

# HAMILTON AREA COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 17 November 2010

## Chair:

Councillor Jean McKeown

## Councillors Present:

Jackie Burns, Andy Carmichael, Peter Craig, Maureen Devlin, Hugh Dunsmuir (Depute), Tommy Gilligan, Graeme Horne, Bobby Lawson, Lesley McDonald, Davie McLachlan, John McNamee, Henry Mitchell, John Murray, Mary Smith, Bert Thomson

## Councillors' Apologies:

Barry Douglas, Allan Falconer, Jim Handibode, Joe Lowe, Brian McCaig, Jim McGuigan

## Attending:

### Corporate Resources

M Armstrong, Administration Officer; N Docherty, Administration Assistant

### Education Resources

S Bogan, Quality Improvement Officer; A Murphy, Headteacher, Udston Primary School; A O'Neill, Quality Improvement Officer; K Stewart, Headteacher, St Mary's Primary School, Hamilton

### Enterprise Resources

S Clark, Planning Team Leader (Hamilton); A Cunningham, Network Team Leader (Roads and Transportation Services); M Muir, Roads Area Manager (Hamilton)

### Housing and Technical Resources

S Moss, Operations Manager

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## 1 Declaration of Interests

The following interest was declared:-

<i>Councillor(s)</i>	<i>Item(s)</i>	<i>Nature of Interest(s)</i>
McKeown	Community Grant Application HA/133/10 Jazz Art UK Dance Company, Larkhall	Personal Interest

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## 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Hamilton Area Committee held on 8 September 2010 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

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## 3 HMle Report - St Mary's Primary School, Hamilton

A report dated 25 October 2010 by the Executive Director (Education Resources) was submitted on the outcome of the inspection of St Mary's Primary School, Hamilton made by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMle).

The inspection had taken place in April 2010 as part of a national sample of primary education and the inspection report had been published on 22 June 2010.

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. In light of the inspection findings, no further visits would be made by HMle in connection with this inspection.

The Headteacher and the Quality Improvement Officer spoke on key aspects of the report and responded to members' questions

**The Committee decided:** that the report be noted.

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#### **4 HMle Report - Udston Primary School, Hamilton**

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A report dated 25 October 2010 by the Executive Director (Education Resources) was submitted on the outcome of the inspection of Udston Primary School, Hamilton made by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMle).

The inspection had taken place in March 2010 as part of a national sample of primary education and the inspection report had been published on 25 May 2010.

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. In light of the inspection findings, no further visits would be made by HMle in connection with this inspection.

The Headteacher and the Quality Improvement Officer spoke on key aspects of the report and responded to members' questions.

**The Committee decided:** that the report be noted.

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#### **5 Housing and Technical Resources - Local Performance Report**

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A report dated 3 November 2010 by the Executive Director (Housing and Technical Resources) was submitted on Housing Services' activity and performance in the Hamilton Area Committee area. Details were provided on the following key areas:-

- ◆ housing investment
  - ◆ HomeHappening Programme
  - ◆ repairs performance to ensure that housing stock was maintained and repaired in response to tenants' requests and planned programmes of maintenance
  - ◆ housing adaptations to enable people to stay in their own homes longer
  - ◆ customer satisfaction
- ◆ housing regeneration and new housing supply
- ◆ community safety

**The Committee decided:** that the report be noted.

*[Reference: Minutes of 4 November 2009 (Paragraph 3)]*

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## **6 Roads Investment Programme - Progress Report**

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A report dated 29 October 2010 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on progress with roads investment activity within the Hamilton Area Committee area. Details were provided on the:-

- ◆ phasing of the additional £126 million expenditure on the Roads Investment Programme from 2008 to 2016
- ◆ level of expenditure allocated to each Council area including confirmation that £32.76 million would be spent in the Hamilton Area Committee area over the 8 year programme
- ◆ increased expenditure on footways/footpaths
- ◆ priority scoring system for carriageway and footway/footpath schemes
- ◆ progress made in relation to the schemes within the Hamilton Area Committee area which showed that 42 schemes had been completed or were programmed to be completed by the end of March 2010

**The Committee decided:** that the report be noted.

*[Reference: Minutes of 24 March 2010 (Paragraph 6)]*

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## **7 Application HM/10/0423 - Change of Use of Class 2 (Job Centre) to Children's Nursery (Class 10) and Associated Car Parking at 47/49 Claude Street, Larkhall**

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A report dated 2 November 2010 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application HM/10/0423 by B McAteer for the change of use of Class 2 (Job Centre) to children's nursery (Class 10) and associated car parking at 47/49 Claude Street, Larkhall.

