

**RURAL PANEL (SPECIAL).**

Minutes of special meeting in County Buildings, Wellington Square, Ayr,  
on 12th August 2010 at 10.00 a.m.

Present: Councillors Alec Oattes (Chair), Andy Campbell, Hywel Davies, Ann Galbraith, Sandra Goldie and Mairi Low.

Apology: Councillor Brian Connolly.

Attending: M. Newall, Head of Planning and Enterprise; J. Thorburn, Enterprise Officer; G. Collins, Community Engagement Manager T. Simpson, Principal Accountant; and A. Gibson, Committee Administrative Officer.

**1. Applications for Financial Support.**

There was submitted a report (issued) of 26th July 2010 by the Depute Chief Executive and Executive Director – Development and Environment advising that rural grant applications had been submitted by various organisations for consideration.

Following questions from Members regarding the proposed grant awards, the Enterprise Officer, Principal Accountant and the Chair responded accordingly.

**Decided:** to award grants as follows:-

<b><u>Organisation</u></b>	<b><u>Summary of Application</u></b>	<b><u>Panel Decision</u></b>
Tarbolton Tenants' and Residents' Association	Grant to refurbish the children's play area at Wison Park, Tarbolton	To agree that, although the Panel supported this application, there was insufficient funds remaining in the Rural Panel Budget for 2010/11 to fund it, and consequently the request be remitted to the Council's General Purposes Panel for their consideration, under the Voluntary Organisations Grants Scheme;
Carrick Rural Arts Group (CRAG)	Grant to part fund the Carrick Festival of Light Lore and Legend 2010	£2,500, subject to the other funding being in place from Carrick Futures, Awards for All and the Scottish Arts Council; and

Carrick Community Council's Forum (CCCF)	Grant to provide funding towards an audit of tourism related events and facilities in the Carrick area	£3,000.
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The Panel further noted that, having made the above grant awards, £630 remained in the Rural Panel Budget for 2010/11.

The meeting ended at 10. 45 a.m.