

North Ayrshire Council
13 January 1998

Irvine, 13 January 1998 - Minutes of the Meeting of North Ayrshire Council held in the Council Chambers, Cunninghame House, Irvine on Tuesday 13 January 1998 at 5.00 p.m.

Present

George Steven, John Donn, Thomas Barr, Patrick Browne, Jack Carson, James Clements, Stewart Dewar, David Gallagher, Samuel Gooding, Jane Gorman, Elliot Gray, Irene Oldfather, James Jennings, Joseph McKinney, Peter McNamara, Thomas Morris, David Munn, Margaret Munn, Alan Munro, David O'Neill, Robert Rae, Robert Reilly, Gena Seales, Samuel Taylor, Richard Wilkinson.

In Attendance

The Chief Executive, the Directors of Education, Housing Services, Social Work, Commercial Services, Financial Services, Community and Recreational Services and Planning, Roads and Environment, the Head of Corporate Business, the Personnel Services Manager, the Legal Services Manager, the Architectural Services Manager, the Information Technology Services Manager and the Principal Officer Policy/Administration.

Chair

Mr Steven in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

Ian Clarkson, Margaret Highet, Elizabeth McLardy and John Sillars.

1. Minutes Confirmed

The Minutes of the Meeting of North Ayrshire Council held on 20 November 1997 were confirmed.

2. National Examination Board for Supervision Management

The Convener reported that 14 Managers within the Commercial Services Directorate had completed the National Examination Board for Supervision and Management Introductory Course. Nine of the employees were present at the meeting.

The Convener on behalf of the Council congratulated the Managers on their successful completion of their course and presented to each of those present the certificates on behalf of the Examination Board.

3. Strathclyde Police

The Council received the Divisional Commander Ian Anderson who has recently been appointed to the post within the U Division of Strathclyde Police. Divisional Commander Anderson spoke of his pleasure at attaining this post and that he was looking forward to working closely with the Council.

Noted.

4. Reports of Committees

The annexed reports of Committees being the Minutes of their Meetings as undernoted were submitted, moved and seconded in terms of standing order No. 9 and were approved as follows:-

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***Social Work Committee: 3 December 1997**

That Item 3 on Page 51 of the report the following words be added to the first paragraph:-
"Councillor Wilkinson declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion".

***Housing Services Committee: 4 December 1997**

Councillor Taylor advised that in relation to the decision on Item 5 of Page 62 he had received a petition signed by 270 local residents at Shore Road, Stevenston objecting to the decision.

The Council agreed to accept the petition and to advise those who had signed that an exhibition on the proposals would be held shortly where local people would be welcome to attend and be given further details on the proposals.

***Special Corporate Strategy Committee: 16 December 1997**

Councillor Wilkinson requested that his dissent be recorded in respect of that part of the decision of Item 1 on Page 132 of the report relating to the delay/non-filling of selected posts.

Noted.

5. Authorisation of the Execution of Deeds on behalf of North Ayrshire Council

The Council authorised in terms of Section 194 (2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 the execution of the following deeds on behalf of the Council.

FUE DISPOSITIONS by North Ayrshire Council in favour of the undernoted and with regard to the subjects shown:-

Harold Lafferty	101 Livingston Terrace, Irvine
Edith Valerie Taggart	83 Chapelhill Mount, Ardrossan
Margaret Barr	10 Steps Road, Irvine
Yvonne Davidson	5 Rigfoot, Girdle Toll
Mr and Mrs J Higgins	2 Centenary Place, Ardrossan
Alan McCall	22 Churchill Avenue, Kilwinning
Bethia Bruce	50 Churchill Drive, Ardrossan
Elizabeth Montgomery	25a Bensley Avenue, Girdle Toll
Alexandra Sweeney	9 Davaar Road, Saltcoats
John McMillan	24 Beggs Terrace, Ardrossan

