

AGENDA ITEM No.1(a).....
AIRDRIE AREA - 2 February 1999

Community Education Building, Clark Street, Airdrie, 2 February 1999 at 7 pm.

A Meeting of the AIRDRIE AREA COMMITTEE

PRESENT

Councillor Lucas, Convener; Councillors Curley, Devine, Logue, J. McGuigan, Stocks and Sullivan.

CHAIR

Councillor Lucas (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

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

ALSO ATTENDING

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

APOLOGIES

Councillors Cox and Russell.

AIRDRIE AREA COMMITTEE - MINUTE

1. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Airdrie Area Committee held on 8 December 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

AIRDRIE AND VILLAGES COMMUNITY FORUM - MINUTE

2. There was submitted a report dated 26 January 1999 enclosing Minute of the meeting of the Airdrie and Villages Community Forum held on 24 November 1998.

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

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

(1) CAIRNHILL/COATDYKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

3. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of Cairnhill/Coatdyke Community Council held on 7 December 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

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(2) CHAPELHALL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

4. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of Chapelhall Community Council held on 16 December 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

(3) GARTLEA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

5. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of Gartlea Community Council held on 18 March, 15 April, 20 May, 17 June, 21 October and 18 November 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

(4) GREENGAIRS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

6. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of Greengairs Community Council held on 27 August, 15 September, 22 October, 23 November and 17 December 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

(5) PLAINS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

7. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of Plains Community Council held on 1 December 1998.

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

(6) SALSBURGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

8. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of Salsburgh Community Council held on 10 December 1998 and 14 January 1999.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

VENUES FOR MEETINGS

9. With reference to paragraph 10 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 8 December 1998 when it was agreed that the matter of venues for future meetings of this Committee be remitted to Airdrie and Villages Community Forum for consideration and that the Liaison Director report on the views of the Community Forum, the Liaison Director (1) reminded the Committee of its previous decision to utilise central Airdrie as a home base and hold alternate meetings in premises within Airdrie and the surrounding area, and (2) advised the Committee that it was the view of the Airdrie and Villages Community Forum that all meetings of this Committee should be held in the Community Education Centre, Clark Street, Airdrie.

Decided:

- (1) that future meetings of the Area Committee be held in the Community Education Centre, Clark Street, Airdrie, and
- (2) that, if required, meetings of the Area Committee could be held in premises within Airdrie and the surrounding villages.

COMMUNITY FORUM

10. The Liaison Director advised the Committee that the Community Forum had elected Mr. John Maley as Chairman and that at its next meeting the Community Forum intended to elect other office bearers to the Forum. Councillor Lucas welcomed Mr. Maley to the meeting. Mr. Maley advised that the Council's decision to set up Community Forums had been appreciated by the Community.

Decided: that the next meeting of Airdrie and Villages Community Forum to be held in the Community Education Centre, Clark Street, Airdrie on 23 February 1999 at 7.30 pm be noted.

SERVICE PLANS 1999/2000

11. There were submitted reports (docketed) dated 11 and 19 January 1999 by the Chief Executive regarding the completion of Council departments service plans for 1999/2000 (1) advising that the service planning process comprised the annual preparation of plans for Council services and was a key element of the Council's corporate planning process, and (2) setting out a summary of the service plans.

Decided: that the terms of the report be noted.

BROWNSBURN DEVELOPMENT

12. With reference to paragraph 14 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 8 December 1998 when it was agreed that the Director of Planning and Development report on the outcome of the consultation exercise prior to the marketing of the site at Brownsburn, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 2 February 1999 by the Director of Planning and Development thereon (1) advising of the consultation process undertaken to gauge public opinion regarding the appropriate land use for the Brownsburn development; (2) setting out in Appendix 1 to the report a summary of the points made by the community, and (3) detailing two options arising from the public consultation exercise viz:- (a) leaving the site in its current use as open space and a wildlife sanctuary, providing a natural park for community use, or (b) providing a range of leisure facilities centred on a golf course whilst enhancing the countryside linkages with other parts of Airdrie. The Committee were advised that Councillors had been invited to participate in a study tour to Bridgend Community Golf Club, Linlithgow which was being arranged by Monklands Glen Community Council.

