



North Ayrshire Council
Comhairle Siorrachd Àir a Tuath

Cunninghame House,
Irvine.

19 March 2015

Kilwinning Area Committee

You are requested to attend a Meeting of the above mentioned Committee of North Ayrshire Council to be held in Racquet Hall, Eglinton Country Park, Kilwinning on **THURSDAY 26 MARCH 2015** at **2.00 p.m.** to consider the undernoted business.

Yours faithfully

Elma Murray

Chief Executive

1. Declarations of Interest

Members are requested to give notice of any declarations of interest in respect of items of business on the Agenda.

2. Minutes

The accuracy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 12 February 2015 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. Community Planning

3.1 Police Scotland

Police Scotland will report on activity within the Kilwinning area.

3.2 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

Submit report by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service on activity within the Kilwinning area during the period 2 February 2015 to 12 March 2015. (copy enclosed).

4. Maintenance of Cycle Paths

Submit report by the Executive Director (Place) on the arrangements for the maintenance of the cycle path network around Kilwinning (copy enclosed).

5. Eglinton Country Park

Submit report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on the recent initiatives at Eglinton Park (copy enclosed).

6. Community Development Grants Scheme and Local Youth Action Fund: Applications for Financial Assistance

Submit report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on applications for financial assistance received in respect of the Community Development Grants Scheme and Local Youth Action Fund (copy enclosed).

7. North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust

Submit report by the Chief Executive on an application received in respect of the North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust (copy enclosed).

8. Future Agenda Items

9. Date and Venue of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Kilwinning Area Committee will be held on 11 June 2015 in Kilwinning Library.

10. Urgent Items

Any other items which the Chair considers to be urgent.

Kilwinning Area Committee

Sederunt: John Ferguson
 (Chair)
 Joe Cullinane
 Donald Reid
 Robert Steel

Chair:

Attending:

Apologies:

Meeting Ended:

Kilwinning Area Committee
12 February 2015

Kilwinning, 12 February 2015 - At a Meeting of the Kilwinning Area Committee of North Ayrshire Council at 2.00 p.m.

Present

John Ferguson, Donald Reid, Joe Cullinane and Robert Steel.

In Attendance

J. Johnstone, Streetscene Manager and C. Haining, Streetscene Officer (Place); B. Anderson, Performance/Grants Information Officer (Education and Skills); and A. Little, Committee Services Officer (Chief Executive's Service).

Also In Attendance

Inspector Conway (Police Scotland).

Chair

Councillor Ferguson in the Chair.

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest by Members in terms of Standing Order 16 and Section 5 of the Councillors Code of Conduct.

2. Minutes

The accuracy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 11 December 2014 were confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

3. Community Planning

3.1 North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board: Minutes of Meeting held on 4 December 2014

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board held on 4 December 2014.

Noted.

3.2 Police Scotland

Inspector Conway provided information on crimes reported and detected in the Committee's area for the period November - December 2014.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to:-

- the work of Community Wardens in assisting with litter issues in the Main Street;
- an increase in the number of break-ins of outbuildings that have taken place mainly in the Irvine area;
- the use of CCTV to identify individuals and corroborate time-frames; and
- work of the Multi Agency Problem Solving Group in the Kilwinning area and additional resources deployed in Kilwinning during this time.

Noted.

3.3 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

Submitted report by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service on activity within the Kilwinning area during the period 1 December 2014 to 1 February 2015.

Noted.

4. Boundary Wall Repairs, McGavin Park, Kilwinning

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Place) on proposals and costings for repairs to the boundary wall at McGavin Park, Kilwinning that will include (i) the removal of a limited number of mature trees; (ii) dismantling and rebuilding of sections of brick walls; (iii) installation of new pre-cast concrete wall cope; (iv) partial replacement of galvanised metal fencing; and (v) tiered planting of new trees within the park at an acceptable distance from the line of the existing mature trees which are threatening the existing wall.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to:-

- the closure of the footpath to enable works to be undertaken;
- the removal of 3 mature trees to relieve pressure on the existing wall;
- planting of new trees at an acceptable distance from the line of the existing wall and the removal of the remaining mature trees that are threatening the wall, once the new trees have become established; and
- the planned installation of coping stones on the new section of wall and consideration that will be given to whether engineering bricks would be a more appropriate finish.

Noted.

5. Community Development Grants Scheme: Application for Financial Assistance

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on applications for financial assistance received in respect of the Community Development Grants Scheme and Local Youth Action Fund.

After discussion the Committee agreed, Councillor Reid abstaining, to award Kilwinning Old People's Welfare Committee £1,856 from the Community Development Grants Scheme.

6. Future Agenda Items

The Committee was provided with an update in respect of items for future meetings:-

- a presentation on Neighbourhood Planning had now been arranged for all Members of the Council, therefore a presentation to the Area Committee was no longer required; and
- reports previously requested on Eglinton Country Park and the Maintenance of Cyclepaths would be available for the March meeting of the Committee.

The Committee agreed that the Clerk make the necessary arrangements for the March meeting to be held in a venue within Eglinton Country Park.

7. Date and Venue of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Kilwinning Area Committee will be held on 26 March 2015, at a venue to be confirmed.

The meeting ended at 2.35 p.m.

Kilwinning Committee Meeting: 2 February 2015 – 12 March 2015.**1. Incidents Overview :**

- 24 Incidents over the reporting period. The 3rd, 15th Feb & 10th Mar were the busiest days with 4 Incidents recorded each day. Tuesday was the busiest day over the reporting period with 14 calls recorded.
- 10 Incidents, Unwanted Automatic Fire Alarm (UFAS) – New SFRS Policy implemented 1st December to identify route causes and reduce UFAS in the future. UFAS split into Domestic and relevant premises. Domestic premises will receive a Post Domestic Incident Response (PDIR). Relevant premises will receive SFRS intervention to prevent reoccurrence.
- 11 Fires attended.
- 3 Special Services attended.
- 0 Fire Fatalities or Casualties in the ward area during this reporting period.
- 0 RTC Fatalities or Casualties in the ward area during this reporting period.

Analysis:**2. Fires of note as follows:**

- Kilwinning – Dwelling Fire – Cooking, extinguished by removal / PDIR carried out.
- Kilwinning – Private vehicle on fire.
- Kilwinning – Dwelling Fire – Microwave, extinguished by removal / PDIR carried out.
- Kilwinning – Private vehicle on fire.
- Kilwinning – Dwelling Fire – Cooking, extinguished before arrival / PDIR carried out.
- Kilwinning – Dwelling Fire – Cooking, extinguished before arrival / PDIR carried out.
- Kilwinning – Dwelling Fire – Cooking, extinguished before arrival / PDIR carried out.
- Kilwinning – 4 Secondary Fires.

3. Special Services:

- 0 Road Traffic Collisions during this reporting period.
- Open door within Domestic Property for Ambulance Service.
- Small child locked within private vehicle, spare keys arranged by owner.
- Male trapped by barbed wire fence, freed by Firefighters.

