

**GENERAL PURPOSES PANEL.**

Minutes of meeting in County Buildings, Wellington Square, Ayr,  
on 11th March 2015 at 10.00 a.m.

Present: Councillors Mary Kilpatrick (Chair), John Allan, Ian Cavana, Allan Dorans, Ann Galbraith and Sandra Goldie.

Attending: D. Knight, Co-ordinator (Democratic Support); J. MacMillan, Community Development Manager; and J. Brown, Projects and Funding Officer.

**1. Declaration of Interest.**

There were no declarations of interest from Members of the Panel in terms of Council Standing Order No. 17 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

**2. Minutes of previous meetings.**

**Decided:** to approve the Minutes of the previous meetings of 14th January 2015 (issued) ([link attached](#)).and 12th February 2015 (Special) (issued) ([link attached](#)).

**3. Conferences/Seminars**

There was submitted a list (issued) of March 2015 ([link attached](#)) detailing the attendance of Members at conferences/seminars which had been approved under delegated powers.

**Decided:** to note the attendance of Members at conferences/seminars.

**4. Variation in order of business.**

In terms of Council Standing Order No. 13.2 for Meetings, the Panel agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

**5. Application for Financial Assistance from South Ayrshire Access Panel.**

Reference was made to the Minutes of 12th February 2015 (Special) (Page 1, paragraph 2) when it had been agreed to continue consideration of this application to the next meeting of this Panel scheduled to be held on 11th March 2015 to allow a representative of the South Ayrshire Access Panel to attend.

Mr. Michael Dunlop, Chair, Michael Ankers, Vice-Chair and Helen Ankers, Treasurer of South Ayrshire Access Panel were in attendance for this item.

The Chair of the South Ayrshire Access Panel gave a brief outline of the work that was undertaken and following a number of questions from Elected Members which were clarified by the Access Panel, and the Panel

**Decided:** to request the representatives to withdraw from the meeting to allow the Panel to consider the application.

**4. Applications for Financial Assistance from Voluntary Organisations.**

There was submitted a report (issued) of 26th February 2015 ([link attached](#)) by the Head of Communities outlining applications for financial assistance from voluntary organisations.

**Decided:**

- (1) to approve funding for projects in 2014/15 for Local Organisations, Ayrshire Organisations, an application deferred from the Panel meetings on 14th January and 12th February 2015, National Organisations, Application within delegated limit, as detailed in Appendices 1, 2, 3 and 4 of these Minutes; and
- (2) to note the applications approved under delegated powers as detailed in Appendix 6 of the report.

**6. Applications for Financial Support – Football Clubs/Tournament Costs.**

There was submitted a report (issued) of 26th February 2015 ([link attached](#)) by the Head of Communities updating the Panel on applications for financial assistance from Football Clubs in respect of tournament costs.

**Decided:** to agree to continue with the current arrangements regarding football applications pending the Review of Grants.

The meeting ended at 11.15 a.m.

**Local Organisations**

| <b><u>Organisation</u></b>      | <b><u>Summary</u></b>   | <b><u>Amount</u></b>  |
|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Troon and Portland Bowling Club | Grant towards the cost of demolishing and rebuilding of a wall. | To refuse the request |

**At this point in the meeting Councillor Dorans declared an interest in the following item as he was a member of Fort, Seafield and Wallacetown Community Council and withdraw from the meeting.**

|  |   |        |
|--|---|--------|
| Fort, Seafield and Wallacetown Community Council | Grant towards the costs of promoting and running of a series of organ concerts between April and November 2015. | £2,325 |
|--|---|--------|

**Councillor Dorans re-joined the meeting at this point.**

|                                    |  |      |
|------------------------------------|--|------|
| Rotary Club of Ayr Benevolent Fund | Grant towards the purchase of bottles containing key emergency information kept in recipient fridges allowing emergency services to gain timeous information in the case of an emergency for vulnerable , isolated people. . | £500 |
|------------------------------------|--|------|

**Deferred Application from 12th February 2015**

The representatives of the South Ayrshire Access Panel were re-admitted to the meeting and advised of the Panel's decision as detailed below:

| <b><u>Organisation</u></b>  | <b><u>Summary</u></b>   | <b><u>Amount</u></b> |
|-----------------------------|---|----------------------|
| South Ayrshire Access Panel | Grant towards the costs of meeting the annual running costs of the Panel to continue their work representing the needs of disabled individuals within South Ayrshire Council, taxi and private hire firms, Licensing and Equality and Diversity Forums. | £500                 |

The representatives of the South Ayrshire Access Panel withdraw from the meeting at this point.

**Ayrshire Organisations**

| <b><u>Organisation</u></b> | <b><u>Summary</u></b>  | <b><u>Amount</u></b>                     |
|----------------------------|--|--|
| Ayr Rivers' Trust          | Grant towards the costs to control non-native plant species across Ayrshire .  | £4,690 to be met from the 2015/16 Budget |
| Dalmellington Band         | Grant towards the costs of running the twenty first Land O' Burns Event on 20th June 2015  | £4,800 to be met from the 2015/16 Budget |
| Doors Open Day Ayrshire    | Grant towards the costs of promotional material and operational costs of running the Open Doors Day on 5th and 6th September 2014 across Ayrshire. | £2,000                                   |

**Applications within Delegated Limit**

| <b><u>Organisation</u></b>        | <b><u>Summary</u></b>  | <b><u>Amount</u></b> |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| Kincaidston Action Group          | Grant towards the provision of mature keep-fit classes.                      | £500                 |
| West of Scotland Ice Skating Club | Grant towards the costs of the team participating in Blackpool IJS Festival. | £500                 |