Decided:

- (1) that the Director of Planning and Development submit a report to a future meeting of the Planning and Development Committee (a) on the outcome of the consultation exercise, and (b) advising that the Area Committee had endorsed both options contained in the report by the Director of Planning and Development, and
 - (2) that the invitation to attend the visit to Bridgend Community Golf Club, Linlithgow be noted.
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AIRDRIE TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN CONSULTATIVE DRAFT

13. With reference to paragraph 12 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 8 December 1998 when the Airdrie Town Centre Action Plan was noted, there was submitted a report dated 2 February 1999 by the Director of Planning and Development advising of the consultation process undertaken on the Airdrie Town Centre Action Plan (1) indicating the low rate of return for response to the consultation; (2) detailing the outcome of the consultation and the interest attracted in the media to the plan, and (3) intimating that Townscape Proposals, Phase I, should be implemented to ensure the utilisation of the approved expenditure for the plan.

Decided:

- (1) that the poor response to the consultation exercise be noted;
- (2) that the Director of Planning and Development be authorised to place an article in the Airdrie and Coatbridge Advertiser regarding the consultation exercise on the Airdrie and Town Centre Action Plan;
- (3) that the matter be referred to the Airdrie and Villages Community Forum for consideration, and
- (4) that the terms of the report be otherwise noted.

LEISURE PLAN

14. With reference to paragraph 15 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 8 December 1998 when it was agreed that the Director of Leisure Services bring forward a report to this Committee on the outcome of the consultation exercise for the Airdrie area, the Service Development Review Officer advised the Committee (1) that the period of consultation on the Leisure Plan had been extended, and (2) that the Director of Leisure Services would submit a report to the next meeting of the Airdrie and Villages Community Forum requesting comments on the Leisure Plan.

Decided: that the matter be referred to the Airdrie and Villages Community Forum for consideration.

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY STRATEGY

15. With reference to paragraph 21 of the Minute of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 8 December 1998 when, inter alia it was agreed that Area Committees be requested to consider the community safety strategy issues and seek the views of the community forums, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 27 November 1998 by the Chief Executive thereon (1) advising of the development of the Community Safety Strategy for North Lanarkshire and highlighting the commitment to tackle the priority issues of home safety, transport safety, domestic violence, opportunities for young people, alcohol and drug abuse, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; (2) highlighting the importance of the role of the Area Committees and the continuation of the partnership approach to heighten the profile of community safety issues, and (3) intimating that Strathclyde Police and Strathclyde Fire Brigade had expressed an interest in participating in Area Committees and Community Forum structures.

Decided:

- (1) that the development of the North Lanarkshire Community Safety Strategy be noted;
- (2) that the matter be referred to the Airdrie and Villages Community Forum for consideration, and

- (3) that representatives of Strathclyde Police and Strathclyde Fire Brigade be invited to attend the Area Committee meetings.

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME 1998/99 - CONSIDER APPLICATIONS

16. With reference to paragraph 16 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 8 December 1998, there was submitted a report dated 26 January 1999 by the Chief Executive detailing applications for community grants continued from that meeting, together with new applications for community grants.

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

CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

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| Group: | Friday Outreach - CG98/99-439 |
| Purpose of Application: | To assist with the cost of Christmas outing to pantomime, including transport. |
| Grant Requested: | £72 (cheque previously issued for £60) |
| Decision: | Grant £12 |
| Group: | Four Isles Management Committee - CG98/99-440 |
| Purpose of Application: | To assist with the cost of Christmas party. |
| Grant Requested: | £300 (cheque previously issued for £100) |
| Decision: | Continue. |
| Group: | Springfield Senior Citizens' Bowling Club - CG98/99-444 |
| Purpose of Application: | To assist with the cost of Christmas meals and entertainment, and to purchase equipment. |
| Grant Requested: | £450 (cheque previously issued for £100) |
| Decision: | Grant £100. |
| Group: | Four Isles Senior Citizens - CG98/99-446 |
| Purpose of Application: | To assist with the cost of Christmas dinner. |
| Grant Requested: | £150 (cheque previously issued for £100) |
| Decision: | Continue. |

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Group: Arthritis Care Airdrie Branch - CG98/99-447
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of Christmas outing, including meals and entertainment.
Grant Requested: £250 (cheque previously issued for £90)
Decision: Grant £105.

Group: Gartlea Gardens Social Committee - CG98/99-450
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of Christmas outing and meals.
Grant Requested: £568 (cheque previously issued for £400)
Decision: Grant £168.

Group: Jackson Senior Citizens' Club - CG98/99-453
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of Christmas dinner and social event.
Grant Requested: £650 (cheque previously issued for £200)
Decision: Continue.

Group: Delletts Angling Club - CG98/99-514
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of transport.
Grant Requested: £475 (cheque previously issued for £60)
Decision: Grant £100.