4. Community Safety:

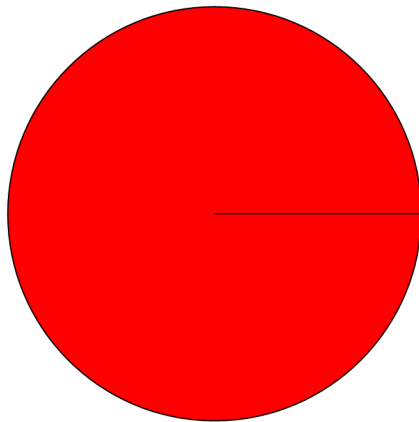
- PDIR - carried out after every domestic incident from 1 April 2014. During this reporting period 18 PDIR have been carried out resulting in a further 11 HFSV being carried out.
- HFSV - During this reporting period a total of 64 HFSV have been carried out.
- Spring Season Thematic Action Plan will run from 2 March – 27th April. An action plan will be developed to deal with Primary Fires within our local communities working with partner agencies to reduce particularly kitchen fires. An action plan will be developed to deal with grass, woodland, moorland, derelict buildings and rubbish fires.

Dates: 02/02/2015 - 12/03/2015
Councils: North Ayrshire
Wards: Kilwinning Ward

Incident Analysis

	Ward	Council	Ward as % of Council
Population	17029	135817	12.5%
Dwellings	7825	65550	11.9%
Incidents	24	206	11.7%
Casualties	0	5	%
Fire	0	1	%
RTC	0	3	%
Other	0	1	%
Fatalities	0	0	%
Fire	0	0	%
RTC	0		%
Other	0	0	%

Dwelling Fires: Accidental



■ Cooking appliance

Top 10 Accidental Dwelling Fire Locations

Street	Incident Count
ABBEGATE, ., KILWINNING	1
ALEXANDRA TERR, ., KILWINNING	1
DALRY RD, ., KILWINNING	1
KEIR HARDIE CRES, ., KILWINNING	1
MONTGOMERIE TERR, ., KILWINNING	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	5

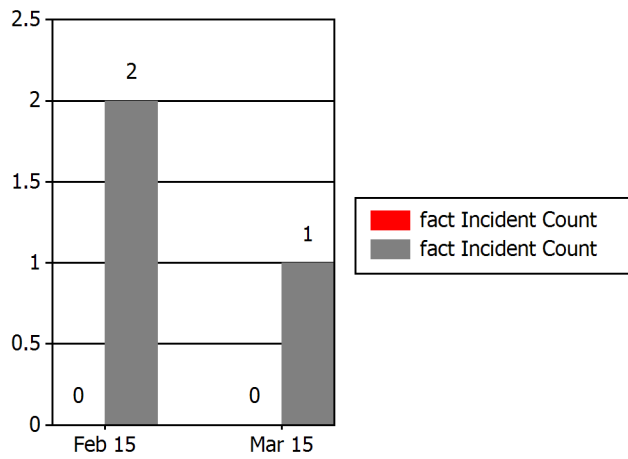
Dwelling Fires: Deliberate

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Top 10 Deliberate Dwelling Fire Locations

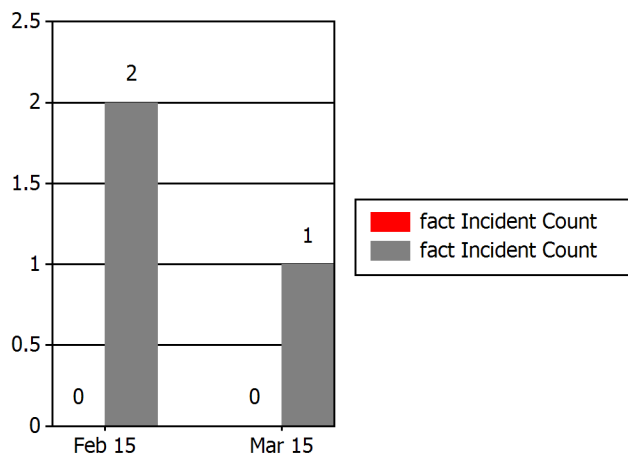
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Non Domestic Fires: Accidental



Top 10 Accidental Non Domestic Fire Locations

Non Domestic Fires: Deliberate

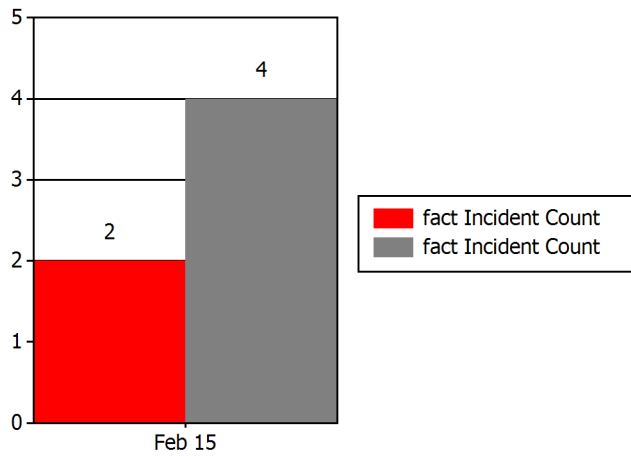


Top 10 Deliberate Non Domestic Fire Locations

Vehicle Fires: Accidental

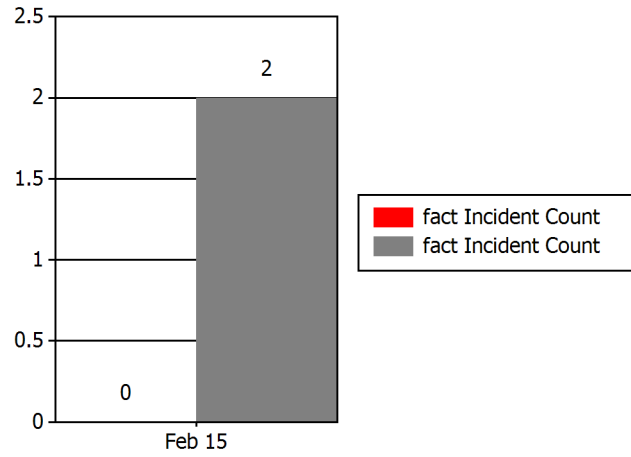
Top 10 Accidental Vehicle Fire Locations

Street	Incident Count
BYRES RD, ., KILWINNING	1



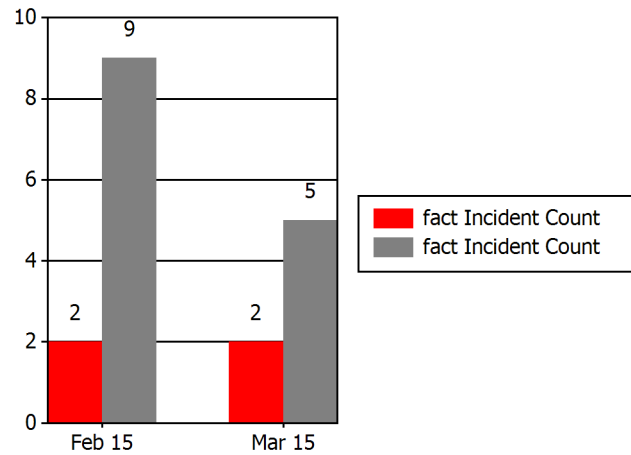
PENNYBURN RD, ., KILWINNING	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	2

