MINUTES of MEETING of BUTE AND COWAL AREA COMMITTEE held in the EAGLESHAM HOUSE, ROTHESAY on TUESDAY, 5 MAY 2009

Present: Councillor B Marshall (Chair)

Councillor A MacAlister Councillor L Scoullar
Councillor R Macintyre Councillor R Simon
Councillor A McNaughton Councillor J McQueen Councillor J R Walsh

Attending: Shirley MacLeod, Area Corporate Services Manager

David Eaglesham, Area Team Leader, Development Control

Paul Farrell, Technical Officer Caroline Sheen, Estates Surveyor John Duncan, Area Children's Manager

Martin Turnbull, Area Community Learning and Regeneration

Manager

Janet McKellar, HELP Project

Brian Chennell, Dunoon & Cowal Business Association

Chief Inspector Mosley, Strathclyde Police Inspector Richmond, Strathclyde Police

1. APOLOGIES

None

The Chairman ruled, and the Committee agreed, in terms of Standing Order 3.2.2 that reports by the Technical Officer and Estates Surveyor in regard to the Let of Dunoon Pier Car Park for Fairground and St Mun's Primary School Car Park to be dealt with at item 10 (a) and 10 (d) of the agenda, be taken as matters of urgency due to the need for these matters to be determined before the next scheduled meeting of the Area Committee.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor A McNaughton declared a non financial interest in item 6a Colintraive Village Hall by reason of being a member of the hall committee.

Councillor J McQueen declared a non financial interest in item 10d by reason of personal knowledge of the applicant.

3. MINUTES

(a) MINUTE OF AREA COMMITTEE OF 7TH APRIL 2009

The Minute of the Area Committee of 7th April 2009 was approved as a correct record.

4. PRESENTATION BY JANET MCKELLAR ON THE HELP PROJECT

Members heard an informative presentation from Janet McKellar on the HELP project.

The Chair thanked Janet for an excellent presentation and expressed the Committee's appreciation on the work of the project.

5. PRESENTATION BY BRIAN CHENNELL ON DUNOON AND COWAL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Members heard an informative presentation from Brian Chennell on the Dunoon & Cowal Business Association.

Brian Chennell asked that a partnership between the Business Association and the Council be formed to enable the Association to apply for Regeneration Funding, the closing date for entries will be the 5th June 2009.

Councillor Marshall thanked Brian for his presentation and asked him to put the request for a partnership in writing to the Council.

6. COMMUNITY SERVICES

(a) EDUCATION AND LEISURE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Councillor A McNaughton, having declared a non financial interest in this item, left the meeting and took no part in the discussion of Colintraive Village Hall.

The Committee considered and determined Education and Leisure Development Grants as follows:-

Education Development Gra Bute Youth Project	ents Project Costs £42,000	£6,000
Dunoon and Cowal Youth Proj	ject £25,722	£12,500
Leisure Development Grants	3	
Bute Agricultural Society	£11,135	£1,00
		(underwrite)
Bute Bowling Association	£2,489.23	£800
Bute Highland Dance Festival	£3,350	£500
Bute Wheelers	£1,230	£430
Cowal Community Ev	vents £6,000	£4,000
Association		
Colintraive Village Hall	£860	Nil
Cowal Europe	£14,000	£1,000
Cowal Fiddle Workshop	£6,046	£500
Cowal Pipe Band	£17,933	£1,640
Dunoon Argyll Bowling Clun	£12,410	£2,000
Girl Guiding Argyll	£4,735.80	£500
Isle of Bute Jazz Festival	£16,450	Nil
Kirn Gala	£4,299	£2,000

It was further agreed that £1,200 from Education Development Grants fund Summer Playscheme activities in Bute and Cowal.

(Reference: Report by the Area Community Learning and Regeneration Manager dated April 2008 – submitted)

7. CORPORATE SERVICES

(a) VERBAL REPORT ON DUNOON - GOUROCK FERRY SERVICE

The Committee heard a verbal update from the Area Corporate Services Manager on the Gourock/Dunoon Ferry Service.

