

Auchinloch Community Centre, Auchinloch, 16 December 1997 at 2 pm.

A Meeting of the NORTHERN CORRIDOR AREA COMMITTEE

PRESENT

Councillor Wallace, Convener; Councillors Gray and Hogg.

CHAIR

Councillor Wallace (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Chief Committee Services Officer; Director of Leisure Services (Liaison Director); The Community Development Manager, Chief Executive's Department; Education Officer; The Income Manager, Department of Finance and the Area Services Manager, Social Work Department.

APOLOGY

Councillor Shaw.

FUNDING COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

1. There was submitted a report dated 2 December 1997 by the Chief Executive advising of the resources available for the establishment of Community Forums and related activities in the current financial year as determined by the Policy and Resources Community Development Sub-Committee at its meeting on 26 November 1997, it having been noted that the budget allocation for the Northern Corridor Area was £1,500.

Decided: that the report be noted.

AREA PROFILES THE WAY FORWARD

2. There was submitted a report dated 1 December 1997 by the Chief Executive providing guidance to Area Committees on the aims, objectives and content of area profiles, arrangements for co-ordinating statistical and service based information and the timescale involved as considered and agreed by the Policy and Resources (Community Development) Sub-Committee meeting on 26 November 1997.

Decided:

- (1) that the aims, objectives, arrangements and timescale of June 1998 for production of area profiles be noted;
- (2) that the agreed indicative contents of area profiles, as set out in the Annex to the report, be noted;

- (3) that the Liaison Director organise the gathering of information for the profile with the Area Team, and
- (4) that the report be otherwise noted.

ESTABLISHMENT OF AREA TEAM

- 3. There was submitted a report dated 9 December 1997 by the Liaison Director advising of the Area Team Officials representing each of the Council's Departments for the Northern Corridor Area Committee.

Decided: that the report be noted.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS TO END OF FINANCIAL YEAR 1998/99

- 4. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 4 November 1997 consideration was given to the schedule of meetings to the end of the financial year 1998/99.

Decided: that consideration of the schedule of meetings to the end of the financial year 1998/99 be continued.

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME - CONSIDERATION OF PRIORITIES FOR TOP SLICED ELEMENT

- 5. There was submitted a report dated 9 December 1997 by the Chief Executive advising (1) of the allocation of the top sliced element of the budget; (2) of the short timescale in which to allocate funds before the end of March 1998, and (3) of the likely number of community groups available within the area to submit applications.

Decided:

- (1) that the top sliced element of £4,200 be allocated to community projects;
- (2) that letters be sent to the Community Councils in the area advising of the allocation and inviting applications;
- (3) that a press release be issued to local newspapers, and
- (4) that the contents of the report be otherwise noted.

REMIT FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF 9 DECEMBER 1997 - REVIEW OF INTERIM COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

- 6. With reference to paragraph 19 of the Minute of the meeting of the Policy and Resources (Community Development) Sub-Committee held on 26 November 1997 there was submitted a report dated 19 November 1997 by the Chief Executive in relation to a review of the existing
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Interim Community Grants Scheme in consultation with Area Committees recommending future amendments designed to improve the efficiency of the Scheme and its benefits to community and voluntary organisations.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee support the adoption of the principles of the Accounts Commission/COSLA Code of Guidance as set out in the report;
- (2) that the Committee support a comprehensive review of the Interim Community Grants Scheme recommending that applications for Community Grants should be innovative and non-repetitive, and
- (3) that the contents of the report be otherwise noted.

INTERIM COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

7. There was submitted a report dated 8 December 1997 and applications tabled by the Chief Executive for Community Grants.

Decided: that the applications for Community Grants submitted to the Committee be dealt with as follows subject to the submission of any outstanding information:-

CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

Group: Gartcosh Women's Rural Institute - CG97/98-370

Purpose of Application: To assist with costs of hall lets and courses.