Vehicle Fires: Deliberate



Top 10 Deliberate Vehicle Fire Locations

Rubbish Fires

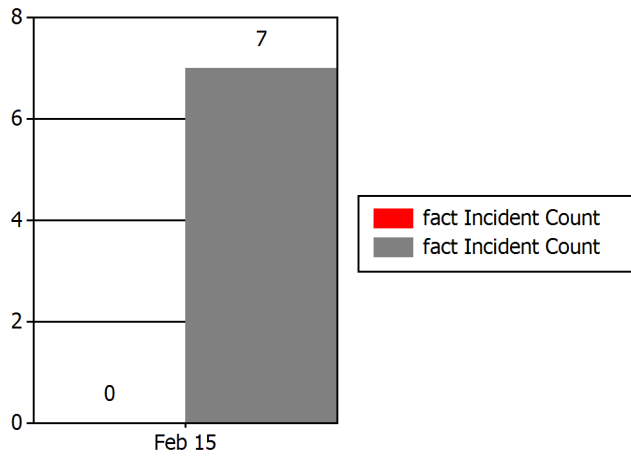


Top 10 Rubbish Fire Locations

Street	Incident Count
ATHOLL GDNS, ., KILWINNING	1
BYRES RD, ., KILWINNING	1
INNERWOOD RD, ., KILWINNING	1
IRVINE RD, ., KILWINNING	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	4

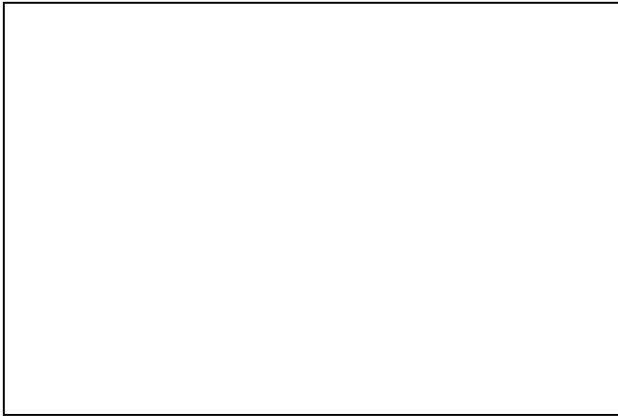
Heath and Grass Fires

Top 10 Heath and Grass Fire Locations



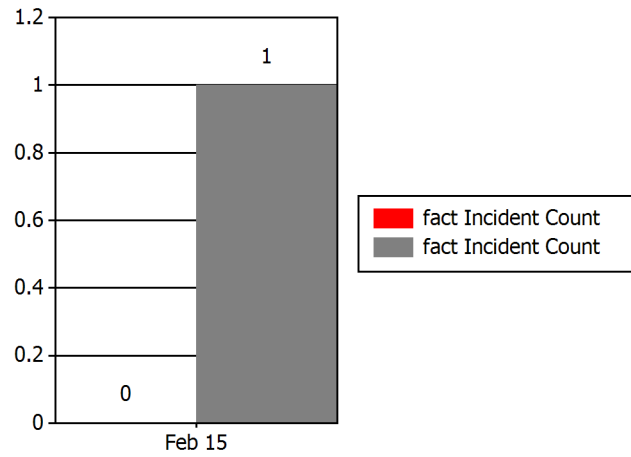
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Top 10 Accidental Derelict Buildings Locations

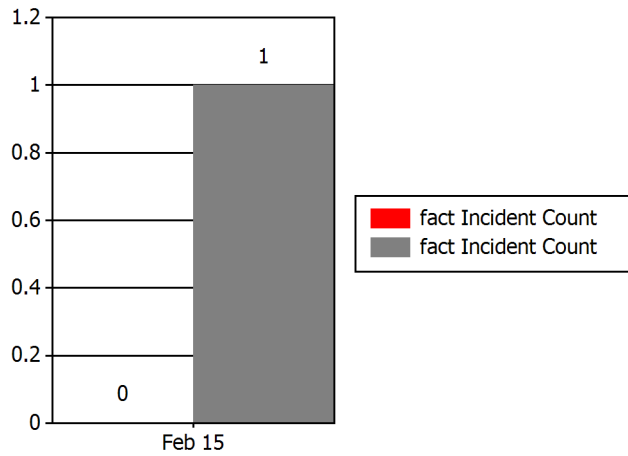
Derelict Buildings: Deliberate



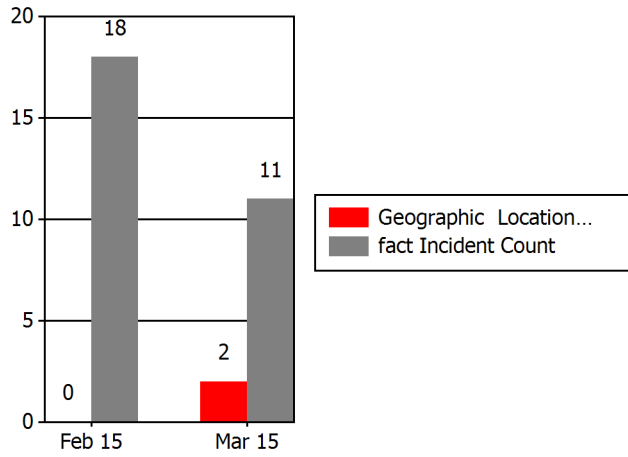
Top 10 Deliberate Derelict Buildings Locations

False Alarms: Malicious

Top 10 Malicious False Alarm Locations



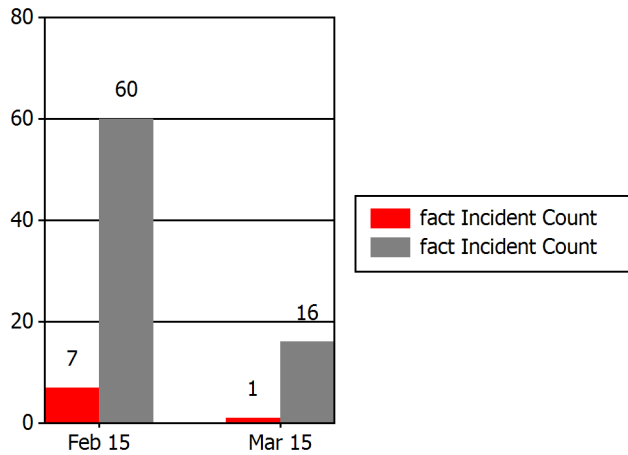
False Alarms: Good Intent



Top 10 Good Intent False Alarm Locations

Street	Incident Count
DALRY RD, ., KILWINNING	1
ST WINNINGS LANE, ., KILWINNING	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	2

