

Bron Way, Cumbernauld, 5 May 1998 at 6 pm.

A Meeting of the CUMBERNAULD AREA COMMITTEE

PRESENT

Councillor Chadha, Convener; Councillor Macleod, Vice-Convener; Councillors Beekman, Carmichael, Gilchrist, Grant, McCulloch, McKenna, G. Murray and S.V. Murray.

CHAIR

Councillor Macleod (Vice-Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Committee Services Officer; Director of Planning and Development (Liaison Director); Local Officer, Chief Executive's Department, and Area Housing Manager, Kilsyth Area Housing Office.

APOLOGY

Councillor McElroy

DEATH OF COUNCILLOR CRAIG COMBE

1. Before commencing the business of the meeting, Councillor Macleod, Vice-Convener referred to the death of Councillor Craig Combe on Wednesday, 8 April 1998, and intimated that it would be appropriate to record not only the Area Committee's condolences to Councillor Combe's family but also the Members' appreciation of the work carried out by Councillor Combe as a Member of the Cumbernauld Area Committee.

The Area Committee then observed a minute's silence as a mark of respect.

MINUTE OF MEETING OF CUMBERNAULD AREA COMMITTEE OF 20 MARCH 1998

2. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Cumbernauld Area Committee held on 20 March 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

AREA COMMITTEES - SUBMISSION OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

3. Under reference to paragraph 11 of the Policy and Resources (Community Development) Sub-Committee held on 4 March 1998, there was submitted a report dated 26 February 1998 by the Director of Administration (1) advising of proposed liaison arrangements to improve channels of communication between the Area Committees and Community Councils, and (2) recommending (a) that the Minutes of the Community Councils be submitted to the appropriate Area Committee for its information, and (b) that by way of a reciprocal arrangement the Minutes of the Area Committees be submitted to the appropriate Community Councils. It was noted that the Council had subsequently agreed to adopt this practice.

Decided: that it be noted that the Council had agreed to adopt a practice whereby appropriate Community Council Minutes be submitted to Area Committees and that a reciprocal arrangement had also been adopted.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

4. Under reference to paragraph 3 above, there were submitted Minutes of meetings of the following Community Councils, viz:-
- (a) Balloch/Eastfield Community Council - 4 March 1998
 - (b) Balloch/Eastfield Community Council - 1 April 1998
 - (c) Blackwood/Craiglinn Community Council - 4 March 1998
 - (d) Blackwood/Craiglinn Community Council - 1 April 1998
 - (e) Kildrum Community Council - 25 March 1998
 - (f) Seafar and Ravenswood Community Council - 17 March 1998
 - (g) Westfield Community Council - 11 March 1998

Decided: that the Minutes be noted.

ESTABLISHMENT OF AREA TEAM

5. There was submitted a report dated 3 April 1998 by the Liaison Director advising Members of the establishment and membership of the Cumbernauld Area Committee Officers' Team which had been established to provide support for the work of the Area Committee.

Decided: that the establishment and membership of the Cumbernauld Area Committee Officers' Team be noted.

CONSULTATION ON ESTABLISHING COMMUNITY FORUMS - CUMBERNAULD AREA

6. Under reference to paragraph 2 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 20 March 1998, the Liaison Director orally (1) advised that following the Community Forum public consultation meeting held on 27 January 1998, he had written to 250 local groups/organisations requesting responses to seven points raised at that meeting; (2) summarised the 41 replies which showed an overall preference for the establishment of a single Forum with one representative per organisation, an Annual Conference; weekday evening meetings four times per year, and agendas to include local key issues of general interest eg. (a) litter and cleansing; (b) facilities for the youth and old age pensioners; (c) accommodation and cost of lets; (d) transportation, and (3) indicated how he proposed to progress the matter by the production of newsletters, holding of public meetings etc.

Decided:

- (1) that the first meeting of the Community Forum be held on a date to be arranged by the Liaison Director during the next Committee cycle;
- (2) that meetings of the Forum be held on weekday evenings four times per year;
- (3) that each organisation be invited to nominate one representative to attend meetings of the Community Forum;
- (4) that a Community Conference be organised annually by the Liaison Director;
- (5) that agendas for the Forum be varied and include the various key issues identified in the recent survey;
- (6) that to ensure that all local groups and organisations are contacted regarding the Forum, elected Members advise the Liaison Director if they are aware of any organisations within their Ward which had changed their Secretary or contact address, and
- (7) that the report be otherwise noted.

