

Minute of Meeting Paisley North Local Area Committee

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 01 June 2017	18:00	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

Present: Councillor Jennifer Marion Adam-McGregor, Councillor Carolann Davidson, Councillor Neill Graham, Councillor Karen Kennedy, Councillor Kenny MacLaren, Councillor Mags MacLaren, Councillor John McIntyre, Councillor John McNaughtan, Councillor Will Mylet, Councillor Jim Sharkey

Chair

Councillor Adam-McGregor, Convener, presided.

Community Representatives

I Williams, Environmental Training Team; M Dymond, Maxwellton Court Tenants' Association; K Barr, Oakshaw Residents' Association; H Dykes, Paisley East & Whitehaugh Community Council; M Dillon, Paisley North Community Council; J Wilby, Paisley West & Central Community Council; K McNellie-Welsh, Paisley West Tenants' and Residents' Association; J McQuade, Renfrewshire Visually Impaired Forum and R Boyd, Scottish Youth Parliament.

In Attendance

A Armstrong-Walter, Policy Lead (Tackling Poverty, Welfare Reform and Equalities) (Chief Executive's); C Dalrymple, Regulatory and Enforcement Manager (Community Resources); J Lynch, Head of Property Services (Lead Officer), D Low, Senior Committee Services Officer (LACs) and E Currie, Senior Committee Services Officer (all Finance & Resources).

Apology

J Bunton (Paisley North Community Council).

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Mylet declared a non-financial interest in item 5 of the agenda in relation to the applications for Local Area Committee (LAC) funding submitted by Paisley on the Web and Oldhall Scout Group and indicated that it was his intention to leave the meeting during consideration of the items and not to take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

Councillors K MacLaren and McNaughtan declared non-financial interests in item 5 of the agenda in relation to the application for LAC funding submitted by Paisley on the Web and indicated that it was their intention to leave the meeting during consideration of the item and not to take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

Order of Business

In terms of Standing Order 16, the Convener intimated that in relation to item 5 of the agenda she proposed to alter the order of business to facilitate the conduct of the meeting by considering the application for LAC funding from Paisley on the Web as the last application.

Additional Items

The Convener intimated that there were additional items in relation to a applications for LAC funding submitted by Glenburn Stroke and Disability Support Group and The Cathedral Club which had not been included in the notice calling the meeting. The Convener, being of the opinion that the items, which are dealt with at item 5 of this Minute, were urgent in view of the need to determine the matters timeously authorised their consideration.

1 Community Safety and Public Protection Progress Update

There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Resources providing a progress update on Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership activities carried out in the Paisley North LAC area during the period 1 January to 31 March 2017.

The report provided information on Paisley North community safety statistics; environmental enforcement and improvement activities; protecting vulnerable residents; building safer communities; and a spotlight on the Renfrewshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership.

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.

DECIDED: That it be noted that no questions had been submitted for consideration at the Open Session.

3 Budget Monitoring

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to the Paisley North LAC budget for 2017/18, totalling £144,619 consisting of £97,619 General Grant Fund, £13,000 Paisley Common Good Fund and £34,010 Youth Challenge Fund. The appendix to the report detailed the expenditure committed by the LAC in 2016/17.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

4 Street Stuff Annual Report/Funding Request

There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Resources relative to the continued development of the Street Stuff Programme and seeking an award of £5,000 for 2017/18 to contribute towards the costs of additional activity sessions within the LAC area including attendance at local gala days and fetes.

The report intimated that Street Stuff had been delivering activities in Renfrewshire since 2009, during which they had contributed to a sustained reduction in reported youth disorder and anti-social behaviour. Over the last few years the LAC had been keen to consider funding additional activities within their area which would allow additional sessions to be programmed within communities that were not identified at a Renfrewshire level as areas that had a particular problem with anti-social behaviour or children living in poverty. Given the scale of the core programme it was proposed that a contribution of £5,000 per LAC area be considered, which was similar to the contribution in previous years. This funding would contribute to the costs of delivery of up to two activity sessions per week within the LAC area, through the peak summer, autumn and spring months, as well as attendance at local gala days and fetes.

