

Airdrie, 5 May 1998 at 7 pm.

A Meeting of the AIRDRIE AREA COMMITTEE

PRESENT

Councillor E. Burns, Convener; Councillor Lucas, Vice-Convener; Councillors Logue, J. McGuigan, Russell, Stocks and Sullivan.

CHAIR

Councillor E. Burns (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Director of Environmental Services (Liaison Director); Administrative Officer, Department of Administration; Local Officer, Department of the Chief Executive, District Manager (Central), Department of Housing and Divisional Manager, Department of Planning and Development.

ALSO ATTENDING

D. McLaren, Chief Inspector, Strathclyde Police and D. McLennan, Town Centre Manager.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Cox and Curley.

AIRDRIE TOWN CENTRE AND THE TOWN CENTRE INITIATIVE

1. There was submitted a joint report dated 23 April 1998 by the Town Centre Initiatives Limited and the Director of Planning and Development regarding Airdrie Town Centre and the Town Centre Initiative (1) advising that Town Centre Initiatives Limited had been formed 2 years ago, and detailing their extent and role individually and by securing partnerships with interested parties; (2) highlighting the priority given to town centres in the Corporate Plan of North Lanarkshire Council; (3) suggesting that a Town Centre Action Plan for Airdrie be prepared to allow the adoption of a pro-active approach to the development and management of the town centres, and (4) highlighting current town centre developments including a shoppers guide, a vacant property register, progress on updating the Monklands District Local Plan 1991 and consideration of a traffic plan for Airdrie Town Centre.

The Town Centre Manager gave a presentation to the Committee on the development of Airdrie Town Centre and the Town Centre Initiative, highlighting areas of concern and suggesting possible considerations to resolve the problems faced.

Decided:

- (1) that the Town Centre Manager submit a report to the next meeting of the Committee on ownership of developments within Airdrie Town Centre including vacancy rates, and
- (2) that the Town Centre Manager submit the Shoppers Guide in its final format to the next meeting of the Committee.

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AIRDRIE AREA COMMITTEE - MINUTE

2. There was submitted Minute of the meeting of the Airdrie Area Committee held on 17 March 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

FORMER PREMISES OF SAFEWAY AT GRAHAM STREET, AIRDRIE

3. Arising out of the discussions in the immediately preceding item, the Area Committee raised the issue of the options available regarding the former Safeway Store in Airdrie.

Decided: that the Director of Planning and Development submit a report to the next meeting of the Committee on the cost of relinquishing the lease and the options available for the future use of the premises.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

4. There were submitted Minutes of the meetings of (1) Chapelhall Community Council held on 4 and 25 March 1998; (2) Clarkston Community Council held on 16 March 1998; (3) Greengairs Community Council held on 19 March 1998; (4) Plains Community Council held on 10 March 1998, and (5) Salsburgh Community Council held on 12 March and 9 April 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

COMMUNITY FORUM

5. With reference to paragraph 4 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 17 March 1998 when it was agreed inter alia that a public meeting on the establishment of a community forum within the Airdrie area be convened, the Committee heard the Liaison Director thereon.

Decided: that the Liaison Director be authorised to make arrangements to convene and undertake a further public meeting during the first week in June 1998 on the establishment of a community forum within the Airdrie area.

HOUSING POLICIES

6. With reference to paragraph 8 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 17 March 1998 when it was agreed that a report be submitted on the harmonisation of housing policies, there was submitted a report dated 1 May 1998 by the Director of Housing (1) advising of the policy matters that had been considered and implemented to date; (2) indicating that the standard allocation policy and housing rent structure policy were being progressed, and (3) intimating that the remaining policy and procedures as adopted by the former authorities would continue.

Decided: that consideration of the report be continued.

INTERIM COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME - CONSIDER APPLICATIONS

7. With reference to paragraph 6 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 17 March 1998, there was submitted a report dated 28 April 1998 by the Chief Executive detailing applications for community grants continued from that meeting, together with new applications.