False Alarms: Equipment Fault

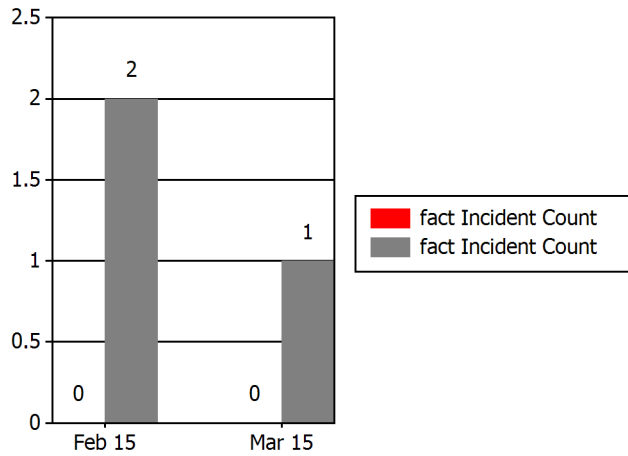


Top 10 Equipment Fault False Alarm Locations

Street	Incident Count
DALRY RD, ., KILWINNING	4
BLACKLANDS CRES, ., KILWINNING	1
CAMBUSDOON PL, ., KILWINNING	1
REDSTONE FARM, ., KILWINNING	1
ROSEMOUNT, ., KILWINNING	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	8

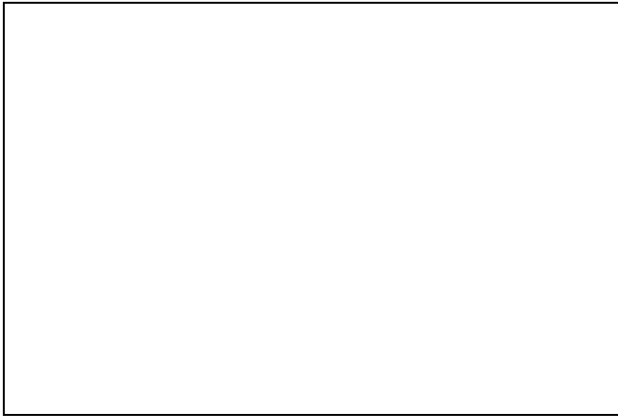
Road Traffic Collisions

Top 10 Road Traffic Collision Locations



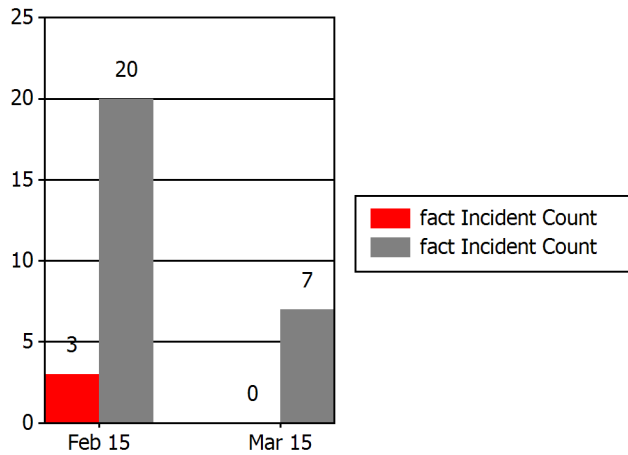
Water Related Incidents

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No Data Available



Top 10 Water Related Incident Locations

Other Special Services*



Top 10 Other Special Services* Locations

Street	Incident Count
CLAREMONT CRES, ., KILWINNING	1
CRANNOG WAY, ., KILWINNING	1
DALJARROCK, ., KILWINNING	1
Total Incidents in all Ward Streets	3

* - Excluding road traffic collisions and water related incidents

Report Description

Given a date range, council and ward, this report provides demographic, incident, casualty and fatality information in tabular format. It also charts and lists the top ten street locations for a chosen list of incident types.

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 4

26 March 2015

Kilwinning Area Committee

Subject: Maintenance of Cycle Paths

Purpose: To advise the Area Committee on the arrangements for the maintenance of the cycle path network around Kilwinning.

Recommendation: The Committee is asked to note the work that is ongoing to introduce a formalised inspection and maintenance regime for the cycle path network.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 At the Kilwinning Area Committee meeting held on 10 December 2014 the Committee asked for a report to be prepared on the maintenance of cycle paths in the Kilwinning area.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 The Council is responsible for the maintenance and management of the adopted public road and footway network under Section 1 of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984. In addition the Council is also responsible for the Core Path Network, which includes cycle routes, as shown for the Kilwinning area in Appendix 1. The adopted path network is shown, coloured orange, and the additional Core Path Network is shown, coloured purple.
- 2.2 A review of the Council's approach to managing its building and land assets was undertaken during 2013. The review recognised that various services had responsibility for open space and unadopted road assets, leading to inconsistencies in their management and prioritisation of investment. As a result of the review, the maintenance of the surfaces of all Council paths is now the responsibility of Roads and Transportation, with Streetscene having responsibility for vegetation management, cleansing and litter picking.

- 2.3 Both Roads and Transportation and Streetscene recognise the need to introduce a formalised inspection and maintenance regime for all Council assets and are currently carrying out an exercise to identify and record the attributes of the additional assets transferred to their responsibility in 2013. This is a considerable exercise as limited asset information was transferred from other Services. Once all the information has been identified an inspection regime will be introduced to inspect them alongside other roads assets.
- 2.4 Under the Code of Practice for Litter & Refuse, local response times have been determined for various categories of land. Cycle paths fall into the 'low intensity of use' category, with a fourteen day response time to return to an acceptable standard where acceptable standards of litter and refuse have been identified as not having been achieved. This response time recognises the limited resources available within Streetscene and the wide portfolio of land assets to be maintained.
- 2.5 A report was submitted to the Physical Environment Advisory Panel on 9 March 2015 to inform members of the work that has been undertaken in collaboration with 11 other Roads Authorities to develop a new Road Safety Inspection and Defect Categorisation guidance document. Implementation of the new guidance document will provide additional resilience within the current inspection process and enable inspections to be carried out on the additional assets transferred from other Services.
- 2.6 The review of Roads and Streetscene currently being carried out may also help identify improved working practices that can be adopted to assist in the maintenance of cycle path surfaces and cleansing and litter picking.
- 2.7 It is anticipated that a new inspection regime will be introduced during 2015/16, with a recommended inspection frequency identified for the various types of cycle paths across the network.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 The Committee is asked to note the contents of this report and the work that is ongoing to introduce a formalised inspection regime for the cycle path network.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 The adopted footpath network is maintained through the Council's Roads budget, with a separate budget for the maintenance of unadopted roads and open space assets, which includes the cycle path network. Expenditure on the maintenance of paths is prioritised based on assessed need, i.e. relative condition and categorisation.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 An assessment of the existing staffing resources is currently being undertaken as part of the Roads and Streetscene review, which will inform how these additional inspections may be carried out in the future.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 The Council has a statutory obligation under Section 1 of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 to manage and maintain the adopted road network. The Council is also responsible for other roads assets through the Occupiers Liability (Scotland) Act 1960.