Lois Cairney	35 Lewis Wynd, Irvine
Linda Carson	16 Chapelhill Place, Irvine
Helen Lawson	51 Boglemart Street, Stevenston
James Butler	35 Cheviot Way, Irvine
Kathleen McMahon	24 Cumbrae Road, Saltcoats
Annie Thompson	10 Paduff Place, Kilbirnie
Mr and Mrs G Davidson	25 Lomond Place, Irvine
Mr and Mrs J McCready	32b Dalry Road, Kilwinning
Mr and Mrs R Campbell	28 Linn Road, Ardrossan
Ms R and I Boyce	31 Sunderland Court, Kilbirnie
Mr and Mrs G Hutton	1 Hawkhill Place, Stevenston
Hazel Hunter	34 Park View, Ardrossan
Kay Sweeney	18 Burns Terrace, Ardrossan
Mr and Mrs H Loach	154 Leven Place, Irvine
Frances O'Boyle	2a Anderson Terrace, Ardrossan
Marion Pitts and Harry Steele	24 Stanley Road, Ardrossan
Mr and Mrs J Lorimer	38 New Street, Beith
Mr and Mrs T Thornton	9 Mossgiel Road, Ardrossan
Mr and Mrs W M Eadie	69 Eastern Avenue, Largs
Mr and Mrs John Gilston	23 Bilby Terrace, Irvine
Mr and Mrs W Wilson and Raymond Wilson	2 Abbeygreen, Kilwinning
Mr and Mrs Ian Blair	33 Sycamore Avenue, Beith
Linda Hay	11 Greenwood Road, Dreghorn
Mr and Mrs T Montgomery	63 High Road, Saltcoats

Mr and Mrs R Graham	25 Highfield Place, Girdle Toll
Mr and Mrs J Copeland	7 Fortacre Place, Girdle Toll
Mr and Mrs R Bates	21 Lomond Place, Irvine
Mr and Mrs R Kyle	42 Rubie Crescent, Irvine
Mr and Mrs H Aitken	45 Stockbridge Crescent, Kilbirnie

NOTICE OF PAYMENT OF IMPROVEMENT GRANT in respect of the undernoted subjects:-

53 Kings Road, Beith
17 Milton Road, Kilbirnie
15 Milton Road, Kilbirnie
1 Smith Street, Dalry
83 High Road, Saltcoats
23 Hillcrest Drive, Stevenston
134 St. Margaret Avenue, Dalry
34 Garnock Street, Dalry
17 Milton Road, Kilbirnie
134 St. Margaret Avenue, Dalry
14 Ardrossan Road, Saltcoats
48 Dalry Road, Saltcoats
23 Jacks Road, Saltcoats
16 Ardrossan Road, Saltcoats
32 West Doura Avenue, Saltcoats
46 Noddleburn Road, Largs

1 West Doura Avenue, Saltcoats

DISCHARGE by North Ayrshire Council in favour of Andrew Barbour and Mrs Agnes Barbour, 32 The Roundel, Largs.

PROHIBITION OF DRIVING ORDER 1997, Courthill Street, Dalry

PROHIBITION OF DRIVING ORDER 1997, Woodwynd, Kilwinning

MINUTES OF AMENDMENT TO LEASE between North Ayrshire Council and Annick Manufacturing Ltd, 22 St. Quivox Road, Prestwick, KA9 1LJ (Unit 75 Kyle Road Industrial Estate, Irvine).

30MPH SPEED LIMIT ORDER 1997, B777 Gateside.

ASSIGNATION by North Ayrshire Council in favour of ATM Motors Ltd, 100, 102 & 104 Boglemart Street, Stevenston.

EARLY ENTRY re: Cell No. 97555 Bridgegate House (The Site).

DISPOSITION by North Ayrshire Council in favour of Neil Alexander Ingram, 44 Nelson Street, Largs.

CHARGING ORDER: Southmost Top Floor Flat 14, Brisbane Road, Largs.

MINUTE OF WAIVER by North Ayrshire Council in favour of Brian Milne, 156a Dickson Drive, Irvine.