The Local Officer advised the Committee that the Policy and Resources (Community Development) Sub-Committee was undertaking a review of the Interim Community Grants Scheme.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

8. At this stage of the meeting the Committee adjourned in order to obtain further information.

INTERIM COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME - CONSIDER APPLICATIONS

9. The Committee re-convened and resumed consideration of the report by the Chief Executive.

Decided: that, subject receipt of any outstanding information, the applications for community grants be dealt with as follows:-

CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

Group: **Cumbernauld and Kilsyth District Juvenile League - CG98/99-001**

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of tournaments.

Grant Requested: £425 (cheque previously issued for £51)

Decision: Grant £25

Group: **Parkinsons Self Help Group - CG98/99-003**

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of outing.

Grant Requested: £300 (cheque previously issued for £20)

Decision: Grant £185

Group: **Middle Church Coatbridge Senior Citizens' Club - CG98/99-004**

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of outing.

Grant Requested: £230

Decision: No grant

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Group: Caldercruix Community Food Co-op - CG97/98-395

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of a fridge/freezer.

Grant Requested: £400

Decision: Grant £200

Group: Northburn Tenants and Residents Association - CG97/98-431

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of administration to establish safe play area and purchase equipment for the youth club.

Grant Requested: £1,333.14

Decision: No grant

Group: Caldercruix Nature and Countryside Park - CG97/98-680

Purpose of Application: To assist with running costs and purchase of office equipment.

Grant Requested: £400 (cheque previously issued for £200)

Decision: Grant £200

Group: Caldercruix Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch Club - CG97/98-750

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of organising Christmas lunch initiative.

Grant Requested: £400 (cheque previously issued for £200)

Decision: No grant

Group: Caldercruix OAP Carpet Bowlers - CG97/98-805

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of a presentation dance and trophies

Grant Requested: £200

Decision: Grant £100

Group: The Baillies Lane Over 60s Old Tyme and Recreational Club - CG97/98-807

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of summer bus outing and meal.

Grant Requested: £565

Decision: Grant £350

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Group:	Petersburn After School Care Limited - CG97/98-809
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of replacing art equipment, paper, paint and to provide baking/arts and crafts activities.
Grant Requested:	£1,500 (cheque previously issued for £250)
Decision:	Grant £250
Group:	Dunrobin Gardens Social Club - CG97/98-810
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of bus trips and to hire coach with tail lift for disabled members.
Grant Requested:	£200
Decision:	Grant £200
Group:	Rawyards Football Club - CG97/98-837
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of administration/expenses.
Grant Requested:	£550 (cheque previously issued for £300)
Decision:	Grant £50
Group:	Rochsolloch Community Club - CG97/98-841
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of hall lets, outings, social evenings and start-up costs (bingo machine, cups, urn).
Grant Requested:	£500 (cheque previously issued for £250)
Decision:	Grant £250
Group:	Dellets Angling Club - CG97/98-842
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of hiring a minibus for outing.
Grant Requested:	£450 (cheque previously issued for £150)
Decision:	Grant £125
Group:	Cairnhill Senior Citizens' Group - CG97/98-849
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of summer outing.
Grant Requested:	£300 (cheque previously issued for £150)
Decision:	Grant £150

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Group: Glenmavis Rising 5s - CG97/98-864
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of upgrading equipment.
Grant Requested: £877.75 (cheque previously issued for £350)
Decision: Grant £300

Group: John Smith Court Sheltered Complex - CG97/98-952
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of summer outing.
Grant Requested: £180
Decision: Grant £180

Group: Plains Bowling Club - CG97/98-953
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of stationery, open day event and board games.
Grant Requested: £250
Decision: Grant £200

Group: Inglefield Court Social Club - CG97/98-954
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of summer outing.
Grant Requested: £150
Decision: Grant £150

Group: Alexandra Primary School Board - CG97/98-955
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of sports and leisure activity awards.
Grant Requested: £300
Decision: Grant £300

