

HAMILTON AREA COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 19 November 2008

Chair:

Councillor Jean McKeown

Councillors Present:

Jackie Burns, Andy Carmichael, Peter Craig, Maureen Devlin, Barry Douglas, Hugh Dunsmuir (Depute), Allan Falconer, Jim Handibode, Graeme Horne, Bobby Lawson, Brian McCaig, Lesley McDonald, Jim McGuigan, John McNamee, Henry Mitchell, John Murray, Bert Thomson

Councillors' Apologies:

Tommy Gilligan, Joe Lowe, Davie McLachlan, Mary Smith

Attending:

Corporate Resources

M Anderson, Public Relations Officer; M Armstrong, Administration Officer; N Docherty, Administration Assistant

Education Resources

M Murphy, Headteacher, St Peter's Primary School; A O'Neill, Quality Improvement Officer

Enterprise Resources

G Campbell, Planning Officer (Hamilton); A Cunningham, Hamilton Network Team Leader, Roads and Transportation Services; M Little, Operations and Area Manager, Planning and Building Standards Services (Hamilton)

Also Attending:

South Lanarkshire Leisure

G Campbell, General Manager; V Kemp, Facilities Manager

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 8 October 2008 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

3 South Lanarkshire Leisure Update

The representatives from South Lanarkshire Leisure gave a presentation on:-

- ◆ the range of services delivered by South Lanarkshire Leisure on behalf of the Council
- ◆ the benefits for Lanarkshire arising from the staging of the International Children's Games 2011 in the area
- ◆ the uptake on the "free use" initiative which had been extended earlier in the year to include schools, clubs and other organisations
- ◆ the Fairhill Lifestyle Centre project in Hamilton

- ♦ future challenges in terms of:-
 - ♦ internet development
 - ♦ interactive equipment
 - ♦ the Healthy Lifestyles agenda
 - ♦ the Rural Transport Initiative
 - ♦ service quality

The Committee decided: that the presentation be noted.

4 HMle Report - St Peter's Primary School, Hamilton

A report dated 27 October 2008 by the Executive Director (Education Resources) was submitted on the outcome of the inspection of St Peter's Primary School, Hamilton made by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMle).

The inspection had taken place in May 2008 as part of a national sample of primary education and the inspection report had been published on 2 September 2008.

Education Resources' employees would ensure that the recommendations contained within the report were followed up and that appropriate support was made available to the school.

The Head of Education (Hamilton) and Headteacher spoke on key aspects of the report.

The Committee decided: that the report be noted.

5 Application HM/08/0311 - Change of Use from Residential Use to Nursery (Class 10) at First Floor Level, External Alterations and Erection of Fence at 58 Tuphall Road, Hamilton

A report dated 3 November 2008 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application HM/08/0311 by S English for the change of use from residential use to nursery (Class 10) at first floor level, external alterations and erection of fence at 58 Tuphall Road, Hamilton.

The Committee decided: that planning application HM/08/0311 by S English for the change of use from residential use to nursery (Class 10) at first floor level, external alterations and erection of fence at 58 Tuphall Road, Hamilton be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report.

6 Application HM/06/0178 - Formation of Car Park together with Erection of Security Fencing and Lighting Columns (Retrospective) at 18 Bothwell Road, Hamilton

A report dated 3 November 2008 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application HM/06/0178 by Park's of Hamilton for the formation of a car park together with the erection of security fencing and lighting columns (retrospective) at 18 Bothwell Road, Hamilton.

The Committee decided: that planning application HM/06/0178 by Park's of Hamilton for the formation of a car park together with the erection of security fencing and lighting columns (retrospective) at 18 Bothwell Road, Hamilton be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report.

7 Application HM/08/0579 - Installation of 10 Metre High Pole with Loudspeakers to Provide Church Bells (Retrospective) at St John the Baptist Church, 136 Lower Millgate, Uddingston

A report dated 4 November 2008 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application HM/08/0579 by Father D Towey on behalf of Motherwell Diocese for the installation of a 10 metre high pole with loudspeakers to provide church bells (retrospective) at St John the Baptist Church, 136 Lower Millgate, Uddingston.

The Committee decided: that planning application HM/08/0579 by Father D Towey on behalf of Motherwell Diocese for the installation of a 10 metre high pole with loudspeakers to provide church bells (retrospective) at St John the Baptist Church, 136 Lower Millgate, Uddingston be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report.

Councillor Handibode left the meeting during this item of business

8 Community Grant Applications

A report dated 3 November 2008 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: | Royal British Legion Service Women's Section, Larkhall (HA/119/08) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (b) | Applicant: | Devonhill Drop-in Club, Hamilton (HA/134/08) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (c) | Applicant: | Deerpark Friendship Club, Hamilton (HA/141/08) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and entrance fees |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (d) | Applicant: | St Joseph's Drop-in Club, Blantyre (HA/144/08) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing, entrance fees and equipment |
| | Amount Awarded: | £300 |
| (e) | Applicant: | Strathclyde Bowling Club (Senior Section), Hamilton (HA/148/08) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Special event |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (f) | Applicant: | St Machan's Church Guild, Larkhall (HA/149/08) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (g) | Applicant: | Friends of Morgan Glen, Larkhall (HA/153/08) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment, administration and publicity costs |
| | Amount Awarded: | £250 |
| (h) | Applicant: | Milan Centre Lunch and Social Club, Bothwell (HA/159/08) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |

- (i) Applicant: Hamilton Singers (*HA/160/08*)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £150
- (j) Applicant: Tiny Totz Toddler Group, Blantyre (*HA/163/08*)
Purpose of Grant: Outing, entrance fees and equipment
Amount Awarded: £300
- (k) Applicant: St John's Church Guild, Hamilton (*HA/164/08*)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £200
- (l) Applicant: Blantyre Bowling Club (Ladies' Section) (*HA/165/08*)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £200
- (m) Applicant: Hamilton Baths Amateur Swimming Club (HBASC) (*HA/167/08*)
Purpose of Grant: Special event
Amount Awarded: £100
- (n) Applicant: Ferniegair Gala Committee (*HA/169/08*)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £200

9 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.