**The Committee decided:** that planning application HM/10/0423 by B McAteer for the change of use of Class 2 (Job Centre) to children's nursery (Class 10) and associated car parking at 47/49 Claude Street, Larkhall be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report.

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## **8 Application HM/10/0432 - Erection of Motor Control Centre (MCC) Kiosk and Formation of Hardstanding Area at 1 Land West of Hamilton Palace Sports Ground, off Motehill, Hamilton**

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A report dated 2 November 2010 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application HM/10/0432 by Scottish Water for the erection of an MCC kiosk and formation of hardstanding area at 1 Land West of Hamilton Palace Sports Ground, off Motehill, Hamilton.

**The Committee decided:** that planning application HM/10/0432 by Scottish Water for the erection of an MCC kiosk and formation of hardstanding area at 1 Land West of Hamilton Palace Sports Ground, off Motehill, Hamilton be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report.

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## 9 Application HM/10/0438 - Change of Use of Former YMCA Building to Form Office Unit (Class 2) and Hot Food Takeaway (Sui Generis) with External Alterations to Building and Installation of External Flue at 251/253 Glasgow Road, Blantyre

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A report dated 2 November 2010 by the Executive Director (Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application HM/10/0438 by United Leisure and Investments Limited for the change of use of former YMCA building to form office unit (Class 2) and hot food takeaway (sui generis) with external alterations to building and installation of external flue at 251 to 253 Glasgow Road, Blantyre.

**The Committee decided:** that planning application HM/10/0438 by United Leisure and Investments Limited for the change of use of former YMCA building to form office unit (Class 2) and hot food takeaway (sui generis) with external alterations to building and installation of external flue at 251 to 253 Glasgow Road, Blantyre be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report.

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## 10 Community Grant Applications

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A report dated 1 November 2010 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted on applications for community grant.

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

- (a) Applicant: Hamilton North Monday Club (HA/88/10)  
Purpose of Grant: Outing  
Amount Awarded: £200
- (b) Applicant: Sew'n Sews, Larkhall (HA/131/10)  
Purpose of Grant: Start-up costs  
Amount Awarded: £250
- (c) Applicant: Raploch Lunch and Social Club, Larkhall (HA/132/10)  
Purpose of Grant: Start-up costs  
Amount Awarded: £250
- (d) Applicant: Jazz Art UK Dance Company, Larkhall (HA/133/10)  
Purpose of Grant: Start-up costs  
Amount Awarded: £250

*Councillor McKeown, having declared an interest in the above application, withdrew from the meeting during its consideration. Councillor Dunsmuir took the Chair for the above application only*

- (e) Applicant: Blantyre Bowling Club (Ladies' Section) (HA/134/10)  
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees  
Amount Awarded: £250
- (f) Applicant: 78<sup>th</sup> Lanarkshire (3<sup>rd</sup> Blantyre) Scout Group (HA/135/10)  
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees  
Amount Awarded: £200
- (g) Applicant: Uddingston Old Parish Church Social Society (HA/136/10)  
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees  
Amount Awarded: £250

- (h) Applicant: Hamilton District Arts Guild (*HA/138/10*)  
Purpose of Grant: Materials  
Amount Awarded: £300
- (i) Applicant: Machan Trust, Larkhall (*HA/140/10*)  
Purpose of Grant: Special event  
Amount Awarded: £200
- (j) Applicant: Mill United 2003, Hamilton (*HA/141/10*)  
Purpose of Grant: Equipment  
Amount Awarded: £250
- (k) Applicant: The Lanarkshire Festival of Male Voice Choirs, Hamilton  
(*HA/142/10*)  
Purpose of Grant: Materials  
Amount Awarded: £300
- (l) Applicant: St John's Church Guild, Hamilton (*HA/143/10*)  
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees  
Amount Awarded: £250
- (m) Applicant: School of Polish Language and Culture, Hamilton (*HA/144/10*)  
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees  
Amount Awarded: £250
- (n) Applicant: Ferniegair Gala Committee, Hamilton (*HA/145/10*)  
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees  
Amount Awarded: £250

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## **11 Urgent Business**

There were no items of urgent business.