Total Cost: Not Known

Grant Requested: £1,000

Decision: Grant £130

Group: North Lanarkshire Carer Support Group, Mount Ellen - CG97/98-535

Purpose of Application: To assist with the costs of Christmas Party and Pantomime Trip

Total Cost: Not Known

Grant Requested: £615

Decision: Grant £520

NEW APPLICATIONS

Group: Steps and District Friendship Club - CG97/98-483
Purpose of Application: To assist with costs for bus outings, entertainment and parties
Total Cost: Not Known
Grant Requested: £200
Decision: Grant £150

Group: Moodiesburn Youth Exchange Group - CG97/98-633
Purpose of Application: To assist with costs for international youth exchange to USA
Total Cost: Not Known
Grant Requested: £1,000
Decision: Grant £515

Group: St Michael's Youth Club - CG97/98-634
Purpose of Application: To assist with costs for let for fund raising event
Total Cost: Not Known
Grant Requested: £129.50
Decision: Grant £129.50

Group: Moodiesburn Mother and Toddlers - CG97/98-640
Purpose of Application: To assist with the costs for purchase of Christmas presents and Easter outing
Total Cost: Not Known
Grant Requested: £500
Decision: Grant £200

PUBLIC LIBRARIES CHALLENGE FUND

8. There was submitted a report dated 17 November 1997 by the Liaison Director providing details of the Public Libraries Challenge Fund and outlining the proposed North Lanarkshire Council submission.

Decided: that the action by the Director of Leisure Services in submitting an intention to bid as detailed in the report be noted.

REMIT FROM NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL OF 6 NOVEMBER 1997 - DISCRETIONARY RELIEF OF RATES FOR LICENSED CLUBS

9. With reference to paragraph 13 of the Minute of the meeting of the Council held on 6 November 1997, there was submitted a report dated 21 October 1997 by the Director of Finance in relation to discretionary relief of rates for licensed clubs outlining the formula applied relative to bar turnover, rateable value and detailing a revised formula calculation turnover in the same manner with new bandings to update the current scheme of turnover and percentages introduced.

Decided: that it be recommended

- (1) that the revised formula be introduced for the calculation of relief, and
- (2) that the scheme be widened to include the British Legion Clubs subject to clarification of their legal status, and
- (3) that relief be available only to those clubs up to date with payment of Council tax/rates.

REMIT FROM SOCIAL WORK (PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION) SUB-COMMITTEE OF 12 NOVEMBER 1997 - SEXUAL HEALTH STRATEGY: CONSULTATION PAPER FROM GREATER GLASGOW HEALTH BOARD

10. With reference to paragraph 4 of the Minute of the meeting of the Social Work (Planning and Administration) Sub-Committee of 11 November 1997 there was submitted a report dated 12 November 1997 by the Director of Social Work advising of the publication of a consultative document on sexual health education for the Greater Glasgow Health Board area and seeking endorsement for the strategy for improving sexual health in the Greater Glasgow Area.

Decided:

- (1) that the endorsement of the strategy by the Northern Corridor Area Committee be communicated to the Greater Glasgow Health Board, and
- (2) that the report be otherwise noted.

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE PLANS - SUMMARY DOCUMENT

11. With reference to paragraph 13 of the Minute of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 9 December 1997 when the Committee had agreed, *inter alia*, that consideration of the report by the Chief Executive and the Executive Summaries of the Service Plans be remitted to the Area Committees for their interest, there were submitted the report by the Chief Executive and the Executive Summaries of Departmental Service Plans.

Decided: that the terms of the report and the Executive Summaries be noted.

DRAFT NORTH LANARKSHIRE JOINT COMMUNITY CARE PLAN 1997 - 2000

12. With reference to paragraph 8 of the Minute of the meeting of the Social Work Committee held on 19 August 1997, the Area Committee heard the Area Services Manager (1) outline the content of the draft North Lanarkshire Joint Community Care Plan 1997-2000 which had been prepared under joint planning arrangements among the Council, Lanarkshire Health Board, Scottish Homes and Greater Glasgow Health Board; (2) itemise key approaches central to the implementation of the draft joint Community Care Plan; (3) list the aims of Community Care; (4) detail funding provided by North Lanarkshire Council, Lanarkshire Health Board and Greater Glasgow Health Board; (5) intimate priority groups; (6) indicate the role of housing in Community Care, and (7) give details of the consultation process for the draft North Lanarkshire Joint Community Care Plan.

Decided:

- (1) that the contents of the presentation be noted, and
- (2) that the Director of Social Work ascertain whether the Northern Corridor, which represents 2% of the Greater Glasgow Health Board area, receives a pro rata level of expenditure.