

## Minute of Meeting Johnstone and the Villages Local Area Committee

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 25 August 2016	18:00	Johnstone Town Hall, Ludovic Square, Johnstone, PA5 8EG

### **PRESENT**

Councillors Bibby, Caldwell, Andy Doig, Gilmour, Hood and I McMillan.

### **CHAIR**

Councillor Gilmour, Convener, presided.

### **COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES**

D Wadsworth, Elderslie Community Council; J Anderson, Howwood Sports & Hobbies Group; M Lavery, Quarrelton Tenants' & Residents' Association; W Dean, Johnstone Community Council; A McBain, Johnstone Seniors' Forum; D Blair, Kilbarchan Community Council; and N McBride, Renfrewshire Early Years Forum.

### **COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNER**

Chief Inspector S Wright, Police Scotland.

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

S Allan, Head of Amenity Services (Lead Officer) and M Corrigan, Community Resources Enforcement Manager (both Community Resources); E Gordon, Community Learning Officer (Children's Services); and D Low, Senior Committee Services Officer (LACs) and A McNaughton, Senior Committee Services Officer (both Finance & Resources).

### **APOLOGY**

J Ross, Greensyde Carers.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

## 1 **COMMUNITY SAFETY AND PUBLIC PROTECTION, PROGRESS UPDATE**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Resources providing a progress update on the activities of the Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership carried out in the Johnstone & the Villages Local Area Committee (LAC) area during the period 1 April to 30 June 2016.

The report provided information on Johnstone & the Villages community safety statistics; environmental enforcement and improvement activities; protecting vulnerable residents; building safer communities; diversionary activities and a spotlight on Getting it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC).

**DECIDED:** That the report be noted.

## 2 **OPEN SESSION/ KEY LOCAL ISSUES**

The Senior Committee Services Officer (LACs) advised that no questions had been submitted for consideration at the Open Session.

In relation to a matter previously raised by the LAC, road safety issues on the A737, the Head of Amenity Services advised that Transport Scotland were willing to meet with local community groups to discuss the matter. An update would be submitted to a future meeting of this LAC.

It was proposed that a report should be submitted to a future meeting of the LAC relative to the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland's Fifth Statutory Review of Electoral Arrangements insofar as they related to Renfrewshire. This was agreed.

**DECIDED:**

(a) That it be noted that no questions had been submitted for consideration at the Open Session:

(b) That it be agreed that a report be submitted to a future meeting of this LAC on the meeting between Transport Scotland and local community groups regarding road safety issues on the A737; and

(c) That it be agreed that a report be submitted to the LAC on the Fifth Statutory Review of Electoral Arrangements.

## 3 **GRANT AWARD FEEDBACK**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources providing an update on grant awards made to Johnstone Cub Pack, Johnstone Scout Group, Johnstone Explorer Scout Unit, West Johnstone Digital Photography Workshop, Food Train and Phoenix Flyers Dog Agility Club.

W Dean, Johnstone Community Council provided an update on the Johnstone Gala Day which had taken place on 20 August 2016 and which had been organised by Brewery Street Kids Club and West Johnstone Youth Council. She also provided information on the Brewery Street Kids Club, which had received financial support from the LAC, and outlined future activities proposed by young people in Johnstone.

D Wadsworth, Elderslie Community Council, provided an update on the Elderslie Gala Day/ William Wallace Day in Elderslie.

**DECIDED:** That the report and verbal updates be noted.

#### 4 **BUDGET MONITORING REPORT**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to the Johnstone & the Villages LAC budget for 2016/17.

Appendix 1 to the report provided details of the expenditure committed by the LAC to date together with available budgets.

**DECIDED:** That the report be noted.

#### 5 **APPLICATIONS FOR LAC GRANT FUNDING**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to applications received for local area committee funding.

**DECIDED:** That the applications for funding be determined as follows:-

##### **CONTINUED SINGLE AREA APPLICATIONS**

Friends of Shanks Park Installation of play/exercise equipment Continued

##### **CONTINUED MULTI AREA APPLICATIONS**

Lamont Farm	Running costs	Awarded £400
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Renfrewshire Sports Network	Implementation of Renfrewshire's new sports strategy	Awarded £400
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St James' Orchestra	Rehearsal accommodation costs	Declined
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##### **NEW MULTI AREA APPLICATIONS**

Renfrewshire Women's Aid	Assistance towards running costs of refuge flats	Continued
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#### 6 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**DECIDED:** It was noted that the next meeting of the Johnstone & the Villages LAC would be held at 6.00 pm on 17 November 2016 in Johnstone Town Hall.