

Irvine Area Committee
29 May 2008

IRVINE, 29 May 2008 - At a Meeting of the Irvine Area Committee of North Ayrshire Council at 2.00 p.m.

Present

Pat McPhee, Tom Barr, Matthew Brown, Ian Clarkson John Moffat and Joan Sturgeon.

In Attendance

A. Milson, Learning Manager (Quality Development), B. Anderson, Performance/Grants Information Officer (Community Learning and Development) and I. Gilmour, Children's Resource Officer (Children's Outreach Services)(Educational Services); M. McKeown and A. Little, Corporate Support Officers (Chief Executive's).

Also In Attendance

Inspector D. McIntyre, Strathclyde Police, L. Brady and A. Gillies, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue.

Chair

Councillor McPhee in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

Councillors O'Neill and Kirkwood.

1. Declarations of Interest

Councillor McPhee declared an interest in Items 4 and 5, Playscheme Grants and Local Action Fund applications for funding from ANCHO and took no part in the discussion thereon.

2. Strathclyde Police

Inspector McIntyre reported on the following matters:-

- A new community policing initiative will commence shortly, which will see the creation of Community Policing Area Teams. These teams will comprise of PCs, Special Constables, CID staff and probationary constables and will take a proactive approach in relation to enforcement.
- Irvine Beach Park - extra patrols will tour the park to curb anti-social behaviour
- LEAP Project - this joint anti-gang project with the Community Wardens is continuing at Greenwood Academy.

The Committee agreed to (a) note the report; and (b) request that a presentation on the Community Warden Scheme be made to a future meeting.

3. Strathclyde Fire and Rescue

Submitted report by Strathclyde Fire and Rescue on incidents and activities within the Committee's area.

Strathclyde Fire and Rescue attended 151 emergency calls in the Committee's area during the period 26 March - 20 May 2008. Nine fires involved property and 6 of these were residential properties. Four malicious calls have been received and 40 fire alarm apparatus false alarms were received during this period.

The Cut It Out campaign will commence in August and will provide an educational experience to school pupils on road traffic collisions. Home fire safety visits and fire reach and work experience courses continue within the Irvine area.

Discussion followed on the responsibility for the maintenance and repair of the plastic coverings on gas meter boxes. The Community Safety Co-ordinator agreed to investigate this matter and report back to a future meeting.

Noted.

4. Playscheme Grants

Submitted report by the Corporate Director (Educational Services) on applications received in respect of the Playscheme Grants Scheme.

The Committee noted the following awards to groups in the Irvine area:-

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Award</u>
Girdle Toll Out of School Care	£1,714
Community Link Project ANCHO	£535
Women's Aid Irvine	£1,026
SOCK	£1,071
Inner Child	£590
Fullarton Community Health House	£515
Dalrymple Children's Unit	Travel Passes only

5. Community Grants and Local Youth Action Funds 2008/09: Applications for Financial Assistance

Submitted report by the Corporate Director (Educational Services) on applications for funding from the Community Development Grants Scheme and the Local Youth Action Fund.

The Committee agreed to make the following awards:-

Community Development Grants Scheme

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Award</u>
Chinese Information and Advice Centre	£500
Oasis Community Cafe	£663
Age Concern (Broomlands and Bourtreehill)	£1,000
Fullarton Community Health	£7,500
Drybridge Community Association	£2,900
Irvine and Dreghorn Brass Band	£1,200
Irvine and District Pipe Band	£1,500
Irvine Sea Angling Club	£500
Irvine Adult Learning Forum	£1,000

Local Youth Action Fund

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Award</u>
ANCHO Community Link Project	£1,110
North Ayrshire Amateur Swimming Club	£60

6. Irvine Common Good Fund

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

The Committee agreed to award Irvine and Dreghorn Brass Band £1,265.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Area Committee will be held on Monday 11 August 2008 at 10.00 a.m.

8. Future Agenda Items

The Committee agreed that any items for inclusion on future agendas be submitted to M. McKeown and A. Little, Corporate Support Officers.

9. Urgent Items

The Chair agreed that the following items be considered as a matter of urgency to update Members on developments.

9.1 Abandoned Shopping Trolleys

The Committee was provided with information in relation to a meeting which recently took place with local supermarkets regarding abandoned shopping trolleys.

The Committee agreed that a note of this meeting and an update on other items be sent directly to Members.

9.2 SPT

Members discussed the reduction of services on the Kilmarnock to Ardrossan route and the Magnum route.

The Committee agreed that SPT be invited to attend a future meeting.

The meeting ended at 2.45 p.m.