WORKING GROUP ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL EVENTS - CURRENT POSITION

7. Under reference to paragraph 3 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 20 March 1998, the Area Committee were advised (1) of progress, to date, with regard to the development of local events in respect of the Millennium celebrations; (2) that representatives from the Working Group had met with D. Watt of the New Millennium Experience Company (NMEC) who explained which type of Millennium related projects would qualify for a grant from his Company, and (3) that applications for such projects would be considered from 1 May 1998, with funds of £10.2 million available to Scotland.

The Committee Services Officer then advised that, following consultation with the Convener, the inaugural meeting of the Working Group was to be held on Monday 11 May 1998 at 3 pm.

Decided:

- (1) that it be noted that the inaugural meeting of the Working Group was to be held on Monday, 11 May 1998 at 3 pm;
- (2) that consideration be given to proposals which would attract millennium funding and to projects targeted to assist people with disabilities such as the re-establishment of an Access Forum, and
- (3) that the position be otherwise noted.

INTERIM COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME

8. Under reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 20 March 1998, there was submitted a report dated 25 April 1998 by the Chief Executive together with an Appendix (tabled) detailing applications for Community Grant continued from that meeting and referred from the Policy and Resources (Community Development) Sub-Committee held on 22 April 1998 together with new applications. With regard to the application CUM/98/99 - 68 received from Cumbernauld Theatre Trust, the Local Officer, Chief Executive's Department advised the Committee that no decision had, to date, been reached as to the availability of a top sliced element to the Community Grant Scheme.

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Decided: that the applications for Community Grant be dealt with as follows, subject to receipt of any further information, viz:-

CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

Group: **New Dawn Lunch Club, Cumbernauld - CUM/97/98/268**

Purpose of Application: To assist with running costs of the Lunch Club.

Grant Requested: £1,500

Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

Group: **Greenfaulds Theatre Committee - CUM/97/98/825**

Purpose of Application: To assist with replacing and electrification of curtain controls.

Grant Requested: £1,500

Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

Group: **CDC Amateur Football Club - CUM97/98/828**

Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of equipment and hall and pitch hire (cheque previously issued for £432).

Grant Requested: £900

Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

Group: **Cumbernauld Art Club - CUM/97/98/829**

Purpose of Application: To assist with the purchase of equipment and the cost of a summer activities programme.

Grant Requested: £1,003

Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

Group: **Our Lady's and St. Helen's St. Vincent De Paul - CUM/97/98/830**

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of summer activities programme (cheque previously issued for £400).

Grant Requested: £600

Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

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Group:	Balloch/Eastfield Senior Citizens' Club - CUM/97/98/833a
Purpose of Application:	To assist with purchase of personal alarms for Eastfield and Craigmarnloch senior citizens.
Grant Requested:	£1,250
Decision:	That no grant be awarded.
Group:	Our Lady's High School PTA - CUM/97/98/872
Purpose of Application:	To assist with purchase of equipment (cheque previously issued for £380).
Grant Requested:	£1,000
Decision:	That consideration of the application be further continued.
Group:	Cumbernauld Collective - CUM/97/98/874
Purpose of Application:	To assist with cost of setting up a community radio station
Grant Requested:	£1,500
Decision:	That consideration of the application be further continued.
Group:	Carbrain Welfare Association for Senior Citizens - CUM/97/98/877
Purpose of Application:	To assist with purchase of personal alarms (cheque previously issued for £100).
Grant Requested:	£1,500
Decision:	That consideration of the application be further continued.
Group:	Melrose 4s Club - CUM/97/98/898
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the purchase of equipment.
Grant Requested:	£500
Decision:	That consideration of the application be further continued.
Group:	Seafar and Ravenswood Community Council - CUM/97/98/912
Purpose of Application:	To assist with purchase of personal alarms for elderly women (cheque previously issued for £50).
Grant Requested:	£150
Decision:	That no grant be awarded.

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Group: The Village Playgroup - CUM/97/98/931
Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of arts and crafts materials and equipment (cheque previously issued for £300).
Grant Requested: £500
Decision: That a grant of £200 be awarded.

Group: Cumbernauld Baptist Church Children's Scarecrow Club - CUM/97/98/938
Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of equipment (cheque previously issued for £138).
Grant Requested: £250
Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

Group: Link Senior Citizens' Club - CUM/97/98/940
Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of summer outing and Christmas activities programme (cheque previously issued for £205).
Grant Requested: £400
Decision: That a grant of £55 be awarded and consideration of the application be otherwise continued.

Group: Dullatur Community Council - CUM/97/98/946
Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of lawnmower and strimmer to maintain village landscaped area (cheque previously issued for £299).
Grant Requested: £378
Decision: That a grant of £79 be awarded.

