

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

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 30 August 2018	18:00	Johnstone Town Hall, Ludovic Square, Johnstone, PA5 8EG

### Present

Councillor Derek Bibby, Councillor Bill Binks, Councillor Jacqueline Cameron, Councillor Alistair Mackay, Councillor Emma Rodden, Councillor Andy Steel.

### Chair

Councillor Steel, Convener, presided.

### Community Representatives

A-M Balfour, Elderslie Community Council; J Anderson, Howwood Sports & Hobbies Group; T Wallace, Johnstone Community Council; W Crawford, Johnstone High Parish Church; A McBain, Johnstone Seniors Forum; D Blair, Kilbarchan Scout Group; D Fowles, Lochwinnoch Community Council; and M Lavery, Quarrelton Tenants & Residents Association.

### Community Planning Partner

Chief Inspector Scott (Police Scotland).

### In Attendance

S Graham, Partnerships Planning & Development Manager and A Moulson, Strategic Events Manager (both Chief Executive's); I Sinclair, Community Learning Officer (Children's Services); C Robertson, Warden Services Manager (Communities, Housing & Planning Services); G McNeill, Head of Operations & Infrastructure (Lead Officer) and K Anderson, Amenity Services Manager (both Environment & Infrastructure); and D Low, Senior Committee Services Officer (LACs) (Finance & Resources).

## **Apologies**

Councillors Andy Doig and Hood.

## **Declarations of Interest**

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

## **Additional Item**

The Convener intimated that there was an additional item in relation to an application for grant funding by Elderslie Community Council that had not been included on the agenda. The Convener, being of the opinion that the item, which is dealt with at item 5 of this Minute, was urgent in view of the need to determine the matter timeously authorised its inclusion on the list of applications for consideration.

## **Order of Business**

In terms of Standing Order 16, Councillor Steel indicated that he intended to alter the order of business to facilitate the conduct of the meeting by considering item 7 of the agenda before item 6.

### **1 Community Safety and Public Protection Update**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Communities, Housing and Planning Services providing a progress update on Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership activities carried out in the Johnstone & the Villages Local Area Committee (LAC) area during the period 1 April to 30 June 2018.

The report provided information on Johnstone & the Villages area anti-social behaviour statistics; environmental enforcement and improvement activities; protecting vulnerable residents; building safer communities; and diversionary activities.

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

### **2 Update on Review of Community Level Governance Arrangements**

Under reference to item 4 of the Minute of the meeting of this LAC held on 31 May 2018 the Partnerships Planning & Development Manager gave a verbal update on the review of the LAC structure and the proposed new model for Community Level Governance. It was noted that a report on the review had been submitted to the meeting of the Cross Party Sounding Board held on 16 August 2018 and a final report would be submitted to the meeting of Renfrewshire Council to be held on 27 September 2018.

**DECIDED:** That the verbal update be noted.

### **3 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.

### **4 Budget Monitoring**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to the Johnstone & the Villages LAC budget for 2018/19.

The report intimated that the sum of £5,086 had been returned to the General Grant Fund as a result of R & J Enterprises Limited not taking up the offer of grant awarded at the meeting on 31 May 2018.

**DECIDED:**

(a) That it be noted that R & J Enterprises Limited would not be taking up the offer of grant agreed by this LAC on 31 May 2018 and, as a result, the sum of £5,086 would be returned to the General Grant Fund budget; and

(b) That the report be noted.

### **5 Applications for Local Area Committee Funding**

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

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

**SINGLE AREA**

Neilston and Uplawmoor First Responders – Johnstone Defibrillator Project – Awarded £3,250 together with any remaining balances at the year end.

Elderslie Community Council – purchase and installation of a defibrillator and case – Awarded £1,650.

**MULTI AREA**

Back to School Bank – provision of new school uniform and sanitary products for those in need – Awarded £300.

Renfrewshire Carers Centre – provision of activities for young carers – Awarded £1,000.

## **6 Presentation: How Events Can Support the Community**

A presentation was given by the Strategic Events Manager relative to the 2021 Legacy Programming.

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

### **Sederunt**

Councillor Mackay entered the meeting during consideration of the following item of business.

## **7 Presentation: Raising Awareness of Waste Services Changes**

A presentation was given by the Amenity Services Manager relating to changes to bin collections from November 2018.

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