

# Minute of Meeting Local Partnership - Johnstone & Linwood

Date	Time	Venue
Tuesday, 04 June 2019		Johnstone Castle Community Learning Centre, Pine Crescent, Johnstone,

# Present

Councillor Derek Bibby, Councillor Jacqueline Cameron, Lesley Compston (KLAS Care), Councillor Audrey Doig, Councillor Alison Jean Dowling, Councillor John Hood, Margaret Johnstone, (Johnstone Business Consortium), Margaret Lavery, (Quarrelton Area Tenants and Residents Association), Councillor Alistair Mackay, Mary McElhinney (Linwood Community Council), Iain McMillan, (Johnstone Community Sports Complex), Councillor Emma Rodden, Councillor Andy Steel, and Thomas Wallace (Johnstone Community Council).

# Chair

Councillor Steel, Chair, presided.

## In Attendance

D Gilles, Head of Facilities Management (Hard & Soft) (Lead Officer), S Graham, Partnerships Planning and Development Manager (Chief Executive's); and E Currie, Senior Committee Services Officer and N O'Brien, Assistant Committee Services Officer (both Finance & Resources).

# Apologies

Councillor Andy Doig, Councillor Scott Kerr, Adele Fraser (Linstone Housing Association) and Ricky Kelly (Johnstone Castle Tenants and Resident's Association).

## **Community Planning Partners**

Sergeant B McNaught (Police Scotland), J McDougall (Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership) and K McIntyre (Engage Renfrewshire).

# **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Hood, Councillor Bibby, Iain McMillan, Tom Wallace and Margaret Johnstone declared non-financial interests in item 4 – Applications for Local Partnership Funding – in respect of application FR1072 submitted by Johnstone Community Council as they were members of the Johnstone Gala Day Committee and intimated their intention to remain in the meeting but not take part in the discussion or voting thereon.

Margaret Johnstone declared a non-financial interest in item 4 – Applications for Local Partnership Funding – in respect of application FR1069 submitted by the Johnstone Business Consortium as she was a member of the Consortium and intimated her intention to remain in the meeting but not take part in the discussion or voting thereon.

Mary McElhinney declared a non-financial interest in item 4 – Applications for Local Partnership Funding – in respect of application FR1203 submitted by Linwood Community Council as she was a member of the Community Council and intimated her intention to remain in the meeting but not take part in the discussion or voting thereon.

## Welcome

Councillor Steel welcomed those present to the meeting.

## **1** Minute of the Previous Meeting

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of this Local Partnership held on 26 March 2019.

Councillor Audrey Doig, seconded by Councillor Rodden, moved that the Minute be approved.

Councillor Bibby, seconded by Tom Wallace, moved as an amendment that the Minute was incorrect and that in relation to item 2 of the Minute, Membership of Johnstone and Linwood Local Partnership, decision (b) be amended to read (b) That the remaining place be filled by George MacDonald, Corseford Tenants' and Residents' Association.

On a vote being taken, 2 members voted the motion, 8 members voted for the amendment and 3 members abstained. The amendment was accordingly declared carried.

**DECIDED**: That the Minute, as amended, be approved.

## **Declaration of Interest**

Councillor Cameron declared a non-financial interest in the following item of business as she was a member of the KAIROS committee and intimated her intention to remain in the meeting but take no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

# 2 Membership of Johnstone & Linwood Local Partnership

Under reference to item 2 of the Minute of the meeting of this Local Partnership held on 26 March 2019, there was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the appointment of a community representative to the remaining vacant position on the Local Partnership and to consider a change in representation.

The report intimated that an application had been received from Gavin Stewart, a member of Scottish Youth Parliament representing Renfrewshire Youth Voice and that Jackie Armour, a community representative from KAIROS had intimated that she was no longer actively volunteering with the organisation and had formally requested that their allocated place be taken by their parent organisation Active Communities.

It was noted that Councillor Alistair Mackay had now taken up his position on this Local Partnership and that as such the Local Partnership would consist of 10 elected members and 10 community representatives.

