

**MINUTES of MEETING of HELENSBURGH & LOMOND AREA COMMITTEE held in the
PILLAR HALL, VICTORIA HALLS, HELENSBURGH
on TUESDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER 2015**

Present: Councillor Gary Mulvaney (Chair)

Councillor Maurice Corry	Councillor Aileen Morton
Councillor Vivien Dance	Councillor Ellen Morton
Councillor David Kinniburgh	Councillor James Robb
Councillor Robert G MacIntyre	Councillor Richard Trail

Attending: Shona Barton – Area Committee Manager
Rona Gold – Community Planning Manager
Helen Ford – CHORD Project Manager
Andrew Collins – Regeneration Project Manager

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were intimated from:-

Councillor George Freeman

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Robert G MacIntyre declared a non-financial interest in relation to the Third Sector Grant awarded to Rosneath Highland Games, he left the room and took no part in the discussion of this issue which is dealt with at Item 3 of this Minute.

3. THIRD SECTOR GRANTS - SECOND TRANCHE

The Committee considered a report which provided an update on the Third Sector Grants awarded to the Helensburgh Highland Games Committee and the Rosneath Highland Games Committee in the first round of funding in April 2015.

Councillor Trail entered the meeting at 9.15a.m.

Motion

- 1.1 That the Area Committee note the conditions detailed in the Council's contract for Third Sector Grants in that "unspent funds" for the purpose stated in the application are returned to the Council.
- 1.2 That the Area Committee recommends that the Policy and Resources Committee:-
 - 1.2.1 Recognise the exceptional weather circumstances that resulted in the cancellation of the entire Helensburgh Highland Games and partial abandonment of the Rosneath Highland Games and agrees:-

- (a) that grant recipients provide evidence to the council of the costs incurred due to losses, to enable the amount of “unspent grant” to be determined in each case;
- (b) a variation to the contract with both community organisations to allow them to carry forward these ‘unspent grant’ funds to 2016/17;
- (c) the organisation provide an assurance that the event is planned to take place in 2016/17. In the event that the organisation cannot provide an assurance, that ‘unspent grant’ is refunded.

1.2.2 Allow the Area Committee to carry forward any Third Sector Grant balances in excess of the 10% of the total available.

- 1.3 That officers provide a report in December on the final determined sum of ‘unspent grants’ carried forward by both organisations.
- 1.4 That both organisations are eligible to apply for a grant for 2016/17, but any ‘unspent grant’ brought forward from 2015/16 (in 1.21a above) would be deducted from the eligible amount available in 2016/17 for those organisations.

Moved by Councillor Mulvaney seconded by Councillor Ellen Morton.

Amendment

The Area Committee recommends to the Policy and Resources Committee that Helensburgh and Rosneath Highland Games Committees are requested to return the balance of their grants awarded over 50% of the costs incurred with their events as evidenced to the Council.

Moved by Councillor Robb seconded by Councillor Dance.

Decision

On a show of hands vote, the Motion was carried by 5 votes to 3 and the Committee resolved accordingly.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director – Community Services, dated 8 September 2015, submitted).

Councillor Macintyre re-entered the meeting at conclusion of the previous item of business.

The Committee resolved in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the public for the following item of business on the grounds that it was likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 8 and 9 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

4. FORMER MARINERS SITE, HELENSBURGH PIERHEAD

The Committee considered a report which related to a land swap on the former Mariners site, Helensburgh Pierhead.

Motion

That the Area Committee agree the recommendations as outlined in the report.

Moved by Councillor Mulvaney and seconded by Councillor Aileen Morton.

Amendment

Councillor Dance moved an amendment which was seconded by Councillor Robb.

Decision:

On a show of hands vote, the Motion was carried by 5 votes to 4 and the Committee resolved accordingly.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director – Development and Infrastructure Services, dated 8 September 2015, submitted).