued by incorporating facilities for leisure boats, step ashore facilities and the potential for expansion of the George Hotel. The future of the Pier was the subject of a specific report to the previous Area Committee.

### **3. Proposals**

- 3.1 It is proposed that the Committee note the developments of the above projects.

#### 4. Implications

<b>Financial:</b>	None.
<b>Human Resources:</b>	None.
<b>Legal:</b>	None.
<b>Equality:</b>	None.
<b>Environmental &amp; Sustainability:</b>	None.
<b>Key Priorities:</b>	None.
<b>Community Benefits:</b>	None.

#### 5. Consultation

5.1 None.



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Executive Director (Economy and Communities)

Reference : AL/AB

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#### Background Papers

None





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## **NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **Agenda Item 7**

**24 March 2016**

#### **North Coast Area Committee**

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**Title:** **Community Development Grant Scheme Award and Local Youth Action Fund: Applications for Financial Assistance 2015/16**

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

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**Recommendation:** Agree that the Committee considers and determines the applications as outlined in Appendix 2 of this report.

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#### **1. Executive Summary**

- 1.1 The Community Development Grant Scheme Award for the North Coast and Cumbrae Area Committee has a balance of £725.17 available for disbursement.
- 1.2 The Local Youth Action Fund has a balance of £555.60 available for disbursement.

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1 Applications have been received within a number of categories of the Community Development Grant Scheme Award and Local Youth Action Fund. Details of these applications are summarised in Appendix 2 of this report.
- 2.2 Please note that there are insufficient funds available to support what is requested from the groups seeking funding from the Community Development Grants Scheme Award and the Local Youth Action Fund.

#### **3. Proposals**

- 3.1 It is proposed that the Committee considers the applications as outlined in Appendix 3 of this report.

#### 4. Implications

<b>Financial:</b>	Awards will be met from the available balances.
<b>Human Resources:</b>	There are no human resource implications arising from this report.
<b>Legal:</b>	There are no legal issues arising from this report.
<b>Equality:</b>	There are no equality issues arising from this report.
<b>Environmental &amp; Sustainability:</b>	There are no environmental and sustainability issues arising from this report.
<b>Key Priorities:</b>	<p>The key priorities for the groups applying for funding are:</p> <p><b>Children's health and wellbeing is improved through breaking the cycle of poverty, inequality and poor outcomes:</b> Children and young people are safe, healthy, active, aspiring and achieving.</p> <p><b>Adults and older people in North Ayrshire live healthier and more active lives:</b> People are more active more often. Health inequalities have reduced. Older people are more active and independent within their communities. Mental wellbeing is improved.</p> <p><b>North Ayrshire residents feel safer and communities are empowered:</b> More residents engage in community activities and volunteering.</p>
<b>Community Benefits:</b>	

## **5. Consultation**

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



**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 - 24 March 2016				
Organisation	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
<p>Age Concern - Largs</p> <p>Meeting place: Cameron Centre, Largs</p> <p>Established: 1975</p> <p>Numbers attending: 240</p> <p>Balance in bank: £19,938.54 (restricted funds towards utility bills, refuse collection, cleaning, general upkeep, outings, meals for members, tea bar stock).</p> <p>Past awards: 0</p>	<p>Costs towards security key fobs for members of the Centre:</p> <p>Key fobs - £1,050</p> <p>Door entry system - £1,320</p> <p>Intercom system - £144</p> <p>Total cost of project - £3,282</p>	£1,050	£725.17	<p>The recommended amount takes into consideration the balance available.</p> <p>The group are purchasing the door entry system and require key fobs for the members to enter the building. This is an added safety measure for the members and helps them relax in a safe environment.</p>

