

HAMILTON AREA COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 26 September 2007

Chair:

Councillor Jean McKeown

Councillors Present:

Jackie Burns, Andy Carmichael, Hugh Dunsmuir (Depute), Allan Falconer, Tommy Gilligan, Jim Handibode, Graeme Horne, Joe Lowe, Brian McCaig, Lesley McDonald, Jim McGuigan, Henry Mitchell, John Murray, Mary Smith, Bert Thomson

Councillors' Apologies:

Peter Craig, Maureen Devlin, Barry Douglas, Bobby Lawson, David McLachlan, John McNamee

Attending:

Corporate Resources

M Armstrong and P MacRae, Administration Officers

Enterprise Resources

D Ackerman, Divisional Engineer, Roads and Transportation Services; C McDowall, Head of Planning and Building Standards Services; J Blake and J Watters, Planning Officers; J Whitely, Team Leader, Roads and Transportation Services

Also Attending:

Strathclyde Fire and Rescue

E Lyons, Group Commander; A McMillan, Station Commander

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Hamilton Area Committee held on 29 August 2007 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

The Committee decided: that the minutes be approved as a correct record.

3 Strathclyde Fire and Rescue - Update

The representatives from Strathclyde Fire and Rescue gave a presentation on the South Lanarkshire Area within Strathclyde Fire and Rescue covering:-

- ◆ legislation governing the operation of Strathclyde Fire and Rescue
- ◆ revised area management structures
- ◆ core activities, statutory duties and partnership initiatives including community safety involvement
- ◆ statistical information on performance and targets
- ◆ breakdown of funding provided by constituent authorities
- ◆ issues regarding secondary fires, false alarms and vandalism

The Committee decided: that the presentation be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of 10 May 2006 (Paragraph 3)]

4 Application HM/06/0840 - Conversion of Disused Agricultural Buildings to Form 2 Residential Units (Amendment) at North Crookedstone Farm, Limekilnburn Road, Hamilton

A report dated 11 September 2007 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application HM/06/0840 by A Torrance for the conversion of disused agricultural buildings to form 2 residential units (amendment) at North Crookedstone Farm, Limekilnburn Road, Hamilton.

The Head of Planning and Building Standards Services advised that a request for a hearing had been received from T and A McEwan, objectors to the proposal, but that he did not consider that the criteria for a hearing had been met in this case.

Councillor McKeown, seconded by Councillor Dunsmuir, moved that the application be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report.

Councillor McDonald, seconded by Councillor Thomson, moved that consideration of the application be continued to the next meeting of the Committee. On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 4 members voted for the amendment and 11 for the motion which was declared carried.

The Committee decided: that planning application HM/06/0840 by A Torrance for the conversion of disused agricultural buildings to form 2 residential units (amendment) at North Crookedstone Farm, Limekilnburn Road, Hamilton be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report.

[Reference: Minutes of 11 May 2005 (Paragraph 5)]

5 Application HM/07/0295 - Modification of Condition 9 of Planning Consent HM/05/0853 Relative to the Increase of Servicing Hours at Aldi Store, Wellhall Road, Hamilton

A report dated 7 September 2007 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application HM/07/0295 by Aldi Stores Limited for the modification of Condition 9 of planning consent HM/05/0853 relative to the increase of servicing hours at Wellhall Road, Hamilton.

The Committee decided: that planning application HM/07/0295 by Aldi Stores Limited for the modification of Condition 9 of planning consent HM/05/0853 relative to the increase of servicing hours at Aldi Store, Wellhall Road, Hamilton be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report.

[Reference: Minutes of 5 July 2006 (Paragraph 4)]

6 Application HM/07/0331 - Installation of Floodlights at Bothwell Tennis Club, Mill Road, Bothwell

A report dated 7 September 2007 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application HM/07/0331 by Bothwell Tennis Club for the installation of floodlights at Bothwell Tennis Club, Mill Road, Bothwell.

Councillor McKeown, seconded by Councillor Dunsmuir, moved that the application be granted subject to an amendment to Condition 4 to restrict the use of floodlighting to 8.00pm. Councillor H Mitchell, seconded by Councillor McGuigan, moved as an amendment that the application be granted but that the use of floodlighting be restricted to 7.30pm. On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 6 members voted for the motion and 9 members voted for the amendment which was declared carried.

The Committee decided: that planning application HM/07/0331 by Bothwell Tennis Club for the installation of floodlights at Bothwell Tennis Club, Mill Road, Bothwell be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report with the amendment of Condition 4 to restrict the use of floodlighting to 7.30pm.

7 Community Grant Applications

A report dated 12 September 2007 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted on applications for community grant.

The Committee decided: that community grants be awarded as follows:-

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| (a) | Applicant: | Hillhouse Church Guild of Friendship (HA/49/07) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (b) | Applicant: | St Andrew's Parish Church Guild, Blantyre (HA/58/07) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and entrance fees |
| | Amount Awarded: | £230 |
| (c) | Applicant: | Hamilton Caledonian Bowling Club (HA/74/07) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment |
| | Amount Awarded: | £300 |
| (d) | Applicant: | Larkhall Burns Club (HA/75/07) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Special event |
| | Amount Awarded: | £300 |
| (e) | Applicant: | Headway South Lanarkshire, Hamilton (HA/76/07) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Publicity costs |
| | Amount Awarded: | £300 |
| (f) | Applicant: | Wyler Tower Tenants' and Residents' Association, Hamilton (HA/79/07) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (g) | Applicant: | SBA District 26 Seniors' League, Hamilton (HA/83/07) |

Purpose of Grant:	Special event
Amount Awarded:	£300

- (h) Applicant: Burnbank and Hamilton Bowling Club Senior Carpet Bowlers
(HA/84/07)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £300
- (i) Applicant: Burnbank Hamilton Bowling Club (HA/85/07)
Purpose of Grant: Special event
Amount Awarded: £200
- (j) Applicant: Raploch Bowling Club (Senior Section), Larkhall (HA/94/07)
Purpose of Grant: Special event
Amount Awarded: £300
- (k) Applicant: Mill United Boys' Club, Hamilton (HA/102/07)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £300
- (l) Applicant: Larkhall Bowling Club (HA/103/07)
Purpose of Grant: Special event
Amount Awarded: £300
- (m) Applicant: Quarter Boolin' Club (HA/105/07)
Purpose of Grant: Special event
Amount Awarded: £300
- (n) Applicant: Eddlewood Bowling Club (HA/108/07)
Purpose of Grant: Special event
Amount Awarded: £300
- (o) Applicant: Larkhall and District Bowling Association (HA/109/07)
Purpose of Grant: Special event
Amount Awarded: £300
- (p) Applicant: The Lanarkshire Festival of Male Voice Choirs, Hamilton
(HA/110/07)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £250
- (q) Applicant: Free Time Children's Club, Blantyre (HA/111/07)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £300
- (r) Applicant: Priestfield Senior Citizens' Club, High Blantyre (HA/112/07)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (s) Applicant: St Machan's Church Guild, Larkhall (HA/114/07)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250

8 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

