

Shotts, 15 December 1998 at 2 pm.

A Meeting of the **SHOTTS AND HARTHILL AREA COMMITTEE**

PRESENT

Councillor Gormill, Convener; Councillor Robertson, Vice-Convener and Councillor Cefferty.

CHAIR

Councillor Gormill (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Head of Central Services (for Liaison Director) and Administrative Officer, Department of Administration; Senior Officer, Urban Programme, Chief Executive's Department and Senior Planning Officer, Planning and Development Department.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr Rudman, Central Scotland Countryside Trust.

PRESENTATION ON CENTRAL SCOTLAND COUNTRYSIDE TRUST COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PLAN FINAL DRAFT 1998 - CONNECTING PEOPLE AND THE FOREST

1. With reference to paragraph 4 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 15 September 1998 when, inter alia, it had been agreed that the Director of Planning and Development submit a report on the Forward Programme on the Central Scotland Countryside Trust Community Involvement Plan for the Shotts and Harthill Area to a future meeting of the Committee, there was submitted a report dated 9 December 1998 regarding the Central Scotland Countryside Trust Forward Programme of Work for the Shotts and Harthill area (1) advising that the Central Scotland Countryside Trust had produced a final draft "Community Involvement Plan" which was aimed at connecting people and the Central Scotland Forest, and (2) detailing projects for the Shotts and Harthill area. Thereon, Mr Rudman of the Central Scotland Countryside Trust provided a short presentation on the final draft "Community Involvement Plan" and thereafter responded to Members' questions.

Decided: that the terms of the report and presentation be noted.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

(1) HARTHILL AND EASTFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

2. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of the Harthill and Eastfield Community Council held on 6 May, 17 June, 5 August, 2 September and 7 October 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

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(2) ALLANTON AND HARTWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

3. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of the Allanton and Hartwood Community Council held on 24 September and 29 October 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

(3) SHOTTS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

4. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of the Shotts Community Council held on 21 October and 18 November 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

COMMUNITY FORUM - UPDATE

5. With reference to paragraph 4 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 3 November 1998 when it had been noted that a further meeting would take place on Monday, 9 November 1998 to progress matters associated with the establishment of the Community Forum for the Shotts and Harthill area, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 8 December 1998 by the Liaison Director (1) detailing within Appendix 1 to the report, the individuals who had attended the meeting on 9 November 1998 and a note of the business undertaken; (2) advising that the main area of discussion was the development of a Constitution for the Forum, and (3) indicating that, to progress matters, a Sub-Group had been formed to establish a draft Constitution for consideration at the next Community Forum Meeting.

Decided: that the terms of the report be noted.

INTERIM COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME - CONSIDER APPLICATIONS

6. With reference to paragraph 8 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 3 November 1998, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 7 December 1998 by the Chief Executive detailing new applications received.

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

Group: Harthill and Eastfield Community Council -
SHO/CG98/99-550

Purpose of Application: Provision of Christmas Illuminations.

Grant Requested: £1,500

Decision: Agreed £1,000 from Area Allocation and £500.

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Group:	School Board - Benhar Primary - SHO/CG98/99-551
Purpose of Application:	To assist with food and prizes for the School Christmas Parties.
Grant Requested:	£200
Decision:	Agreed £100.

VENUE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

7. The Area Committee gave consideration to the venue for future meetings.

Decided: that the next two meetings of the Area Committee on 9 February and 23 March 1999 take place in the Harthill Senior Citizens' Hall and the Allanton Community Centre, respectively.