FEU DISPOSITION INCORPORATING GRANT OF SERVITUDE by North Ayrshire Council in favour of John Mitchell Murray Burgess and Mrs Margaret Jean Burgess, plot of ground adjacent to Harris Court, Dreghorn.

LEASE OF GAS GOVERNOR site at Avils Place, Kilbirnie

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DISPOSITION by North Ayrshire Council in favour of William Madden, 3 Bridgend, Kilbirnie.

ROADS ORDER: Woodside Road/Dalgarven, Kilwinning Temporary Weight Restriction Order 1997.

CHARGING ORDER by North Ayrshire Council, 74 Argyle Road, Saltcoats.

CHARGING ORDER by North Ayrshire Council, Dungoyne Shore Road, Lamlash, Arran.

LEASE between North Ayrshire Council and Brian Daniel O'Mara Judge, Shop Unit No. 8, Lower Vennel, Bourtrees Hill, Irvine.

6. Outbreak Control Plan for Ayrshire and Arran

The Convener welcomed to the meeting Dr. Maid Smellie, Consultant Public Health Medicine, Ayrshire and Arran Health Board along with Kevin McMunn, Senior Environmental Health Officer of North Ayrshire Council to make a presentation on the outbreak control plan for Ayrshire and Arran.

Both Dr. Smellie and Mr McMunn described the control plan in some detail along with the methodology of implementing the plan. They gave details of the outbreak support team who would be responsible for implementing the plan should any outbreak occur.

Following the presentation Members of the Council asked questions of Dr. Smellie and Mr McMunn to which they responded.

The Convener thanked Dr. Smellie and Mr McMunn for their very informative presentation.

7. Enterprise Ayrshire

The Convener welcomed to the meeting David MacDonald, Chief Executive of Enterprise Ayrshire and invited Mr MacDonald to make a presentation to the Council on the role of Enterprise Ayrshire and its links with North Ayrshire Council.

Mr MacDonald gave a full presentation which set out the role of Enterprise Ayrshire, the nature of their business and their vision for the Ayrshire economy. Details were provided of how Enterprise Ayrshire applied their resources and their principal activities. Particular detail was given to an analysis of Enterprise Ayrshire's expenditure and specific details were provided on the period of six months leading up to September 1997.

Thereafter Members of the Council put various questions to Mr MacDonald. These related in principle to:-

- (a) Special funding for the Three Towns area
- (b) Funding for CCTV in Irvine
- (c) Plans to develop the Hunterston Peninsula
- (d) Assistance in bringing employment
- (e) The Council's relationship with Enterprise Ayrshire
- (f) The condition of Sharphill Industrial Estate, Saltcoats

Mr MacDonald responded to the above points as follows:-

- (a) That Scottish Enterprise would not support specific funding for the Three Towns and that bids for funding have to be made under headings and not particular areas.
- (b) That Enterprise Ayrshire did not support CCTV in Irvine as their support for similar schemes in Kilmarnock and Ayr were based on the fact that both these schemes had funding supplied under Urban Renewal Programmes.
- (c) That Enterprise Ayrshire had no plans to develop the Hunterston Peninsula but were of the view that the Hunterston area required to be marketed more forcibly.
- (d) That Enterprise Ayrshire had a new venture centre for employment purposes which it was hoped would meet these needs.
- (e) That Enterprise Ayrshire consider that they provide North Ayrshire Council with sufficient assistance and funding in comparison to the other Ayrshire Councils and that they would meet with the Council on a one to one basis if such a request was received.
- (f) Mr MacDonald undertook to reply to the local member as soon as possible.

Thereafter the Convenor thanked Mr MacDonald on behalf of the Council for his very informative presentation and his assistance in answering the questions put to him by Members.

8. ATS Products Inc.

The Council agreed to make a contribution of £20,000 to ATS Products Inc. being part of the costs of the work required to refurbish 6/7 Kyle Road, Irvine which will shortly be occupied by the Company.

The meeting ended at 7.00 p.m.