Local Youth Action Fund 2015/16				
Applications from Organisations seeking Financial Assistance - North Coast & Cumbrae Area Committee Meeting - 24 March 2016				
Organisation	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
<p>Largs Colts</p> <p>Meeting place: Inverclyde Sports Centre, Barrfields and Largs Academy</p> <p>Numbers attending: 140 - 155</p> <p>Balance in bank: £1,820.60 (restricted funds towards general running costs such as league and SFA registration, courses, lets and equipment).</p> <p>Past awards: 0</p>	<p>Costs towards training courses and equipment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coaching courses - £500</li> <li>First Aid courses - £500</li> <li>Team equipment - £1,000</li> </ul> <p>Total cost of project - £2,000</p>	£2,000	£555.60	<p>The recommended amount takes into consideration the balance of the fund.</p> <p>Largs Colts promote a safe environment for young people to participate in regular organised sport on a weekly basis.</p> <p>Largs Colts is a community football club and is a member of the SFA Quality Mark Scheme.</p> <p>The recommended amount will go towards some team equipment.</p>





# Community Development Grant Scheme Assessment Form

1. Reporting Officer: Anne-Marie Hunter
2. Department: Participation and Empowerment Team  
Telephone No.: 01294 604612

## SECTION 1 - Details of Group/Organisation

3. Name of Group/Organisation: Largs Age Concern
4. Date of Officer's Visit: 21 January 2016
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? - No

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?

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

- People are more active more often.
- Older people are more active and independent within their communities.
- Mental wellbeing is improved.

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

Largs Age Concern has run the Cameron Centre in Largs for a number of years and provided a valuable resource for the elderly population. They have 180 people that attend on a regular basis and this grant will enable them to ensure that all members have a key fob to access the building not having to worry about remembering a pass code.

13. How does the application show innovation or development?

The Committee noticed that a number of their members felt vulnerable as they entered the building as where the volunteers and staff that run Largs Age Concern. They decided to purchase a new door entry system making it easier for members to enter the building in a safe way for the volunteers and staff alike.

This grant would enable them to ensure that all the members and new members would have a key fob to use the new door entry system.

14. Overall assessment?

After meeting with the group and discussing their plans they would like to change the amount as they originally asked for the full amount for the door entry system and key fobs, but they decided that the entry system was such a priority that they purchased this from their own funds. This means that they only require support with purchasing the key fobs for its members.

## SECTION 3 - Details of Proposed Expenditure

15. Amount Requested: £1,000

Group Contribution: £1,232

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## SECTION 4 - Recommendation

17. Support Application: Yes

18. Defer Application?

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19. Amount recommended: **£725.17**  
Give reasons

<p>The group show independence by purchasing the new door entry system to ensure that its members do not feel as vulnerable having to go and open the door to whoever may press the doorbell. The door entry system requires key fobs and the members are happy to use these fobs to enter the building, therefore alleviating fear and possible threats that they may have experienced by physically having to go and open the door. This is a good safety feature for the members.</p>
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Signature: Anne-Marie Hunter

Date: 8 March 2016



# Local Youth Action Fund Assessment Form

1. Reporting Officer: Bobby McGhee
2. Department: Active Schools  
Telephone No.: 01294 475900

## SECTION 1 - Details of Group/Organisation

3. Name of Group/Organisation: Largs Colts F.C.
4. Date of Officer's Visit: 27 January 2016
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  
Is the award sought for a new youth activity, facility or service? - No
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

10. Does the expenditure meet North Ayrshire Council's Single Outcome Agreement Priorities? - Yes

If YES, which Single Outcome Agreement Priorities are being addressed?

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

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

**North Ayrshire residents feel safer and communities are empowered:**

- More residents engage in community activities and volunteering.

## SECTION 2 - Criteria for Assessment

11. In which way does this application address Local Youth Action Fund Objectives?

- Increase the number of services and facilities available that provide constructive and relevant activities.
- Increase in numbers of young people accessing facilities.
- Young people to have a sustained interest and involvement in the activities provided.
- A reduction in youth related call outs to police in areas where new facilities are located.
- A reduction in community perception/concerns about youth crime.
- An increase in satisfaction of young people.

12. What youth engagement/consultation has been undertaken regarding the proposed activity, service or facility?

Largs Colts Committee takes into consideration the view of players at all times.

