

Irvine, Kilwinning, Dreghorn and Springside Committee
27 October 1999

Dreghorn, 27 October 1999 - At a Meeting of Irvine, Kilwinning, Dreghorn and Springside Divisional Committee at 4.00 p.m.

Present

Elliot Gray, Jacqueline Browne, Thomas Barr, Ian Clarkson, John Donn, Jane Gorman, Joseph McKinney, John Moffat and David O'Neill.

In Attendance

I. MacKay, Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Regulatory); D. Nibloe, Chief Financial Accountant, Expenditure (Finance); A. Milson, Area Officer, Community Education (Educational Services); S. King, Corporate Policy Officer, J. Bannatyne, Administration Officer and A. Little, Assistant Administration Officer (Chief Executive's).

Also In Attendance

Chief Inspector P. Collier (Strathclyde Police) and T. Kane (Strathclyde Fire Brigade).

Chair

Mr Gray in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

Stewart Dewar.

1. Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th September 1999, copies of which had previously circulated, were confirmed.

2. Community Safety

(a) Strathclyde Police Crime Statistics

Submitted report by Strathclyde Police on the level of crime throughout the Divisional Committee area.

The Committee discussed the merits of comparative statistical reports as opposed to general analysis reports and agreed that Strathclyde Police be requested to provide comparative statistics in future reports.

(b) Strathclyde Fire Brigade: Fire Statistics for the Period 1 July to 31 August 1999

Submitted report by Strathclyde Fire Brigade on fire incidents during the period 1st July to 31st August 1999.

Noted.

3. Community Development Grant

(a) Analysis of Grants

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on the Community Development Grants paid to 7th

July 1999.

The Committee agreed to note:-

- (i) that since the Dreghorn Gala event will not take place until summer 2000 the organisers have withdrawn their application for a Millennium Grant
- (ii) that Redburn Young Men's Association which previously received a grant of £365 to fund woodwork and mechanic courses, have returned the grant less the costs of materials used on the courses which were provided free of charge
- (iii) that the return of this £285.03, added to the current balance, provided a total of £19,259.03 for disbursement.

(b) Requests for Financial Assistance

Submitted report by the Corporate Director (Educational Services) on requests for financial assistance.

The Committee agreed to make the following awards:-

<u>Name of Organisation</u>	<u>Award</u>
Townend Camera Club	£600
10th 'A' Brownie Pack	£400

The Committee was also advised that a previous decision to offer assistance in kind to the Kilwinning Millennium Committee was no longer appropriate and was asked to consider a grant towards a firework display. The Committee agreed to award Kilwinning Millennium Committee £500.

4. Irvine Common Good Fund

(a) Expenditure to September 1999

Submitted report by the Chief Executive detailing expenditure together with the balance remaining for disbursement.

Noted.

(b) Fuel Relief and Old Folks Joint Wards

The Committee was advised that the closing date for applications for the Fuel Relief is Friday 29th October 1999 and that further information in relation to an application in respect of the Old Folks Joint Wards is still required. The next meeting of the Committee is 8th December 1999, and to enable payments to be made prior to Christmas applications will require to be considered mid to late November.

The Committee agreed to remit with powers to the Chair in consultation with the Vice-Chair and appropriate Irvine members to agree payments to the Fuel Relief and the Old Folks Joint Wards.

(c) Irvine Christmas Lights

The Committee was advised on discussions between the Chair and Vice-Chair and representatives of the Irvine Town Centre Partnership on the possibility of the Partnership providing additional decorations in the Town Centre in future years. Their representatives had confirmed that some additional illuminated and non-illuminated decorations which they own are

available to supplement the new Christmas tree lights this year. They also undertook to pursue the purchase of additional decorative features in the future.

Noted.

(d) Requests for Financial Assistance

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

The Committee agreed to award £1,000 to Ms Mae McEwan towards the publishing costs of a book "Millennium Memories" - "I Belong to Yrwyn".

5. Woodgreen Mortification Trust

Submitted report by the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Regulatory) on an application for financial assistance from Kilwinning Millennium Committee.

Kilwinning Millennium Committee has organised a number of events to be held during November 1999 and November 2000 and have secured funding from a variety of local sponsors for this including a £500 Community Development Grant from the Council. Further Funding from the Woodgreen Mortification Trust is sought to assist with the costs in the provision of an Internet web-site and a firework display on 9th January 2000.

The Committee agreed to refuse the application on the grounds that it does not comply with the terms of the Trust.

6. Kilwinning: Old Glasgow Road: B778: Traffic Regulation Order

Submitted report by the Corporate Director (Property Services) on a traffic management proposal for the B778 Old Glasgow Road, Kilwinning.

The Committee agreed to approve the proposal to extend the existing 30mph speed limit to a point 135 metres northeast of the extended north kerbline of the road to Hazeldene Park for submission to the Property Services Committee for consideration.

7. Marymass Folk Festival 1999

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on the outcome of a meeting with representatives of the Marymass Folk Festival Organising Committee to discuss future funding arrangements.

On 15th September 1999 the Committee agreed to approve an additional £600 award to the Organising Committee towards the 1999 Festival with the proviso that an equivalent amount be deducted from any award towards the Festival in the year 2000, and that the Chair and Vice-Chair and Councillor Barr, Chair of the Marymass Executive Committee meet with representatives of the Marymass Festival Organising Committee to discuss the funding position in relation to future festivals. The meeting took place on 22nd October 1999.

The Committee noted the proposals outlined to ensure adequate funding of future festivals.

8. Irvine Town Centre: Traffic Management

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on the outcome of preliminary discussions on proposals for consideration by the Member/Officer Working Group on Traffic Management within Irvine Town Centre.

On 15th September 1999 the Committee agreed that a Member/Officer Working Group, comprising members and officers, Strathclyde Police, representatives of the Taxi Owners Association and other interested parties be set up to consider issues pertaining to traffic management in Irvine Town Centre. Preliminary discussions took place on 14th October 1999

and it was agreed that the first meeting of the Member/Officer Working Group be held on 9th November 1999 at 10.00 a.m. to consider the following issues:- (a) possible relocation of the existing taxi rank in Bank Street; (b) parking for the disabled in the High Street; (c) general provision of car parking; (d) parking for residents only; (e) the operation of the bus services in Irvine town Centre; and (f) potential sources of funding assistance.

The Committee agreed to approve these items for discussion by the Working Group.

9. Community Consultation

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on proposals to implement the Committee's remit in relation to community leadership and consultation.

The Committee discussed the various consultation methods employed by previous Area Committees and agreed (A) to approve the reports' proposals for community consultation in relation to (a) publicising the meetings; (b) including community organisations on the mailing list; (c) the business of the meeting; (e) special meetings and (f) CVS Sub-Groups but (B) to exclude the option on open forums (d).

10. Time of Future Meetings

Discussion took place on the Councils' timing of this meeting, and the Committee agreed to pursue the possibility of an earlier start in future

The meeting ended at 5.10 p.m.