Equality Implications

- 4.4 There are no equality implications.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

- 4.5 There are no environmental implications.

Implications for Key Priorities

- 4.6 There are no direct implications for key priorities arising from this report.

Community Benefit Implications

- 4.7 The introduction of a formal inspection and maintenance regime for cycle paths across North Ayrshire will help contribute to improving the health and wellbeing of North Ayrshire's communities.

5. Consultations

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

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 The Committee is asked to note the contents of this report and the work that is ongoing to introduce a formalised inspection regime for the cycle path network.



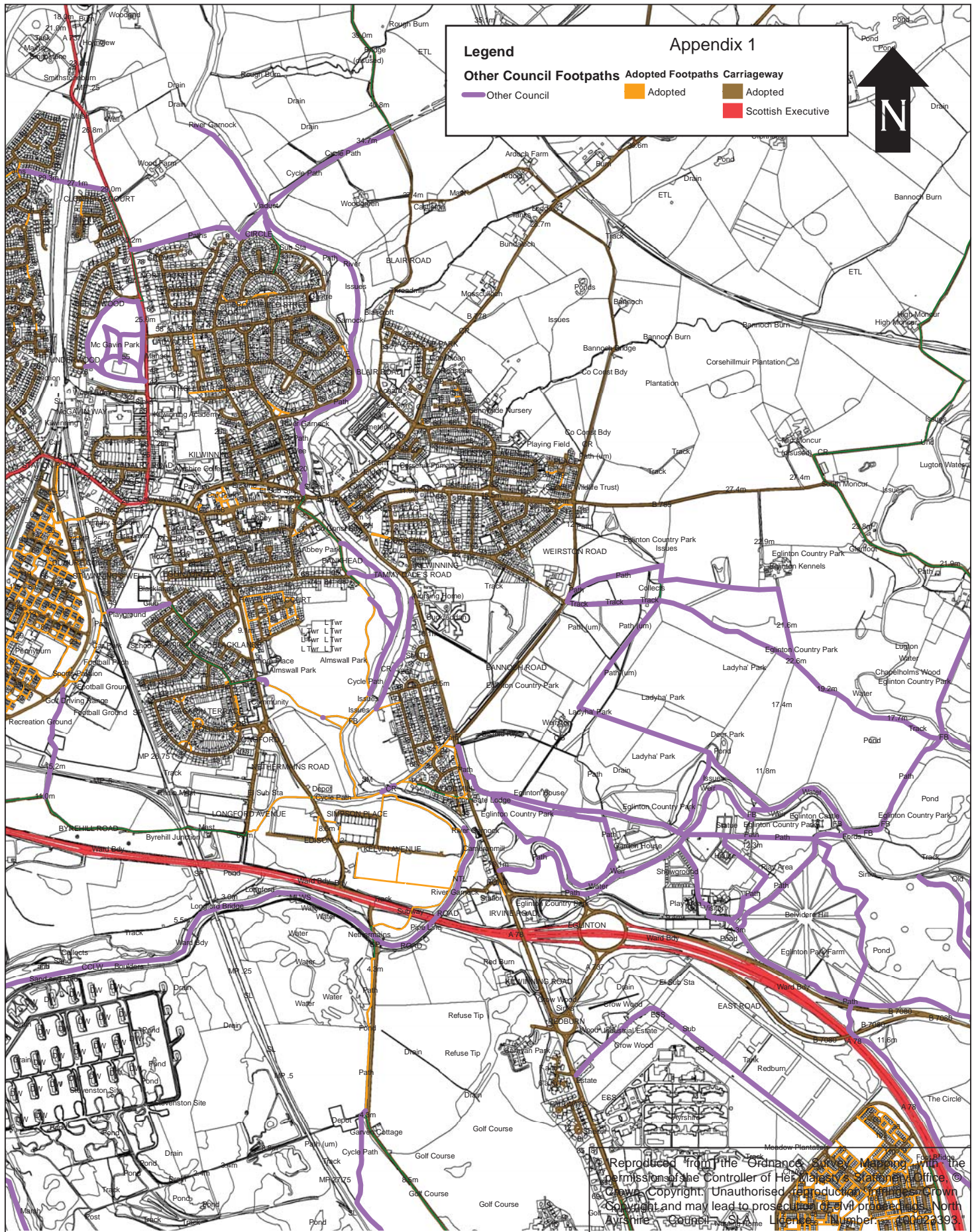
CRAIG HATTON
Executive Director (Place)

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For further information please contact Joe Smith, Senior Network Manager
Roads & Transportation on 01294 225203

Background Papers

None



Title:

Kilwinning



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NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 5

26 March 2015

Kilwinning Area Committee

Subject: Eglinton Country Park

Purpose: To provide information to the Committee on recent initiatives at Eglinton Country Park.

Recommendation: That the Committee agrees to note the report and the information contained at Appendix 1.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Eglinton Country Park provides a range of activities which benefit the local community and which attract visitors (c. 309, 000 in 2012) from across North Ayrshire and beyond.
- 1.2 The park has introduced a number of innovative projects in relation to health, education and community capacity building but a number of challenges to sustainability and future development also exist.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 The Kilwinning Area Committee has requested an update on the work of the park and information in relation to this is contained in Appendix 1.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 It is proposed that Committee notes the information contained within the report, which is attached at Appendix 1.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 There are no human resources implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 There are no legal requirements arising from this report.

Equality Implications

- 4.4 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

- 4.5 There are no environmental implications arising from this report.

Implications for Key Priorities

- 4.6 There are no key priorities implications arising from this report.

5. Consultations

- 5.1 None required.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 That the Committee notes the information contained within the accompanying report.



KAREN YEOMANS
Executive Director (Economy and Communities)

Reference :

For further information please contact Audrey Sutton, Head of Service (Connected Communities) on 01294 324414

Background Papers

None

Kilwinning Area Committee
Report – Eglinton Country Park - (February 2015)

Country Park Master Planning Programme

The Council is preparing a Master Plan to guide the next 5 years of development within Eglinton Country Park. Consultation with a range of individuals, the local community and user groups, continues to take place and will guide the preparation of the Plan. The outcome will create a focus on opportunities that are currently available and potential opportunities that could be in the pipeline (without damaging the Country Park's intrinsic value as a haven for peace and tranquillity within the local community).

Country Parks Section – Restructure

The restructure of the section was carried out in March. The section is now much clearer and more defined in its goals both within the Country Park and wider district. Staff morale has improved drastically in the months since.

Visitor Numbers 2014

Note: To use the previous calculations based on financial year end, the service would show a drop in recorded 298,764 vehicle borne visitors in the 2014, down from 307,246 in 2013. This did not reflect the significant increase shown in direct service contact figures with visitors. It became clear that for two years past the total visitor number figures were being based on the main access road car counter sending incorrect data to one of two PC's. On recalibrating the units and 'backtracking the figures', the data then corresponded with the second PC figures shown below:

Vehicle Borne Visitors

2012 – 339,617
 2013 – 327,664
 2014 – 335,284

This is in keeping with the other figures linked to events, direct contact visitors, café and Visitor Centre numbers etc. A large ten day Mega-Geocache Event in July swelled the numbers this year along with regular Park Run days, which are now extremely popular and a new Sports Relief event in March. The remaining 10 pedestrian entrances into the Country Park still cannot be monitored but we estimate that we have an additional 30,000 visitors approx. per annum.