DECIDED:

(a) That the continued development of the Street Stuff Programme as detailed in the report be noted; and

(b) That £5,000 be awarded to the Street Stuff Programme for 2017/18 to contribute towards the costs of additional activity sessions within the LAC area including attendance at local gala days and fetes.

5 Applications for Local Area Committee 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:-

SINGLE AREA

Paisley West & Central West End Growing Group – Development of derelict site at Carbrook Street Paisley to form community garden – Awarded £1,500

CARING (Children at Risk in Need of Guidance) – Outdoor activities – Awarded £999 subject to conditions to be agreed with the Director of Children's Services

Caledonia Glen Tenants' Association – Community event – Awarded £400

The Cotton Club – Intergenerational mural and gardening project – Awarded £1,000

The New Tannahill Centre – Health related classes – Awarded £4,356

Ralston Community Games – Annual event – Awarded £5,800

Active Communities and Paisley YMCA – Activities for P6/7 children in Ferguslie Park – Awarded £5,522

Active Communities – Annual jingle bell run – Awarded £2,600

Paisley North Community Council – Activity and health sessions, healthy cooking, arts and crafts, dance classes and youth club – Awarded £5,700

Spinningdale Residents Association – Maintain Mill Road embankment

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved that Spinningdale Residents' Association be awarded £900.

Councillor K MacLaren, seconded by Councillor Mylet, moved as an amendment that consideration of the application be continued.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Kennedy and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, Graham, K MacLaren, McIntyre, McNaughtan and Mylet.

3 members having voted for the motion and 6 members having voted for the amendment, the amendment was accordingly declared carried.

Ralston Playgroup – creation of play area for children at Ralston Community Centre – Awarded £5,000

7th Paisley & District Scout Troop – Monthly camping experiences for young people – Awarded £2,000

Kelburne Cricket Club – Purchase of roller

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Kennedy, moved that Kelburne Cricket Club be awarded £6,750.

Councillor Adam-McGregor, seconded by Councillor McNaughtan, moved as an amendment that Kelburne Cricket Club be awarded £3,000.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Kennedy and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, Graham, K MacLaren, McIntyre, McNaughtan and Mylet.

3 members having voted for the motion and 6 members having voted for the amendment, the amendment was accordingly declared carried.

Priorscroft Bowling Club – Primary school bowling project – Continued

Renfrewshire Leisure Active Schools – Lunch and after school clubs – Awarded £9,880

55th Paisley Brownies and Guides – Indoor and outdoor activities for new unit in Ferguslie Park – Awarded £2,500

MULTI-AREA

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved that the multi-area applications for LAC funding be awarded on a pro-rata basis.

Councillor Mylet, seconded by Councillor K MacLaren, moved as an amendment that the multi-area applications for LAC funding be considered individually and on their own merit.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Kennedy, McIntyre and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, Graham, K MacLaren, McNaughtan and Mylet.

4 members having voted for the motion and 5 members having voted for the amendment, the amendment was accordingly declared carried.

I Am Me Scotland – Development of disability hate crime book – Awarded £2,000

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Mylet having declared an interest in the following request for funding left the meeting and did not take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

5th Paisley Oldhall Scout Group – Hall refurbishment – Awarded £4,000

SEDERUNT

Councillor Mylet returned to the meeting prior to consideration of the following request.

Jennyswell Blind School – Specialist equipment - Declined

CREATE Paisley – Creative programmes for young people – Awarded £8,975

Cornerstone Drop-in – Drop-in programme running costs – Awarded £375

RAMH – No Substitute for Life – Suicide awareness event – Awarded £376

Oakshaw Trinity Friendly Hour – Hire of minibus to transport members to meetings – Awarded £400

Braehead Junior Ice Hockey Club – Costs of ice hire – Awarded £689

Greensyde Carers – Tracksuits for members training with Mildale Athletics Team – Awarded £96

The Wynd Centre – Provision of youth counselling service

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved that the application by The Wynd Centre be declined.