Group: Springfield Stitchers - CG98/99-517
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of Christmas meals.
Grant Requested: £90 (cheque previously issued for £50)
Decision: Grant £40

Group: Clarkston Luncheon Club - CG98/99-518
Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of Christmas meals.
Grant Requested: £250
Decision: Grant £100

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Group:	Airdrie Crime Prevention Panel - CG98/99-522
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the purchase of 650 reflective fluorescent jackets which will be distributed to all Primary 1 pupils in the Airdrie Area.
Grant Requested:	£650 (cheque previously issued for £315)
Decision:	Grant £260
Group:	Airdrie St. John Senior Citizens' Club - CG98/99-523
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of Christmas treat.
Grant Requested:	£600 (cheque previously issued for £370)
Decision:	Nil Grant
Group:	Airdrie District Self Help Group for Visually Impaired - CG98/99-543
Purpose of Application:	To assist with start up costs.
Grant Requested:	£1,500 (cheque previously issued for £390)
Decision:	Grant £280
Group:	Airdrie YMCA - CG98/99-544
Purpose of Application:	To assist with running costs.
Grant Requested:	£1,500 (cheque previously issued for £550)
Decision:	Grant £80 and continue.
Group:	Plains Senior Citizens - CG98/99-580
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of Christmas party.
Grant Requested:	£200 (cheque previously issued for £150)
Decision:	Grant £50.
Group:	Plains Children's Santa Fund - CG98/99-581
Purpose of Application:	To assist with the cost of Christmas programming.
Grant Requested:	£200 (cheque previously issued for £150)
Decision:	Grant £50.

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Group: **Caldercruix OAP Social Club - CG98/99-582**

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of Christmas treat.

Grant Requested: £800 (cheque previously issued for £90)

Decision: Grant £210.

Group: **St. Andrew's Parochial Committee - CG98/99-583**

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of Christmas treat.

Grant Requested: £500 (cheque previously issued for £150)

Decision: Grant £200.

Group: **Four Isles Bowling (60+) Carpet Bowling Club - CG98/99-584**

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of Christmas treat, transport for outing, rent, and to assist with the purchase of equipment.

Grant Requested: £400 (cheque previously issued for £60)

Decision: Continue.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Group: **Overage Club - CG98/99-619**

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of Christmas Lunch.

Grant Requested: £150

Decision: Grant £150

Group: **Chapelhall Primary School Board - CG98/99-620**

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of sponsoring a P7 link with local sheltered housing to allow pupils to learn new craft skills and teach/help the residents with crafts.

Grant Requested: £500

Decision: Grant £400.

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Group: St. Margaret's High School Senior Citizens' Club - CG98/99-621

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of Christmas Lunch.

Grant Requested: £210

Decision: Grant £190

Group: Mount Pleasant Mother and Toddlers - CG98/99-622

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

Grant Requested: £500

Decision: Grant £400.

Group: Rochsoles Community Resource Project (After School Club) - CG98/99-623

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of materials and a trip to the art gallery.

Grant Requested: £200

Decision: Grant £200.

Group: North Airdrie Women's Craft Group - CG98/99-624

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of materials, promotional leaflets and publicity.

Grant Requested: £200

Decision: Grant £200.

Group: Springfield Management Committee - CG98/99-652

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of social dance and dinner.

Grant Requested: £400

Decision: Continue.

Group: Calderbank Parish Church Guild - CG98/99-653

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of upgrading kitchen to meet health requirements.

Grant Requested: £2,000

Decision: Grant £1,000.

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Group: St. Columba's Church Playschool - CG98/99-654

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of heating, crafts and general running costs.

Grant Requested: £400

Decision: Grant £400

Group: Rochsolloch Community Club - CG98/99-655

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

Grant Requested: £350

Decision: Grant £350

Group: Airdrie Academy School Board - G98/99-677

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of hillwalking and expedition equipment e.g. walking boots, waterproofs, rucksacks, tents etc., and also to support Duke of Edinburgh Award expeditions.

Grant Requested: £500

Decision: Grant £400

Group: The Baillies Lane Over 60s Old Tyme Dancing and Recreation Club - CG98/99-678

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

Grant Requested: £593.35

Decision: Grant £100 and continue.

Councillor Lucas declared an interest in the following item of business and took no part in the decision thereof.

Group: Calderbank Conservation Society - CG98/99-679

Purpose of Application: To assist with the purchase of equipment to remove graffiti from buildings and walls throughout the village e.g. brushes, roller sleeves, roller handles, paint pots and dust sheets.

Grant Requested: £350

Decision: Grant £350.

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Group: Petersburn United Football Club - CG98/99-680

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of taking boys to tournament in Holland.

Grant Requested: £1,500

Decision: Grant £120 and continue.