#### DECIDED:

(a) That it be noted that that Jackie Armour, KAIROS, had intimated that she no longer actively volunteered with the organisation and had formally requested that the allocated place to taken by their parent organisation, Active Communities;

(b) That Gavin Stewart be appointed to the Local Partnership as a representative of young people; and

(c) That it be noted that Councillor Alistair Mackay had now taken up his position on this Local Partnership and that as such the Local Partnership would consist of 10 elected members and 10 community representatives.

## 3 Local Partnership - Business Arrangements

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the business arrangements of the Local Partnership.

The report intimated that the Local Partnership agreed at the last meeting held on 26 March 2019 that the name would remain as Johnstone and Linwood Local Partnership and that meetings would take place at various locations in Johnstone and Linwood.

The Youth Challenge element of Johnstone and Linwood Local Partnership funding would be agreed through a participatory budgeting exercise for young people that would take place in August/September 2019. The outcome would be reported back to the next meeting of the Local Partnership.

A community conference event for Johnstone & Linwood Local Partnership would take place during September/October 2019.

Community representatives were reminded that the Local Partnership had decided that community representatives appointed to the Local Partnership would sign up to the Register of Interests. Those who had not returned a completed Register of Interest were requested to do so.

#### DECIDED:

(a) That the agreed name of the Local Partnership be the Johnstone and Linwood Local Partnership;

(b) That the arrangements for the youth participatory budgeting exercise and the Johnstone and Linwood conference be noted and that it be noted that Community Planning would advise members of the Local Partnership of the dates for these events;

(c) That it be noted that community representatives on this Local Partnership who had not yet completed and returned their Register of Interests should do so as soon as possible.

# 4 Applications for Local Partnership Funding

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the applications for Local Partnership Funding.

The report intimated that at the meeting of the Local Partnership held on 26 March 2019 a draft set of priorities for the Local Partnership had been agreed, being taking pride in the look and feel of our towns; what's on in Johnstone and Linwood; roads and transport; community safety; and focus on young people, and applicants had been invited to reflect theses priorities in their applications for funding.

The available allocation for Johnstone and Linwood Local Partnership was  $\pounds47,044$ , of which  $\pounds500$  had been ringfenced for community representative's expenses. The total value of applications received was  $\pounds121,040$  which meant that the available allocation was oversubscribed by  $\pounds73,996$ .

The report advised that the Youth Challenge Fund component for this Local Partnership was £21,697 and would be allocated by young people through a participatory budgeting exercise to take place later in the year.

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Local Partnership would consider and agree those grant applications that could be referred to the Youth Challenge Fund for consideration and thereafter that the Local Partnership consider and agree those grant applications from organisations that were considered local to the partnership area.

It was recommended and agreed that the undernoted applications be referred to the Youth Challenge Fund for consideration:

FR1080 - Riverbrae Parent Council – grow in Linwood – tools/adapted tools purchase

FR1086 - Lapwing Lodge Activity Centre – modernising Lapwing Lodge and providing four funded days in the area

FR1136 - Fitting-In - programme of activities working with 'at risk' 5 to 18 year olds

FR1207 – Renfrewshire District Scouts – minibus hire from Linwood to Johnstone Scout Hall

FR1218 – Johnstone Band – brass instrument classes, workshop and concert

FR1263 - 2nd Johnstone (Fordbank) Scout Group – contribution to hall and uniform costs to provide affordable opportunities for scouting

FR1266 - Linwood Scout Group – replace and upgrade equipment and uniforms and provide new activities

FR1275 - Lamont Farm Project – running costs to provide hands on experience to educate people on animal husbandry and welfare

It was recommended and agreed that the undernoted applications be considered as being applications from local organisations and that the undernoted applications be determined as follows:

#### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Hood, Councillor Bibby, Iain McMillan, Tom Wallace and Margaret Johnstone, having declared non-financial interests in the following application, remained in the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

FR1072 – Johnstone Community Council – Gala Day – recommend £5,000 and reconsider recommendation if funding remained following consideration of all applications from local organisations. As there were funds available following consideration of all applications from local organisations it was recommended that an award of £6,435 be made

FR1288 - Friends of Johnstone Day Care – creation of garden area – award £3,500

FR1139 - Johnstone Dementia Friendly Community Project – improve facilities for people living with dementia – award £1,900

#### DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Margaret Johnstone having declared a non-financial interest in the following application, remained in the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

FR1069 - Johnstone Business Consortium – Hillman Imp Rally, Fire Engine Rally and Christmas Market

Councillor Hood, seconded by Iain McMillan, moved that a grant of £10,000 be made.

