

EAST KILBRIDE AREA COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, East Kilbride on 11 October 2017

Chair:

Councillor David Watson

Councillors Present:

John Anderson, Archie Buchanan (Depute), Gerry Convery, Margaret Cooper, Isobel Dorman, Fiona Dryburgh, Joe Fagan, Geri Gray, Monique McAdams, Gladys Miller, Graham Scott, Collette Stevenson, Jim Wardhaugh, Sheena Wardhaugh

Councillors' Apologies:

Graeme Campbell, Ian Harrow, Hugh Macdonald

Attending:

Education Resources

D Dickson, Head of Education (East Kilbride/Cambuslang and Rutherglen); M Thompson, Headteacher, Wester Overton Primary School and Nursery Class

Finance and Corporate Resources

S McLeod, Administration Officer

Also Attending:

Police Scotland

Inspector B Bryce; Sergeant G McLaughlin; K Smith, Assistant Local Authority Liaison Officer

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

E Kelly, Station Manager

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the East Kilbride Area Committee held on 16 August 2017 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

3 Education Scotland Report - Wester Overton Primary School and Nursery Class, Strathaven

A report dated 27 September 2017 by the Executive Director (Education Resources) was submitted on the outcome of the inspection of Wester Overton Primary School and Nursery Class, Strathaven made by Education Scotland.

The inspection had taken place in February 2017 as part of a national sample of primary education and the inspection letter reporting on the findings had been published on 27 June 2017.

A number of particular strengths of the school had been identified in the inspection letter. The areas for improvement, agreed with the school and education authority, had been incorporated into the school's improvement plan and parents would be informed of progress in overtaking the points for action. Education Scotland had intimated that they would make no further visits in connection with this inspection.

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

Members of the Committee congratulated the Headteacher on the outcome of the inspection and the Chair thanked the officers for providing the update.

The Committee decided: that the report be noted.

4 Police Scotland

Inspector Bob Bryce provided details of Police Scotland's Local Policing Plan for South Lanarkshire which contained the following priorities:-

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| ◆ counter terrorism | ◆ road safety |
| ◆ serious organised crime and drugs | ◆ acquisitive crime |
| ◆ serious violent crime and public protection | ◆ anti-social behaviour and hate crime |
| ◆ public confidence and local engagement | |

Information was also provided on:-

- ◆ Police Scotland engagement which had been carried out to identify the priorities as follows:-
 - ◆ 'Your view counts' – local and national views
 - ◆ community planning partners
 - ◆ local community groups
 - ◆ diversity groups
- ◆ the following local priorities which had been identified via 'Your view counts':-
 - ◆ anti-social behaviour and disorder
 - ◆ housebreaking
 - ◆ violent crime
 - ◆ drug dealing and drug misuse
 - ◆ child abuse, including child sexual exploitation
- ◆ the success of various initiatives undertaken in the locality

Inspector Bryce concluded by asking members to encourage their constituents to participate in 'Your view counts' which was confidential, open all year round and could be completed online, via Twitter and Facebook or in person at a police office.

Inspector Bryce, having responded to members' questions, was thanked for providing his informative update.

The Committee decided: that the presentation be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of 2 November 2016 (Paragraph 3)]

5 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service - Local Fire and Rescue Plan for South Lanarkshire 2017

E Kelly, Station Manager, East Kilbride Community Fire Station, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service gave a presentation on the development of a new Local Fire and Rescue Plan for South Lanarkshire.

The presentation highlighted that:-

- ◆ a performance review of the priorities in the current Local Fire and Rescue Plan for South Lanarkshire 2014 to 2017 had been undertaken
- ◆ feedback from stakeholders had shaped the content of the new Local Fire and Rescue Plan

Information was provided on the priorities for the South Lanarkshire Local Plan 2017 which were as follows:-

- ◆ to reduce the number of accidental fires and fire related injuries within the home
- ◆ to reduce the impact of unintentional injury and harm within the home
- ◆ to reduce the number of fires within non-domestic properties
- ◆ to reduce the number of instances of fire related anti-social behaviour
- ◆ to reduce the number of unwanted fire alarm signals
- ◆ to reduce the impact of road traffic collisions
- ◆ operational resilience and preparedness

Station Manager Kelly, having responded to members' questions, was thanked for providing his informative update.

The Committee decided: that the update be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of 16 August 2017 (Paragraph 3)]

6 Community Grant Applications

A report dated 28 September 2017 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on applications for community grants.

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

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| (a) | Applicant: | 17 th East Kilbride Guides (EK/48/17) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and entrance fees |
| | Amount Awarded: | £250 |
| (b) | Applicant: | St Ninian's Parish Church Guild, Stonehouse (EK/56/17) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (c) | Applicant: | Glassford Senior Circle (EK/57/17) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (d) | Applicant: | Chapelton Indoor Bowling Club (EK/58/17) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and entrance fees |
| | Amount Awarded: | £250 |

- (e) Applicant: Glassford Parent and Toddler Group (*EK/59/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Outing, entrance fees and equipment
 Amount Awarded: £375
- (f) Applicant: Rapture Theatre Company, East Kilbride (*EK/60/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs
 Amount Awarded: £500
- (g) Applicant: Scottish Pensions' Association – East Kilbride Branch (*EK/61/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Outing
 Amount Awarded: £200
- (h) Applicant: Sandford WRI, Strathaven (*EK/64/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
 Amount Awarded: £250
- (i) Applicant: Stonehouse Bowling Club (*EK/65/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
 Amount Awarded: £250
- (j) Applicant: Strathaven Agricultural Exposition (*EK/66/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs
 Amount Awarded: £500
- (k) Applicant: St Vincent De Paul - Strathaven (*EK/67/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Outing
 Amount Awarded: £200
- (l) Applicant: Midweek Walking Group, East Kilbride (*EK/68/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Outing and administration and publicity costs
 Amount Awarded: £250
- (m) Applicant: Strathaven Bowling Club Ladies' Section (*EK/69/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
 Amount Awarded: £240
- (n) Applicant: Duncanrig Rambling Club, East Kilbride (*EK/70/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Outing and administration and publicity costs
 Amount Awarded: £250
- (o) Applicant: Swap and Save One-Stop Shop, East Kilbride (*EK/71/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Start-up costs
 Amount Awarded: £250
- (p) Applicant: Glassford Women's Rural Institute (*EK/73/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Outing
 Amount Awarded: £95
- (q) Applicant: Kilbryde Ladies' Club, East Kilbride (*EK/74/17*)
 Purpose of Grant: Outing
 Amount Awarded: £200

7 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.