Direct Contact Visitors

Our target for direct contact visitors for 2014-15 is 35,000.

2011/12: 29, 626 (Target = 29,000)

2012/13: 32, 367 (Target = 31,000)

2013/14: 34, 021 (Target = 33,000)

We have a total for first three quarters is 43,852 . This means that we will likely finish Q4 around the 46,000 visitor mark.

Events and Activities 2014/15

The events programme for 2014/15 has been a success yet again with a significantly increased number (of ranger led events and activities within Eglinton and to a lesser degree the district.

- 'Wild Toddlers' Events aimed at parents with very young children have been increased significantly this year due to demand.

Events and Activities 2014/15 cont

- 'Looking at Nature's Loveliness' a series of traditional holistic guided walks inspired by the Scottish conservationist John Muir and were successful (weather dependent).
- 'Get Hooked on Fishing' is now being run by a local volunteer (police officer) with success at Eglinton, however the district roll-out has not taken place due to other work pressures.
- Long standing programmes such as Acorn Club and Wild Wednesdays continuing to attract families and young people.
- 'Celebrating North Ayrshire's Biodiversity' Events. These district based events proved popular consisting of a series of traditional guided walks promoting conservation and the service.
- The staff (in their own time) contributed to Marymass by constructing and displaying a 'wildlife' float promoting Eglinton and the Rangers and won first award.
- The Ranger Service and Information & Culture Play Ranger promoted Eglinton through family based activities for a day at the 'Celebrate Ayrshire' event at Culzean Country Park.

Other non-ranger run events included charity runs for Race for Life and Sports Relief, the Mega Geocaching Event and West Coast Car Rally. Dog Shows/Events still prove popular with ten held this year. This also has significantly boosted the income from camping..

Thanks to both Senior Ranger's careful planning, we will be holding more than 60 Ranger led and jointly led events in 2015 along with 23 (so far) independent events.

Schools

Ongoing with a range of Park and school based topics now strictly linked to measurable HMIE topic work. School placements increased to eight young people working with us for a week this year.

Local Biodiversity Action Plan

- The Service has contributed to the development of the new Council LBAP and is actively carrying out aspects of this work through various community based projects and primarily in the wider district. However two zoology students from the University of Glasgow were placed with the Rangers in June and July carrying out a full farmland bird survey for the Country Park. All data goes towards the LBAP. All surveys carried out in 2014 are available.

Factory Development

- Slow but positive progress with the development.
- Access from the Main entrance to the Kilwinning Entrance still closed and causing major problems in running larger events (traffic, pedestrian movement).
- As before, regular complaints are received about the state of 'the Park', as many visitors including those who are aware of the land ownership issues, see the overall 'look' as poor and tend to see the Council as failing rather than the developer.
- Lack of car parking continues to present a major problem for the Park on busy days, but this is being progressed through various council sections at present. Funding approved for work to commence on new replacement car park as of 12/03/2015.

Infrastructure

- Victorian Style Gate damaged beyond repair at Chapelhomes has since been replaced.

- The footbridge in Chapelhomes Wood continues to be monitored by NAC engineers following concerns regarding erosion and the proximity to adjacent paths. This is to be replaced in 2015.

Infrastructure cont

- A systematic maintenance plan is now underway to repair/replace damaged fence lines within the Eglinton. In 2014 repairs took place within the Park within five fields at a cost of £18,000. In the early days of the country park many of the fences acted as animal enclosures to reduce the damage to young trees, segregate recreational users etc. Since the access legislation was introduced some years ago, the need to segregate users has decreased. In 2014 we removed 1,029 meters, 2 x redundant metal field gates, 1 x wooden field gate and 3 x pedestrian gates. Avoiding the expense of replacing these equates to a saving of £5,825 to the Park's budget. Further works both to replace and remove redundant fencing/gates is planned for 2015.

Security

- Security measures have been installed that are designed to reduce the incidences of unauthorised encampments, however the risk is still present and the campsite field is only available to club/groups of ten vans or over.

Trainees, Volunteers and Project Groups

- Two **Modern Apprentices** completed their SVQ's with one gaining full time employment at the Park and one going on to college and part time work with North Ayrshire Leisure.
- **Scottish Countryside Ranger Association** CPD programme has been adopted for four Modern Apprentices employed at Eglinton in late 2014 in a newly developed 12 month training programme. We are the first Ranger Services in Scotland to take on this role. The course will provide a qualification to further education in the field and seasonal Ranger opportunities.
- **Breaking Ground** hospital and care referral group continues to develop plans for the Visitor Centre courtyard although progress is slow. We have now created a link with the Coach House Trust to move this forward in 2015.
- **Friends of Eglinton** Community Volunteer Group was re-launched in 2014 but numbers remain low averaging 4-8 volunteers. 285 total hours of volunteering took place in 2014. A planned switch of staff is planned has now taken place to develop the group.
- **The Ayrshire Community Trust** development of the Sampler Garden focusing on horticultural plant and organic soil production is now scheduled to start in March 2015.
- **ENABLE** Hazeldene Project. The proposed project to manage key area of the formal garden landscape at Eglinton (Burns Memorial Garden) cancelled due to funding issues. An alternative project is now being discussed with TACT.

Cameron Sharp
Country Parks Manager

NORTH Ayrshire Council

Agenda Item 6

26 March 2015

Kilwinning Area Committee

Subject: **Community Development Grant Scheme and Local Youth Action Fund: Applications for Financial Assistance**

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

Recommendation: That the Committee considers and determines the applications as outlined in the attached Appendix 2.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Community Development Grant Scheme for the Kilwinning area has a balance of £2,835.80 available for disbursement.
- 1.2 The Local Youth Action Fund is fully expended for this financial year.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 A number of applications have been received within a number of categories of the Community Development Grant Scheme Award. Details of these applications are summarised in the attached Appendix 2.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 It is proposed that the Committee considers and determines the applications as outlined in Appendix 2 to this report.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 Awards will be met from the available balance.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 There are no human resource implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Equality Implications

- 4.4 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

- 4.5 There are no environmental and sustainability implications arising from this report.

Implications for Key Priorities

- 4.6 The following single outcome agreements 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.

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

People are more active more often.
Health inequalities have reduced.
Mental wellbeing is improved.

North Ayrshire residents feel safer and communities are empowered:

More residents engage in community activities and volunteering.

5. Consultations

- 5.1 Consultation has taken place between the applicant body and appropriate officers of the Council as outlined in Appendix 3 to this report.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 Awards from the Community Development Grant Scheme award assist community-based projects, including cultural, social welfare, recreational or sporting based initiatives.



