

EAST KILBRIDE AREA COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, East Kilbride on 30 January 2019

Chair:

Councillor Archie Buchanan

Councillors Present:

Councillor John Anderson, Councillor Gerry Convery, Councillor Isobel Dorman (Depute), Councillor Fiona Dryburgh, Councillor Joe Fagan, Councillor Gladys Miller, Councillor Graham Scott, Councillor Jim Wardhaugh, Councillor David Watson

Councillors' Apologies:

Councillor Graeme Campbell, Councillor Margaret Cooper, Councillor Geri Gray, Councillor Ian Harrow, Councillor Hugh Macdonald, Councillor Monique McAdams, Councillor Collette Stevenson, Councillor Sheena Wardhaugh

Attending:

Community and Enterprise Resources

G McCracken, Team Leader, Planning and Building Standards Services

Finance and Corporate Resources

S McLeod, Administration Officer; G Mays, Solicitor

Also Attending:

Routes to Work South

S Barr, Chief Executive

South Lanarkshire Carers Network

P McIntosh, Partnership and Engagement Officer

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 7 November 2018 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

3 Application P/18/1565 – Erection of Fencing (Retrospective) at 253 Glen More, East Kilbride

A report dated 15 January 2019 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application P/18/1565 by J McBride for the erection of fencing (retrospective) at 253 Glen More, East Kilbride.

The Committee decided: that planning application P/18/1565 by J McBride for the erection of fencing (retrospective) at 253 Glen More, East Kilbride be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report.

4 Routes to Work South

S Barr, Chief Executive, gave a presentation on Routes to Work South (RTWS), a single-member charitable organisation whose principal aim was to help local people to gain sustainable employment. The presentation highlighted that:-

- ◆ RTWS operated exclusively to support South Lanarkshire residents and businesses by working with local people and employers to link opportunity and need
- ◆ through its extensive community outreach, RTWS targeted under represented communities and deprived areas
- ◆ there were 4 central employability hubs, one in each of South Lanarkshire's 4 localities which were situated close to complementary provision such as Jobcentre Plus, Citizens' Advice Bureau and Q&A facilities (all of the hubs provided free broadband, 1-2-1 meeting rooms, training space and computer access
- ◆ the company recognised the benefits of joint working and partnership with others and had a policy of co-locating with partners, which included Business Gateway and Skills Development Scotland, and operated in partnership with the Council and an extensive range of local service providers
- ◆ RTWS offered a wide range of employability and training services for adults and young people

S Barr, having responded to members' questions, was thanked for his informative presentation.

The Committee decided: that the presentation be noted.

5 South Lanarkshire Carers' Network

P McIntosh, Partnership and Engagement Officer, gave a presentation on the South Lanarkshire Carers' Network, an information gateway for unpaid carers in South Lanarkshire. The presentation provided details of the:-

- ◆ definition of a carer
- ◆ context of caring with an estimated 38,000 carers in South Lanarkshire
- ◆ Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 which placed a range of duties on public bodies and extended the rights and potential entitlements of adult and young carers
- ◆ purpose of the Carers' Network which was to support unpaid carers across South Lanarkshire by:-
 - ◆ providing information to carers
 - ◆ hosting and co-ordinating the only carers' network across South Lanarkshire
 - ◆ providing an empowering service
 - ◆ influencing local services
 - ◆ getting involved in local decision-making
 - ◆ campaigning on behalf of carers
- ◆ overall aims of the Carers' Network and what it did to support carers

P McIntosh, having responded to members' questions, was thanked for her informative presentation.

The Committee decided: that the presentation be noted.

Councillor Watson left the meeting during consideration of this item of business

6 Community Grant Applications

A report dated 16 January 2019 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: | Glassford Women's Rural Institute, Strathaven (<i>EK/68/18</i>) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £100 |
| (b) | Applicant: | Friends of Westwoodhill Recreation Area, East Kilbride (<i>EK/70/18</i>) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Start-up costs |
| | Amount Awarded: | £250 |
| (c) | Applicant: | Allers Allotments' Association, East Kilbride (<i>EK/72/18</i>) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment and materials |
| | Amount Awarded: | £300 |
| (d) | Applicant: | ENABLE (East Kilbride Branch) (<i>EK/73/18</i>) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Entrance fees |
| | Amount Awarded: | £250 |
| (e) | Applicant: | Duncanrig Rambling Club, East Kilbride (<i>EK/74/18</i>) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing, administration and publicity costs |
| | Amount Awarded: | £250 |
| (f) | Applicant: | Westwood Parish Church – Tuesday Leisure Club, East Kilbride (<i>EK/75/18</i>) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (g) | Applicant: | Friends of Langlands Moss Local Nature Reserve Group, East Kilbride (<i>EK/76/18</i>) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Administration and publicity costs |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |

7 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.