ENTERPRISE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 30 March 2011

Chair:

Councillor Chris Thompson

Councillors Present:

John Anderson, Eileen Baxendale, John Cairney, Peter Craig, Jim Docherty, Barry Douglas, Beith Forrest, Ian Gray, Eileen Logan, Joe Lowe, Denis McKenna, Davie McLachlan, John McNamee, Mary McNeill, Henry Mitchell, John Murray (Depute), Mary Smith, George Sutherland

Councillors' Apologies:

Lynn Filshie, Graeme Horne, Edward McAvoy, Graham Scott, Jim Wardhaugh

Attending:

Corporate Resources

N Docherty, Administration Assistant; J McDonald, Administration Adviser

Enterprise Resources

C McDowall, Executive Director; A Colthart, Head of Support Services; G Mackay, Head of Roads and Transportation Services; J McCaffer, Head of Regeneration

Finance and Information Technology Resources

L Cathcart, Accountant

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Enterprise Resources Committee held on 2 February 2011 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

3 Minutes of Special Meeting

The minutes of the special meeting of the Enterprise Resources Committee held on 4 February 2011 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

4 Enterprise Resources - Revenue Budget Monitoring 2010/2011

A joint report dated 2 March 2011 by the Chief Executive and the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted comparing actual expenditure at 18 February 2011 against budgeted expenditure for 2010/2011 for Enterprise Resources.

Details were provided on proposed budget virements to realign budgets.

The Committee decided:

- (1) that the underspend on the Enterprise Resources' revenue budget of £0.010 million and the forecast to 31 March 2011 of an underspend be noted; and
- (2) that the budget virements, as detailed in the appendices to the report, be approved.

[Reference: Minutes of 2 February 2011 (Paragraph 3)]

5 Enterprise Resources - Capital Budget Monitoring 2010/2011

A joint report dated 2 March 2011 by the Chief Executive and the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted advising of progress on the Enterprise Resources' capital programme 2010/2011 and summarising the expenditure position at 18 February 2011.

The Committee decided: that the report be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of 2 February 2011 (Paragraph 4)]

6 Enterprise Resources - Workforce Monitoring - December 2010 and January 2011

A joint report dated 3 March 2011 by the Executive Directors (Enterprise Resources) and (Corporate Resources) was submitted on the following employee information for Enterprise Resources for the period December 2010 and January 2011:-

- attendance statistics
- occupational health statistics
- accident/incident statistics
- disciplinary hearings, grievances and Dignity at Work cases
- analysis of leavers
- Joint Staffing Watch as at 11 December 2010

The Committee decided: that the report be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of 2 February 2011 (Paragraph 5)]

7 Voluntary Sector Funding

A report dated 14 March 2011 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on the funding contributions for a number of voluntary sector initiatives in South Lanarkshire for 2011/2012.

An overall programme of financial support for voluntary sector initiatives for 2011/2012 was proposed as follows:-

D octors		Partner/ External	Enterprise Resources'
Project	Funding For	Funding Levered	Contribution 2011/2012
Voluntary Action South Lanarkshire (VASLAN)	Development and implementation costs of service delivery across South Lanarkshire	£580,000	£133,583

Project	Funding For	Partner/ External Funding Levered £81,000	Enterprise Resources' Contribution 2011/2012 £72,000
Citizens' Advice Bureaux (CABs)	Money Advice services in 4 CABs		
Community Health Initiatives	 Healthy Valleys' Initiative Cambuslang and Rutherglen Community Health Initiative 'Up for It' Healthy Lifestyles 	£140,000 £220,000 £270,000	£25,000 £25,000 £50,000
	Totals	£1,291,000	£305,583

The proposed expenditure of £305,583 for voluntary sector initiatives would be met from existing Enterprise Resources' budgets for 2011/2012.

The Committee decided: that the funding allocations to voluntary sector initiatives for

2011/2012 amounting to £305,583, as detailed above, be

approved.

[Reference: Minutes of 17 March 2010 (Paragraph 9) and Executive Committee of 23 February 2011 (Paragraph 11)]

8 Routes to Inclusion - Delivering the Council's Jobs Access and Employability Services

A report dated 4 March 2011 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on the:-

- ♦ key elements of the Routes to Inclusion activity undertaken during 2010/2011
- programme being developed to respond to priorities in the period 2011 to 2013

Details of the range of interventions and activities developed at a programme level for the Routes to Inclusion Programme for 2011 to 2013 were provided in the appendix to the report. The total funding required for the delivery of the programme for 2011/2012 was £4,069,342 with Enterprise Resources' contribution of £2,456,968 being met from existing budgets.

The Committee decided: that the key Routes to Inclusion activity detailed in the

appendix to the report and the proposed expenditure of £4,069,342, including the contribution of £2,456,968 from Enterprise Resources for the period 2011/2012, be

approved.

[Reference: Minutes of 17 March 2010 (Paragraph 10)]

9 Blacklaw Renewable Energy Fund - Applications for Funding

A report dated 28 February 2011 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on 2 applications to the Blacklaw Renewable Energy Fund.

The Renewable Energy Fund had been established in 2004 to provide funding to suitable projects providing community benefits in eligible areas. It was proposed that, subject to the applicants providing written confirmation that all other additional funding for the projects had been secured, a grant of up to a maximum of:-

- ♦ £7,561 towards eligible costs associated with the upgrading of their training pitch at Burn Road, Carluke be awarded to Carluke Milton Rovers
- ♦ £50,000 towards eligible costs associated with the upgrading and refurbishment of the Lanark Loch Play Park be awarded to Lanark Play Park Action Group

The Chair advised that Carluke Milton Rovers had now indicated that they had been unsuccessful in securing match funding and, as a result, had withdrawn their application.

The Committee decided:

- (1) that the position regarding the withdrawal of the application for funding by Carluke Milton Rovers be noted; and
- (2) that Lanark Play Park Action Group be awarded a grant of up to a maximum of £50,000 towards the costs associated with the upgrading and the refurbishment of Lanark Loch Play Park, subject to the Group providing written confirmation that all other additional funding for the project had been secured.

10 Whitelees Renewable Energy Fund - Grant Application - East Kilbride Cricket Club

A report dated 28 February 2011 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on an application to the Whitelees Renewable Energy Fund.

The Whitelees Renewable Energy Fund had been established in 2007 to provide funding to suitable projects providing community benefits in eligible areas. It was proposed that a grant of up to a maximum of £7,469.98 towards eligible costs associated with the purchase of specialised equipment to assist with the expansion of club membership and upgrade of club facilities be awarded to East Kilbride Cricket Club, subject to the Group confirming that all other additional funding for the project had been secured.

The Committee decided:

that East Kilbride Cricket Club be awarded a grant of up to a maximum of £7,469.98 towards the costs associated with the purchase of specialised equipment to assist with the expansion of club membership and upgrade of club facilities, subject to the group confirming that all other additional funding for the project had been secured.

11 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.