

Ardrossan and Arran, Saltcoats and Stevenston Area Committee  
21 January 2016

**STEVENSTON, 21 January 2016** - At a Meeting of the Ardrossan and Arran, Saltcoats and Stevenston Area Committee of North Ayrshire Council at 2.00 p.m.

**Present**

John Bruce, Willie Gibson, John Hunter, Ronnie McNicol, Peter McNamara and Alan Munro.

**In Attendance**

J. McHarg, Senior Manager and B. Anderson, Performance/Grants Officer (Economy and Communities); P. Barrett, Finance Officer (Treasury and Cash) (Finance and Corporate Support); E. McLaren Solicitor (Legal); and H. Clancy, Committee Services Support Officer.

**Also In Attendance**

Inspector B. McSkimming (Police Scotland); and Station Manager G. Fleming (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service).

**Chair**

Councillor John Bruce in the Chair.

**Apologies for Absence**

Tony Gurney.

**1. Declarations of Interest**

In terms of Standing Order 10 and Section 5 of the Code of Conduct for Councillors, Councillor McNamara, as a volunteer with the Group, declared an indirect financial interest in Agenda Item 6 (North Ayrshire Council (Ardrossan) Charitable Trust) in relation to the grant application by Ardrossan Music Experience.

**2. Minutes**

The accuracy of the Minutes of the meeting held on 12 November 2015 was confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

**3. Community Planning Partnership Partner**

**3.1 Police Scotland**

Inspector McSkimming reported on recent crime and offences, community policing actions and initiatives from 16 November 2015 to 18 January 2016, directed patrol plans, campaign against violence strategy, and public events.

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

- incidents in licensed premises due to extended hours over the festive period;
- drink driving statistics over the festive period;
- hate crime being reported;
- CCTV aiding the high detection rates of crime incidents and;
- a parking issue at local primary schools together with the possibility of signage or yellow lines to alleviate this.

The Committee agreed to request that the Executive Director (Education and Youth Employment) and Executive Director (Place) provide details of the school where parking restriction signage has been successful.

### **3.2 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service**

Submitted report on Scottish Fire and Rescue Service activity within the Committee's area during the period 1 November 2015 to 10 January 2016.

Station Manager Fleming advised Members that crews have highlighted two main areas for obstructed access for fire vehicles in Sidney Street and Mayfield Road, Saltcoats.

Members asked questions and were provided with information in relation to access to Caledonia nursing home for fire vehicles.

The Committee agreed to request that the Executive Director (Place) examine the requirement for road markings to prevent parking problems currently experienced at Sidney Street and Mayfield Road, Saltcoats.

### **4. Community Development Grants Scheme and Local Youth Action Fund: Applications for Financial Assistance**

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

The Committee agreed (a) to make the following awards:-

#### **Community Development Grant Scheme Organisation**

St. Anthony's Primary School Parent Council  
Ardrossan Winton Rovers Football Club  
The International, Historical, Cultural and  
Geographical Agency

#### **Award**

£810.86  
£1,000  
£750 due to balance on  
account being restricted  
funds.

#### **Local Youth Action Fund**

##### **Organisation**

Three Towns Friday Night Group

#### **Award**

£1,873

and (b) to award (i) £1,750 to Caledonian Piping Club and (ii) £2,000 to Arran High School Mountain Bike Group solely from the Local Youth Action Fund, subject to receipt of appropriate application forms.

Councillor McNicol left the meeting at this point.

#### **5. Saltcoats Common Good Fund: Application for Financial Assistance**

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on an application received in respect of the Saltcoats Common Good Fund for 2015/16.

The Committee agreed not to make an award to 3TFM Community Radio for Health at this time.

#### **6. North Ayrshire Council (Ardrossan) Charitable Trust**

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on applications received in respect of the North Ayrshire Council (Ardrossan Charitable Trust).

The Committee agreed to (a) make no award to North Ayrshire Foodbank; and (b) award £4053.07 to Ardrossan Youth Association and £4053.07 to Ardrossan Music Experience, both payments being subject to confirmation from OSCR that it is satisfied regarding the depletion of the Trust balance.

#### **7. Valedictory**

The Committee were asked to note the sad passing of Mr Iain Frame of Arran and Mr Gavin McInnes as valued and respected members of the local community.

The meeting ended at 3.15 p.m