Group: Dullatur Toddler Group - CUM/97/98/947
Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of arts and crafts materials and books (cheque previously issued for £200).
Grant Requested: £300
Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

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Group: Langlands Out of School Care - CUM/97/98/948

Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of equipment.

Grant Requested: £1,000

Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

Group: Westfield Out of School Care - CUM/97/98/949

Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of equipment (cheque previously issued for £100).

Grant Requested: £1,000

Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

Group: Muirfield Out of School Care - CUM/97/98/950

Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of equipment (cheque previously issued for £170).

Grant Requested: £1,000

Decision: That a grant of £250 be awarded and consideration of the application be otherwise continued.

Group: Eastfield Out of School Care - CUM/97/98/951

Purpose of Application: To assist with the purchase of equipment (cheque previously issued for £600).

Grant Requested: £1,000

Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

Group: Cumbernauld and Kilsyth Women's Aid (Properties) Limited - CUM97/98/975

Purpose of Application: To assist with refurbishment of refuge.

Grant Requested: £1,500

Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

Group: Carbrain Green Team - CUM/97/98/977

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of environmental projects in Carbrain area (cheque previously issued for £300).

Grant Requested: £500

Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

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Group: Seafar Senior Citizen's Club - CUM97/98/998

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of group's activities programme for Summer and Christmas.

Grant Requested: £750

Decision: That consideration of the application be further continued.

Group: Cumbernauld Heart Boys' Club - CUM97/98/999

Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of football equipment (cheque previously issued for £325).

Grant Requested: £1,000

Decision: That a grant of £375 be awarded and consideration of the application be otherwise continued.

Group: Condorrat Woodcraft Folk - CUM97/98/1000

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of information and training day (cheque previously issued for £200).

Grant Requested: £400

Decision: That a grant of £150 be awarded and consideration of the application be otherwise continued.

APPLICATIONS REMITTED FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT) SUB-COMMITTEE

Group: Cumbernauld Choir - CUM97/98/1041

Purpose of Application: To assist with hire of orchestra and transport costs (cheque previously issued for £40).

Grant Requested: £300

Decision: That a grant of £25 be awarded and consideration of the application be otherwise continued.

Group: Cumbernauld and Kilsyth District Juvenile League - CUM98/99/001

Purpose of Application: To assist with costs of tournaments (cheque previously issued for £51).

Grant Requested: £425

Decision: That a grant of £310 be awarded and consideration of the application be otherwise continued.

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Group: Volunteer Entertainers' Group (Lanarkshire) - CUM98/99/007

Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of musical instrument and insurance (cheque previously issued for £61).

Grant Requested: £1,500

Decision: That consideration of the application be continued.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Group: Abronhill CE Centre Indoor Carpet Bowling Club - CUM98/99/20

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of outing.

Grant Requested: £200

Decision: That a grant of £200 be awarded.

Group: Our Lady's and St. Helen's Special Needs Club - CUM98/99/21

Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of equipment for activities programme.

Grant Requested: £700

Decision: That a grant of £366 be awarded and consideration of the application be otherwise continued.

Group: Greenfaulds Senior Citizens' Club - CUM98/99/22

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of summer activities programme.

Grant Requested: £200

Decision: That consideration of the application be continued.

Group: Condorrat Boys' Club - CUM/98/99/23

Purpose of Application: To assist with general running costs.

Grant Requested: £1,500

Decision: That a grant of £500 be awarded.

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Group: Cumbernauld SOAPA - CUM98/99/24
Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of annual outing.
Grant Requested: £250
Decision: That a grant of £210 be awarded and consideration of the application be otherwise continued.

Group: Balloch/Eastfield Mothers and Toddlers - CUM98/99/65
Purpose of Application: To assist with the purchase of tables.
Grant Requested: £500
Decision: That consideration of the application be continued.

LATE APPLICATION

Group: Cumbernauld Theatre Trust - CUM98/99/68
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of summer workshops and summer events.
Grant Requested: £1,000
Decision: That, subject to the top sliced element of the Community Grant Scheme being available, a grant of £1,000 be awarded from the top sliced element.

CUMBERNAULD HOUSING PARTNERSHIP - DECISION ON BID FOR INITIATIVE FUNDING

9. The Area Committee were advised of the current position with regard to the Cumbernauld Housing Partnership's bid for Initiative Funding, the success of which had been announced by the Scottish Office whereby grants totalling £574,000 will be paid over the next three years, initially to Scottish Homes pending the development of a newly constituted organisation.

Decided: that the success of the Cumbernauld Housing Partnership in securing Initiative Funding be noted.