KAREN YEOMANS
Executive Director (Economy and Communities)

Reference : JMCH/BA

For further information please contact James McHarg, Community Engagement Manager, Economy and Communities, Connected Communities on 01294 324424.

Background Papers

None

Local Youth Action Fund 2014/15

Kilwinning

Amount Allocated 2013/14: £7,146

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Group/Organisation	Ref No. LYAF	Purpose of Grant	Area	Amount	Balance
				£	£7,146.00
Woodwynd Hall	1	Equipment	Woodwynd	1,194.05	£5,951.95
19th Ayrshire Scout Group	2	Jamboree and equipment	Town	1,821.70	£4,130.25
KSC Kilwinning Thistle	3	Football strips / kit bags	Town	994.00	£3,136.25
NA Darts Academy	4	Equipment	NA	380.00	£2,756.25
Kilwinning Comm Events	5	Event - Fireworks Display	Town	2,000.00	£756.25
Youth Under Construction	6	DofE equipment	Town	756.25	£0.00

Community Development Grants Scheme 2014/15				
Applications from Organisations seeking Financial Assistance - Kilwinning Area Committee Meeting - 26 March 2015				
Organisation	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
<p>Ayrshire Communities Education and Sport (ACES)</p> <p>Meeting place: Woodwynd Community Centre, Kilwinning</p> <p>Established: 2006 as a registered charity.</p> <p>Numbers attending: 70</p> <p>Balance in bank: £6,590.31 (restricted funds from BBC Children In Need, Robertson Trust and Awards for All)</p> <p>Past awards: CDGS 2009/10 awarded £2,200 towards general running costs. LYAF 2009/10 awarded £2,000 towards youth activities. 2010/11 awarded £845 towards a special event. 2012/13 awarded £1,326 towards sports equipment for young people. 2013/14 awarded £800 towards street soccer event.</p>	<p>To establish a community cafe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Booth style seating - £568.08 ● Safety flooring - £251.72 ● Panni maker - £129.99 ● Coffee machine - £277.54 ● Tradesman costs - £660 ● Sound system - £100 ● Tables and stools - £445.65 ● Framing, screws etc. - £475 ● Signage and tableware - £184.70 <p>Total cost of project - £3,092.68</p>	£2,000	£1,500	<p>The recommended amount takes into consideration that the group have been successful in promoting the main hall as a venue for children's parties and are able to put more funds towards the project.</p> <p>The idea of retro style cafe came from those involved with the centre, in particular some of the young people who are currently being trained as peer mentors. The proposed upgrading of the existing eating area has been in direct response to the recent incidences of young suicides in the local area.</p>
<p>The Ancient Society of Kilwinning Archers</p> <p>Meeting place: McGavin Park, Kilwinning Academy and Greenwood Academy.</p> <p>Established: 1483</p> <p>Numbers attending: 75 (approx)</p> <p>Balance in bank: £8,229.97 (general running costs, hall lets, targets, faces and beginners equipment).</p> <p>Past awards: 0</p>	<p>To purchase specialised silver medals and re-plate Provost's trophies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provision of medals required to bring Silver Arrow up to date - £1,500 ● To re-plate trophies presented by past Provosts - £500 <p>Total cost of project - £7,300 (not all items are listed within the application)</p>	£2,000	£1,335.80	<p>The balance available from the Community Development Grant Scheme Award does not have enough funds to fully support this group.</p> <p>The recommended amount will enable the group to purchase the necessary medals to bring the Silver Arrow (a historical piece of silverware dating back to 1697) up to date.</p> <p>The group can reapply in the new financial year if they require help to fund the re-plating of the trophies.</p>



Community Development Grants Scheme Assessment Form

1. Reporting Officer: Mary Scott
2. Department: Connected Communities
Telephone No.: 01294 324440

SECTION 1 - Details of Group/Organisation

3. Name of Group/Organisation: Ayrshire Communities Education and Sport (ACES)
4. Date of Officer's Visit: 3 March 2015
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?

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.

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

- People are more active more often.
- Health inequalities have reduced.
- Mental wellbeing is improved.

North Ayrshire residents feel safer and communities are empowered:

- More residents engage in community activities and volunteering.

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

The grant applied for will help offset the total cost of providing a multi-purpose 'drop in 50's retro cafe' facility within the building. The idea is to provide an attractive (and functional) public/private area, which will encourage both young and old to use the facility. Somewhere to meet, eat, socialise, talk and be listened to. A place that young people in particular could feel comfortable and supported in.

13. How does the application show innovation or development?

The idea for the retro style cafe came from those involved with the centre, in particular some of the young people who are currently being trained as peer mentors. The proposed upgrading of the existing eating area has been in direct response to the recent incidences of young suicides in the local area, when the centre acted as the unofficial meeting place for local people to take part in the searches for a missing youth.

Although the current youth clubs are successful, it was felt that this work could be enhanced by providing a multi purpose public/private area that would create an atmosphere that was more conducive to assisting young people to work through specific issues.

14. Overall assessment?

ACES is a registered charity that has been in existence since 2006. It is based at the Woodwynd Community Centre in Kilwinning. The organisation came about as a direct result of local residents identifying needs and coming together to organise and run a range of services and support for the local community.

The organisation has two paid members of staff and is reliant on a group of hard working volunteers to help deliver a range of services to the local community, these include youth clubs, a peer mentor project, a lunch club and activity group (over 65's), holiday and summer programmes (which regularly attract 85 children per day). Working in partnership with other organisations staff are also involved in diversionary and transitional groups within the local schools. More recent developments have included becoming a hub for the food bank distribution.

Volunteers and staff present as motivated, well organised and community minded. The grant applied for will help offset the total cost of the project which is estimated at £3,092.68. This is to upgrade an existing area of the centre from a drab school dining hall into a multipurpose 'drop in 50's retro cafe' facility within the building. The idea is to provide an attractive (and functional) public/private area, which will encourage both young and old to make more use of the facility.

From my discussions with both staff and volunteers, I would consider the proposal to be realistic and achievable.

ACES is a good example of people working hard and taking action to address issues and provide services and support to others in their local community, and should be supported by North Ayrshire Council.

SECTION 3 - Details of Proposed Expenditure

15. Amount Requested: £2,000

16. Group Contribution: £1,092.68

SECTION 4 - Recommendation

17. Support Application: Yes

18. Defer Application?

19. Amount recommended: **£1,500**

Give reasons

In further discussion with staff, I was advised that they have been successful in promoting the main hall as a venue for children's parties. This recent development has proved to be a successful fundraiser and as a consequence they are confident that they would be able to make up the shortfall in the North Ayrshire grant within a reasonable time scale.

In view of this and North Ayrshire Council's grants restricted budgets, I would recommend the awarding of a grant of £1,500. The grant will enable ACES to pay for all the larger items i.e. joinery work, materials, new flooring etc., which will free the group up to fundraise for the remaining items.