Group: Four Isles 60 + Carpet Bowling - CG97/98-960
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of trophies and entertainment at league games and transport for away games.
Grant Requested: £300 (cheque previously issued for £150)
Decision: Grant £125

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Group: Broomknoll Church Senior Citizens - CG97/98-962
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of summer outing.
Grant Requested: £500 (cheque previously issued for £38)
Decision: Grant £225

Group: Sandra McKay Pre-Five Centre - CG97/98-965
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of sofa beds, floor cushions, 2-way mirror, cooking unit and double sink.
Grant Requested: £547.14
Decision: Grant £150

Group: Lairds Hall Residents' Association - CG97/98-988
Purpose of Application: To assist with start-up costs.
Grant Requested: £641
Decision: Grant £641

Group: St Andrews Junior and Senior Youth Club - CG97/98-991
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of outing.
Grant Requested: £400 (cheque previously issued for £100)
Decision: £200

NEW APPLICATIONS

Group: New Monkland PTA - CG97/98-808
Purpose of Application: To assist in organising gymnastics event in local sports centre.
Grant Requested: £500
Decision: Grant £200

Group: Four Isles Management Committee - CG98/99-37
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of summer outing.
Grant Requested: £400
Decision: Grant £300

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Group: Chapelhall Senior Citizens - CG98/99-38

Purpose of Application: To assist with the purchase of bowling equipment.

Grant Requested: £300

Decision: Grant £300

Group: Plains Youth Unemployed Cycling Club - CG98/99-39

Purpose of Application: To assist with the purchase of repair kits, tyre tubes and any other accessories.

Grant Requested: £250

Decision: Continue

Group: Caldercruix Amateur Football Club - CG98/99-40

Purpose of Application: To assist with the purchase of football equipment.

Grant Requested: £700

Decision: Grant £400

Group: Jackson Senior Citizens' Club - CG98/99-41

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of summer outing.

Grant Requested: £350

Decision: Grant £300

Group: Flowerhill Senior Citizens Club - CG98/99-42

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of outing.

Grant Requested: £400

Decision: Grant £170

Group: 14th Airdrie Cub Scouts - CG98/99-43

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of transport and insurance for camping trip.

Grant Requested: £300

Decision: Grant £200

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Group:	Four Isles Senior Citizens' Club - CG98/99-44
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of outing.
Grant Requested:	£150
Decision:	Grant £125
Group:	St Andrews Senior Citizens' Bowling Club - CG98/99-45
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of bowling carpet.
Grant Requested:	£629.99
Decision:	Continue
Group:	Gartlea Over 60s Bowling Club - CG98/99-46
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of bus outing and dinner.
Grant Requested:	£400
Decision:	Grant £250
Group:	Chapelside Carpet Bowls - CG98/99-47
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of carpet and accessories and end of session lunch.
Grant Requested:	£550
Decision:	Grant £250
Group:	Airdrie Central Bowling Club - CG98/99-61
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of installation of double sink, wash hand basin for clubhouse, replacing flooring and purchase chill cabinet.
Grant Requested:	£1,000
Decision:	Grant £300
Group:	St Andrews Gardens Pensioners Club - CG98/99-83
Purpose of Application:	To assist with cost for bus outing
Grant Requested:	£421
Decision:	Grant £200

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Group:	Clarkston Community Council - CG98/99-84
Purpose of Application:	To assist with costs for gala day
Grant Requested:	£500
Decision:	Grant £500

The Convener authorised consideration of the following item as a matter of urgency in order to ensure timeous consideration.

AIRDRIE AREA COMMITTEE - NEXT MEETING

10. The Convener advised the Committee that the next meeting of the Committee was due to take place on Tuesday 16 June 1998 but that 7 pm. was considered inappropriate in this instance.

Decided: that the next meeting of the Committee be held on Tuesday 16 June 1998 at 10 am.