13. What community engagement/consultation has been undertaken regarding the proposed activity, service or facility?

Largs Colts F.C. are active in the local community, promoting their teams in schools, and has links with the Largs Community Sports and Leisure Club.

14. Are Partnership links in place? Yes

Scottish Football Association (Regional Club Development Officer and North Ayrshire Football Development Officer).  
Active Schools



15. Overall Assessment

Football is North Ayrshire's most popular sport and provides a positive, healthy diversionary activity for many young people.

Largs Colts Football Club have been part of this success story for more than 40 years.

**SECTION 3 - Details of Proposed Expenditure**

16. Amount Requested: £1,900

17. Group Contribution: £100

**SECTION 4 - Recommendation**

18. Support Application: Yes

19. Defer Application? No

20. Amount recommended: **£555.60**

Give reasons

Largs Colts Football Club are a strong, well run community sports club which has never previously applied for or received grant aid from North Ayrshire Council.

The recommended amount is reflective of the available balance at this late stage of the financial year. If there had been more funding available I would have recommended £1,500.

Signature: Bobby McGhee

Date: 8 March 2016



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## NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

### Agenda Item 8

24 March 2016

#### North Coast Area Committee

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**Title:** Largs Common Good Fund : Application for Financial Assistance

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

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

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#### 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 The Largs Common Good Fund has a balance of £10,379.74 available for disbursement in financial year 2015/16.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 The attached schedule provides details of the application received for financial assistance on behalf of Largs Events.

#### 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

<b>Financial:</b>	The award of financial assistance can be met from the balance of the Common Good Funding available for disbursement in the current financial year.
<b>Human Resources:</b>	None
<b>Legal:</b>	None
<b>Equality:</b>	None
<b>Environmental &amp; Sustainability:</b>	None
<b>Key Priorities:</b>	Levels of voluntary action and community involvement have increased (SOA 11a).
<b>Community Benefits:</b>	None

## **5. Consultation**

- 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.

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ELMA MURRAY  
Chief Executive

Reference :

For further information please contact Ann Pearson, Committee Services  
Support Officer on 324129

## **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**

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Purpose of Grant</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Previous Common Good Awards</b>
Largs Events	Family Festival weekend July 2016	£2,000	£950 (May 2015)

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

#### **Finance & Corporate Support**

The draft budget is £28,300 based on the information given the total income if all the grants are paid is £33,500. Largs Events are contributing £15,000

#### **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 games zone, craft fair, craft demonstrations such a wood turning, a music festival and a variety of arena events benefitting local residents, and school children. Therefore, as the festival aims to benefit all sections of the community the application can be legally justified.

#### **Economy & Communities**

The applicant, Largs Events organises the Largs Family Weekend held at Barrowfields, Largs. This will be their 4<sup>th</sup> year. Last year they attracted over 3,500 visitors, which has a healthy impact on the local economy.

The intent of the festival is to help build and improve community spirit in Largs and the surrounding area. The centrepiece of the festival is a Children's Adventure Zone where there will be a craft fair; various stalls and sideshows; music festival and a variety of arena events.

For the past 2 years a major display of large kites with visits to a number of local primary schools was organised to introduce pupils to the fun of kiting. They learned how a kite flies, an opportunity to build a kite and most important of all (weather permitting) to have a shot at flying a kite!

They are continuing to expand their schools programme and visits throughout North Ayrshire including Cumbrae.

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



## NORTH COAST AREA COMMITTEE

## LARGS COMMON GOOD FUND

## ANALYSIS OF GRANTS EXPENDITURE - 2015-16

GRANT REF.	GROUP NAME	PURPOSE OF GRANT	AMOUNT OF GRANT	BALANCE OF BUDGET
				£
				16,734.00
01-15/16	Largs Events	Family weekend event	£950.00	15,784.00
02-15/16	Largs Viking Festival	Largs Viking Festival	5,000.00	10,784.00
05/14-15	Douglas Park BC	refund of underspend	(95.74)	10,879.74
03/15-16	St Vincent de Paul	christmas party	500.00	10,379.74