Councillor Mylet, seconded by Councillor K MacLaren, moved as an amendment that consideration of the application by The Wynd Centre be continued.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Graham, Kennedy, McIntyre and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, K MacLaren, McNaughtan and Mylet.

5 members having voted for the motion and 4 members having voted for the amendment, the motion was accordingly declared carried.

The Wynd Centre – Provision of adult counselling service

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved that the application by The Wynd Centre be declined.

Councillor K MacLaren, seconded by Councillor Mylet, moved as an amendment that consideration of the application by The Wynd Centre be continued.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Graham, Kennedy, McIntyre and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, K MacLaren, McNaughtan and Mylet.

5 members having voted for the motion and 4 members having voted for the amendment, the motion was accordingly declared carried.

RSPB Renfrewshire Local Group – Provision of presentation equipment – Awarded £119.99

The Boys Brigade Paisley & District Battalion – events and activities – Awarded £500

Scottish Afro-Caribbean Art Association – diversity events including carnival

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved that the Scottish Afro-Caribbean Art Association be awarded £12,350.

Councillor Mylet, seconded by Councillor K MacLaren, moved as a first amendment that the application be declined.

Councillor Graham, seconded by Councillor McIntyre, moved as a second amendment that the Scottish Afro-Caribbean Art Association be awarded £6,175.

Councillors Mylet and K MacLaren then withdrew their amendment.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Kennedy and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, Graham, K MacLaren, McIntyre, McNaughtan and Mylet.

3 members having voted for the motion and 6 members having voted for the amendment, the amendment was accordingly declared carried.

Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities – drop-in centre – Awarded £4, 632.50

Phoenix Activities Group – Craft based activities for people with mental health issues – Awarded £840

Twist and Hit Cheerleaders – Provision of sprung floor

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved that Twist and Hit Cheerleaders be awarded £5,000.

Councillor Mylet, seconded by Councillor K MacLaren, moved as an amendment that Twist and Hit Cheerleaders be awarded £4,500.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Graham, Kennedy, McIntyre and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, K MacLaren, McNaughtan and Mylet.

5 members having voted for the motion and 4 members having voted for the amendment, the motion was accordingly declared carried.

Paisley Pirates Ice Hockey Club – Assistance with increasing ice costs – Awarded £2,000

Changing Stages Drama Group – Assist with costs of drama highlighting mental health and addiction issues - Awarded £844

Paisley Guitar Group – Promotion of guitar to people with mental health issues – Awarded £620

St James Orchestra – Accommodation costs – Awarded £300

SEDERUNT

Councillor M MacLaren entered the meeting prior to consideration of the following application.

Forever Young – Activities for sheltered housing residents – Awarded £2,000

Meikleriggs Cricket Foundation – Provision of cricket sessions – Awarded £4,700

Ferguslie Cricket Club – Purchase of multi-purpose tractor

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved that Ferguslie Cricket Club be awarded £5,000.

Councillor M MacLaren, seconded by Councillor McNaughtan, moved as an amendment that Ferguslie Cricket Club be awarded £2,500.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Graham, Kennedy, McIntyre and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, K MacLaren, M MacLaren, McNaughtan and Mylet.

5 members voted for the motion and 5 members voted for the amendment. There being an equality of votes cast, the Convener used her second and casting vote in favour of the amendment.

Renfrewshire Access Panel – Provision of disability access assessments – Awarded £2,000

Ferguslie Cricket Club – Replacement sight screen – Awarded £5,000

Alba Thistle AFC – League affiliation fees and equipment – Awarded £800

Paisley Peoples' Archive – Historical mills project – Awarded £527.50

Rainbow Turtle – Provision of education programme – Awarded £1,500

Phoenix Flyers – maintenance and improvement of training facilities – Awarded £1,000

Renfrewshire Bowling Association Under 25s – Cost of bowls, buses and team clothing – Awarded £600

Renfrewshire Youth Voice – Production of 'Positive about Youth' awards – Awarded £911

C Change Scotland – Outreach work for people with learning disabilities

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved that C Change Scotland be awarded £2,000.

