

**Bellshill Cultural Centre, John Street, Bellshill, 23 March 2000 at 7 pm.**

A Meeting of the **BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Heberton (Convener); Councillors Coyle, Gorman and McKeown.

**CHAIR**

Councillor Heberton (Convener) presided.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Director of Community Services (Liaison Director); Core Services Officer; Principal Officer (Development), Department of Community Services; Depute Director of Education; Area Housing Manager, and Senior Economic Development Manager.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Chief Inspector Bill McArthur, Strathclyde Police, W. Foy, J. Gilmour, T. Leggatte, S. Toyer and M. Walker, Bellshill and District Community Forum representatives.

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors Lyle and McCabe and C. Kennedy and I. Wotherspoon, Bellshill and District Community Forum representatives.

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

1. There was submitted the terms of reference for Area Committees.

**Decided:** that the terms of reference be noted.

**TIMETABLE AND VENUE OF MEETINGS - 2000**

2. With reference to paragraph 3 of the Minute of the meeting of the Bellshill Area Committee held on 7 May 1998, there was submitted a report dated 17 March 2000 by the Director of Administration (1) proposing a Schedule of Meetings for the year 2000, and (2) suggesting that the Bellshill Cultural Centre, John Street, Bellshill be the venue for meetings of the Bellshill and District Area Committee for a period of one year.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the following Schedule of Meetings for the year 2000 be approved:-

Thursday, 11 May 2000	7 pm
Thursday, 22 June 2000	7 pm
Thursday, 7 September 2000	7 pm
Thursday, 26 October 2000	7 pm
Thursday, 7 December 2000	7 pm, and

- (2) that the Bellshill Cultural Centre be the agreed venue for meetings and that this matter be reviewed after one year of operation.

**COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

3. There were submitted Minutes of the meetings of the undernoted Community Councils held on the dates specified:-

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| (a) | Bellshill Community Council  | 19 January 2000  |
| (b) | Holytown Community Council   | 20 December 1999 |
| (c) | Mossend Community Council    | 10 March 1999    |
| (d) | Newarthill Community Council | 19 January 2000  |

**Decided:** that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

**REMIT FROM EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF 14 MARCH 2000 - BECEL - INTERACTIVE LEARNING CENTRE**

4. With reference to paragraph 18 of the Minute of the meeting of the Education Committee held on 14 March 2000 when that Committee, having considered a report dated 8 February 2000 by the Director of Education advising of the success of a bid to the Scottish Executive for funding for the establishment of an Interactive Learning Centre in Bellshill Academy, had agreed (1) that the success of the bid to the Scottish Executive for funding for the establishment of an Interactive Learning Centre in Bellshill Academy be noted, and (2) that the report be referred to this Committee for its interest, the Committee considered the report.

The Committee then heard the Depute Director of Education in further explanation of the report.

**Decided:** that the contents of the report be noted.

**TOWN TWINNING**

5. With reference to paragraph 3 of the Minute of the meeting of the Bellshill and District Area Committee held on 3 December 1998, there was submitted a report dated 17 March 2000 by the Director of Administration outlining the current position with regard to Town Twinning, in particular (1) advising that the Official Twinning Link for the Bellshill and District Area Committee is Schweinfurt, Germany, and (2) indicating that where practical, the advice of the Area Committee will be sought to assist the General Purposes Committee in their consideration of twinning matters.

**Decided:** that the position be noted.

**BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM**

6. With reference to paragraph 8 of the Minute of the meeting of the Bellshill Area Committee held on 10 September 1998, there was submitted a report dated 28 February 2000 by the Liaison Director (1) outlining the background and structure of the Bellshill and District Community Forum; (2) detailing the

positive working links previously established between the Area Committee and the Community Forum, and (3) proposing that the relationship with this Area Committee and the Community Form be re-established.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the working links between the Area Committee and the Community Forum be re-established;
- (2) that the Members of the Bellshill and District Community Forum receive future meeting papers for this Committee;
- (3) that the Liaison Director submit a progress report to the next meeting of the Area Committee, and
- (4) that the contents of the report be otherwise noted.

**COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME 1999/2000 - CONSIDER APPLICATIONS**

7. There was submitted a report dated 10 March 2000 and a schedule of applications (tabled) by the Director of Community Services detailing applications for Community Grants continued from previous meetings together with new applications.

Having heard the Liaison Director in answer to members questions, it was proposed that the schedule of applications be continued to the Special meeting of the Community Services (Community Development) Sub-Committee on 30 March 2000.

**Decided:** that consideration of the schedule of applications be continued to the Special meeting of the Community Services (Community Development) Sub-Committee on 30 March 2000.