Lesley Compston, seconded by Mary McElhinney, moved as a first amendment that a grant of £4,000 be made.

Councillor Audrey Doig, seconded by Councillor Rodden, moved as a second amendment that a grant of £8,000 be made.

On a vote being taken between the motion and the first amendment, 10 members voted for the motion and 3 members voted for the first amendment. The motion won.

On a vote being taken between the motion and the second amendment, 4 members voted for the motion and 8 members voted for the second amendment. The second amendment was accordingly declared carried.

As there was a balance of funding remaining following consideration of all local applications, it was recommended that an award of  $\pounds 10,000$  be made

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Mary McElhinney having declared a non-financial interest in the following application, remained in the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereron.

FR1203 - Linwood Community Council – provide a fun, safe day out for the community - recommend £5,000 and reconsider recommendation if funding remained following consideration of all applications from local organisations. As there was a balance of funding remaining following consideration of all local applications, it was recommended that an award of £8,350 be made

FR1297 - Active Communities – range of activities to improve health and wellbeing – award  $\pounds$ 4,060

FR1070 - Corseford Tenants & Residents Association – Christmas lights – award  $\pounds 2,000$ 

FR1223 - Toddle Tots CiC – educating children and their families by showcasing safe routes using sustainable transport whilst championing walking and outdoor play – award  $\pounds$ 1,590

FR1247 - Breastfeeding Network – breast feeding peer and information to families in Johnstone and Linwood – award  $\pounds 6,091$ 

FR1256 - Linstone Housing Association – support for young people to design a youth space in Linwood – award £2,500.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7.20 pm and reconvened at 7.30 pm.

It was recommended and agreed that, as there were no funds available, the undernoted applications be declined:-

FR1103 – Forever Young – walking leader

FR1229 – Renfrewshire Access Panel – enable all members of the community, particularly disabled people, to access services

FR1212 – Route 66 – autumn/winter craft activities to improve physical, emotional and social life of women

FR1293 – Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities (REEM) – Black History Month

FR1159 – Renfrewshire Visually Impaired Forum (RVIF) – empower visually impaired people to be active within the community through weekly meetings

FR1285 – Shopmobility – new scooters

FR1113 – Paisley Pirates IHC – ice hire and related costs

FR1124 – Renfrewshire Leisure – activity sessions to engage inactive children

FR1177 – Rainbow Turtle – education officer and conference

FR1151 – Renfrewshire Bowling Club Association Under 25s – travel and team wear costs

FR1280 – Braehead Junior Ice Hockey Club – offer affordable participation in junior ice hockey

FR1300 – Feis Phaislig – 2019/20 programme of events, ceilidhs and concerts delivering new and existing activities

FR1147 – Phoenix Flyers Dog Agility Club – new equipment to meet Kennel Club standards

FR1281 – Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities (REEM) – drop-in centre.

#### DECIDED:

(a) That it be recommended that the undernoted applications be referred to the Youth Challenge Fund for consideration:-

FR1080 - Riverbrae Parent Council – grow in Linwood – tools/adapted tools purchase

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FR1275 - Lamont Farm Project – running costs to provide hands on experience to educate people on animal husbandry and welfare;

(b) That the undernoted applications be recommended for funding as follows:-

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FR1070 - Corseford Tenants & Residents Association – Christmas lights – awarded  $\pounds 2,000$ 

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FR1256 - Linstone Housing Association – support for young people to design a youth space in Linwood - awarded £2,500; and

(c) That it be recommended that the undernoted applications be declined:-

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# 5 Date of Next Meeting

**DECIDED**: That it be noted that the next meeting of this Local Partnership would be held in November 2019 and that members would be advised of the date, time and venue.