Councillor M MacLaren, seconded by Councillor Mylet, moved as an amendment that the application be declined.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Graham, Kennedy, McIntyre and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, K MacLaren, M MacLaren, McNaughtan and Mylet.

5 members voted for the motion and 5 members voted for the amendment. There being an equality of votes cast, the Convener used her second and casting vote in favour of the amendment.

Paisley & District Scout Association – International camp in Poland – Awarded £2,500

PACE Theatre Company – Package of support for disadvantaged young people to join PACE – Awarded £1,132.80

Feis Phaislig – Provision of traditional music tuition – Awarded £1,009

Basketball Paisley – Provision of basketball coaching programme – Awarded £940

Shopmobility Paisley & District – Insurance – Awarded £300

Paisley YMCA – Digital maker space for young people – Awarded £4,685

DirectDevitt Comedy and Management Productions CIC – Criminal justice and mental health workshops for young people, subject to conditions to be agreed with the Director of Children's Services

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved that DirectDevitt Comedy and Management Productions CIC be awarded £3,915.60.

Councillor K MacLaren, seconded by Councillor M MacLaren, moved as an amendment that DirectDevitt Comedy and Management Productions CIC be awarded £1,957.80.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Kennedy and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, Graham, K MacLaren, M MacLaren, McIntyre, McNaughtan and Mylet.

3 members having voted for the motion and 7 members having voted for the amendment, the amendment was accordingly declared carried.

Lamont Farm Project – 50% of running costs – Awarded £2,000

Fitting-in – Health programme for young people deemed to be 'at risk' – Awarded £1,060

Renfrewshire Sports Network – Pilot community games event - Continued

Paisley Florist Society Gardening Club – Annual show – Awarded £150

2175 (Rolls Royce) Squadron ATC – Remote aircraft flying project – Awarded £616.66

Association of African Communities in Renfrewshire – rent and office and volunteer expenses – Awarded £1,215.84

Loud 'n' Proud – Production of 'The Bungalow' musical including training for young people – Awarded £2,400

The Neighbourhood Challenge – Community clean-ups – Awarded £1,000

B Company West Lowland BN Army Cadet Force – Cost of annual camp – Awarded £2,053.33

Renfrewshire Schools Pipe Band – Uniforms, drums and transport costs for junior pipe band – Awarded £2,500

Rays of Hope – Activities for members of cancer support group – Awarded £2,000

Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Communities – Black history month – Awarded £2,500

Renfrewshire Council Youth Services – Development of Youth Commission in Mental Health

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Kennedy, moved that Renfrewshire Council Youth Services be awarded £1, 822.

Councillor K MacLaren, seconded by Councillor Mylet, moved as an amendment that the application be refused.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Graham, Kennedy, McIntyre and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, K MacLaren, M MacLaren, McNaughtan and Mylet.

5 members voted for the motion and 5 members voted for the amendment. There being an equality of votes cast, the Convener used her second and casting vote in favour of the amendment.

Girls' Brigade Renfrew Division – Training, hire of premises and transport – Awarded £240

The Breastfeeding Network – Support and volunteer costs – Awarded £1,303

Walking Tours on Wheels – Promotion of themed tours in Paisley and surrounding area – Awarded £800

The Cathedral Club – Activities for older people – Awarded £1,000

Glenburn Stroke & Disability Support Group – Running costs – Awarded £1,166

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Mylet, K MacLaren and McNaughtan having declared interests in the following request for funding left the meeting and did not take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

Councillors Adam-McGregor and M MacLaren declared an interest in the following request for funding left the meeting and did not take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

Councillor Adam-McGregor vacated the Chair.

CHAIR

Councillor Sharkey took up the Chair

Paisley on the Web – Website running costs – Declined

SEDERUNT

Councillors Mylet, K MacLaren, McNaughtan, Adam-McGregor and M MacLaren returned to the meeting prior to consideration of the following item of business.

6 Timetable of Meetings

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to the timetable of LAC meetings to December 2017.

DECIDED: That meetings of this LAC be held on 17 August and 16 November 2017 at 6.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Renfrewshire House.