Signature: Mary Elizabeth Scott

Date: 4 March 2015



Community Development Grants Scheme Assessment Form

1. Reporting Officer: Bernadette Anderson
2. Department: Connected Communities
Telephone No.: 01294 324468

SECTION 1 - Details of Group/Organisation

3. Name of Group/Organisation: The Ancient Society of Kilwinning Archers
4. Date of Officer's Visit: 4 March 2015
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?

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.

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

- People are more active more often.
- Health inequalities have reduced.
- Mental wellbeing is improved.

North Ayrshire residents feel safer and communities are empowered:

- More residents engage in community activities and volunteering.

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

The expenditure will benefit the group and the local community by preserving and maintaining the Society's trophies, notably the Silver Arrow, which dates back to 1697 and is an important historical item which is considered to also be a part of Kilwinning's heritage. At the moment the Silver Arrow is sited in Kilwinning Library, however it has to be moved out of there due to refurbishment work. The group have requested a space in Cunninghame House - they are awaiting a decision of this from the Council.

13. How does the application show innovation or development?

The members have represented Scotland at international events and have appeared several times on the BBC associated with their annual Papingo Shoots, which helps to promote the local area and encourage others to take up the sport of archery.

The group have plans in place to encourage more young people to take part in the sport and are working with Active Schools to enable this to happen.

14. Overall assessment?

The Silver Arrow has a long history going back to the 17th century with the first medal being dated 1697, which was before the Act of Union and before both of the subsequent Jacobite rebellions.

The present day society still holds this competition to determine the Captain and have continued to fix medals to the trophy, although they experience difficulty in sourcing appropriate medals at a sensible cost as it is important that any new medals going on remain 'in keeping' with what is already on it. They have to be silver and be an appropriate size and design in keeping with the Silver Arrow.

The backlog of medals dates back to 1982, however some members have won the medals two or three times and only one medal with their name and dates engraved will go on the Silver Arrow.

The group have started up a Heritage Fund, paying funds into this pot to fund future medals in the years ahead and to maintain the Silver Arrow.

The purpose of the grant funding will allow the group to purchase the required medals in keeping with the Silver Arrow and to re-plate historical trophies presented by past Provosts.

SECTION 3 - Details of Proposed Expenditure

15. Amount Requested: £2,000

16. Group Contribution: £5,300

SECTION 4 - Recommendation

17. Support Application: Yes

18. Defer Application?

19. Amount recommended: **£1,335.80**

Give reasons

The grant award will help towards purchasing the silver medals in keeping with the historical Silver Arrow. The recommended amount reflect the amount available in the budget for this financial year, however the group could apply in the new financial year for the repair to the historical trophies i.e. replating of the provosts trophies.

Signature: Bernadette Anderson

Date: 4 March 2015

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 7

26 March 2015

Kilwinning Area Committee

Subject: North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust

Purpose: To advise the Committee of an application received in respect of the Trust

Recommendation: That the Committee (a) notes the financial position; and (b) considers and determines the application.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 North Ayrshire Council previously approved the establishment of Charitable Trusts at its meeting in January 2012. A subsequent report was submitted to the Committee on 28 November 2013 outlining the proposed procedure for considering applications and grants from the Trust. At its meeting on 6 March 2013 the Council, as Trustees, agreed to delegate the administration of the Kilwinning Trust, including disbursements from these Trusts, to the Kilwinning Area Committee.
- 1.2 In the case of the Kilwinning Trust, funds are held for purpose of:
- A. the prevention or relief of poverty,
 - B. the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended, and
 - C. the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.
- 1.3 The Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Support) confirmed to the Council on 2 April 2014 that the amount available for disbursement from the Kilwinning Charitable Trust for 2014/15 is £2,039 (£2,020 for purpose A and £19 for purpose C). To date, £495 has been expended leaving a balance for 2014/15 of £1544 as detailed in Appendix 1.

2. Current Position

- 2.1 The Trustees' primary obligation is to consider whether an application meets the trust purposes in accordance with the terms of the Trust Deed. In so doing, the Trustees must act in good faith. The Committee must, therefore, take cognisance of the facts behind any application. Each application should be considered on its own merit.
- 2.2 The attached schedule provides details of the application received.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 It is proposed that the Committee (a) notes the financial position; and (b) considers and determines the application for financial assistance, having regard to the satisfaction of the Trust purposes.

4. Implications

Financial Implications

- 4.1 The grant award can be met from the available budget.

Human Resource Implications

- 4.2 There are no human resource implications.

Legal Implications

- 4.3 Applicants must fulfil the criteria required by The Trust. In the case of the Kilwinning Trust, funds are held for
- Purpose A - the prevention or relief of poverty;
 - Purpose B - the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended, and
 - Purpose C - the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

Equality Implications

- 4.4 There are no equality implications.

Environmental and Sustainability Implications

- 4.5 There are no environmental implications.

Implications for Key Priorities

- 4.6 The award of funding contributes to the following outcomes:

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.

North Ayrshire residents feel safer and communities are empowered:

More residents engage in community activities and volunteering.

5. Consultations

- 5.1 Legal, Finance and Corporate Support, Economy and Communities, have been consulted on the applications.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 The Committee is asked to consider and determine the applications for financial assistance as detailed in the attached schedule.



ELMA MURRAY
Chief Executive

Reference :

For further information please contact Hayley Clancy, Committee Services Support Officer on 324136

Background Papers

None

North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust (Kilwinning)

ANALYSIS OF GRANTS EXPENDITURE 2014/15

GRANT REF	APPLICANT	PURPOSE	BALANCE OF BUDGET		
			AWARD	REVENUE	CAPITAL
			£	£	£
	BUDGET			2039	
	Recommended Expenditure				
01/14/15	Ms M Kerr	headstone	£495.00	£1,544.00	

KILWINNING CHARITABLE TRUST – SUMMARY OF APPLICATION

APPLICANT/ JUSTIFICATION OF CRITERIA	PURPOSE	AMOUNT REQUESTED £	PREVIOUS AWARDS £
<p>Kilwinning Weightlifting Club</p> <p>Grant is to cover rent, utilities and competition entries.</p>	<p>Legal, Finance and Education have commented on the application, as undernoted:-</p> <p><u>Legal</u></p> <p>This application meets the criteria of Purpose B, as the application notes the grant will particularly assist non-working families and young persons. However, neither the club nor their proposed use of the grant is specifically targeted at these groups.</p> <p>In summary, the grant can be justified in terms of the trust deed on the following grounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The application meets the criteria of Purpose B ; • Funds are available as there are at present insufficient applications for assistance for Purpose A. <p><u>Finance</u> has reviewed the application and the expenditure detailed is for running costs.</p> <p>The fund does not provide for the provision of recreational facilities or the organisation of recreational activities.</p> <p>The fund is restricted to - the provision of relief of poverty and the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.</p> <p><u>Economy & Communities (Community Development)</u></p> <p>Economy and Communities are supportive of this application as a one-off award to alleviate the possible damage to muscles/ligaments if the premises are not equipped to control the temperature. The organisation will have to find alternative means of funding for their general running costs in the future and Dianna Whyte, External Grants Officer will be able to help the group source external funding possibilities.</p>	1500	