Decision

The Committee noted the detail provided on this matter.

8. PUBLIC AND COUNCILLOR QUESTION TIME

Brian Chennell asked for funding for a poly-tunnel at Dunoon Grammar School and it was agreed that Councillor I Strong would investigate this matter and respond to Mr Chennell.

Brian Chennell spoke on the litter situation in area around the Grammar School and it was agreed this would be discussed at the Business Day.

Councillor Macintyre spoke on the lineage in Rothesay and it was agreed Paul Farrell would organise this urgently.

Councillor McNaughton expressed his concern over the amount of vehicle trailers being left in lay-bys and it was agreed Chief Inspector Mosley would progress this issue in consultation with the road policing unit. Councillor Walsh advised that the Council would look into the progression of byelaws to deal with this and other issues.

9. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

(a) FIRTH OF CLYDE MARINE SPATIAL PLAN CONSULTATION

The Committee heard from the Area Corporate Services Manager on the Members observations regarding the Draft Firth of Clyde Marine Spatial Plan.

Decision

Members noted the observations made and agreed that these would be forwarded for incorporation into the Council's final response on the Plan.

(Reference: Report by the Area Corporate Services Manager dated 24th April 2009 – submitted)

(b) VARIATION OF CONDITION 08/00242/VARCON, SEAVISION (SCOTLAND) LTD, HOLY LOCH MARINA, SANDBANK

Decision

The variation of condition be approved subject to the conditions contained in the report by the Head of Planning Services.

(Reference: Report by the Head of Planning Services dated 27th & 28th April 2009 – submitted & tabled)

(C) PLANNING APPLICATION 09/00180/DET, SEAVISION (SCOTLAND) LTD, CLYDE COTTAGES, COLINTON, READING ROOMS & HOLY LOCH MARINA, RANKINS BRAE, SANDBANK

Decision

The planning application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the report by the Head of Planning Services.

(Reference: Report by the Head of Planning Services dated 27th April 2009 – submitted)

(d) DELEGATED DEVELOPMENT CONTROL AND BUILDING CONTROL DECISIONS

The Committee noted Delegated Development Control and Building Control Decisions made since the last meeting.

10. EXEMPT ITEMS

(a) LET OF DUNOON PIER CAR PARK FOR FAIRGROUND

Members heard from the Technical Officer, Operational Services on the let of Dunoon Pier Car Park for the Fairground.

Decision

The Committee agreed to the recommendations in the report and asked that there be no operation of the Fairground after 7pm on the Thursday night.

(Reference: Report by the Network Manager East – tabled)

(b) LEASE OF SITE AT DUNOON STADIUM

Members heard from the Estates Surveyor on the lease of the site at Dunoon Stadium.

Decision

The Committee:-

- 1. Agreed to the recommendations in the report.
- 2. Referred the lease of the site to the Executive Committee for approval.

(Reference: Report by the Director of Corporate Services dated 16th April 2009 – submitted)

(c) SHOP PREMISES, 31 ARGYLL STREET, DUNOON

Members heard from the Estates Surveyor on the lease of shop premises at 31 Argyll Street, Dunoon.

Decision

The Committee agreed to the recommendations in the report.

(Reference: Report by the Director of Corporate Services dated 23rd April 2009 – submitted)

(d) ST MUN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL CAR PARK, DUNOON

Councillor J McQueen, having declared a non financial interest in this item, left the meeting and took no part in the discussion of this matter.

Members heard from the Estates Surveyor on the St Mun's Primary School Car Park, Dunoon.

Decision

The Committee agreed to the recommendations in the report.

(Reference: Report by the Director of Corporate Services dated 29th April 2009 – tabled)

(e) **ENFORCEMENT REPORTS**

Decision

Enforcement Reports:-

09/00172/ENFHSH – no further action 07/00309/ENFBOC – no further action