

THE FIFE COUNCIL - LEVENMOUTH AREA COMMITTEE – BLENDED MEETING

Committee Room 2, Fife House, North Street, Glenrothes

4 October, 2023

9.35 am – 10.40 am

PRESENT: Councillors Colin Davidson (Convener) Tom Adams, David Alexander, Ken Caldwell, Eugene Clarke, John O'Brien and Alistair Suttie.

ATTENDING: David Paterson, Community Manager (Levenmouth Area), Barry Clark Community Education Worker (Levenmouth) and Jen Watt, Local Development Officer, Community Development Team (Levenmouth), Communities and Neighbourhoods Service; Margaret Collins, Team Manager, Criminal Justice Service; and Kerry Elliott, and Michelle Hyslop, Committee Officers, Committee Services, Legal and Democratic Services.

ALSO ATTENDING: David Paton, Project Manager, Kingdom Off Road Motorcycle Club.

90. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were submitted in terms of Standing Order No. 22.

91. MINUTE

The committee considered the minute of the Levenmouth Area Committee of 30 August 2023.

Decision

The committee agreed to approve the minute.

92. SUPPORTING THE LEVENMOUTH LOCAL COMMUNITY PLAN – JUSTICE SOCIAL WORK (JSW) WELFARE SUPPORT WORKER

The committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods seeking agreement to fund £75,000 to employ a specialist welfare support worker within the Levenmouth Justice Social Work (JSW) Team as a test of change proposal, to be funded from the Local Community Planning Budget (LCPB) Anti-Poverty fund.

Decision

The committee: -

- (1) agreed to fund the specialist welfare support worker position from the LCPB Anti-poverty fund for a two-year period;
- (2) noted that the funding would be split accordingly over the financial years - 2023/24 - £15,625, 2024/25 - £37,000 and 2025/26 - £21,875; and

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- (3) requested a report be brought back to committee in May 2024 to provide members with an update on the progress of the specialist welfare support worker position.

93. **SUPPORTING THE LEVENMOUTH LOCAL PLAN – THROUGH THE GEARS - LCPB FUNDING REQUEST**

The committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods seeking agreement to contribute £13,715 from the Local Community Planning Budget (LCPB) Anti-poverty fund to support the Through the Gears project in the Levenmouth Area.

Decision

The committee: -

- (1) agreed to contribute £13,715 from the LCPB Anti-poverty budget to fund the Through the Gears Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) project approach;
- (2) noted that the project would be supported by the Improving Levenmouth Together Partnership and the provision would be provided by the Kingdom off Road Motorcycle Club (KORMC) and the Community Learning and Development team; and
- (3) requested that a video presentation on the programme be brought back to committee in May 2024.

94. **SUPPORTING THE LEVENMOUTH LOCAL COMMUNITY PLAN – STAY ACTIVE PROGRAMME – LOCAL COMMUNITY PLANNING BUDGET ANTI-POVERTY**

The committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods seeking agreement to contribute £19,954.40 from the Levenmouth Local Community Planning (LCPB) Anti-poverty fund to support the proposal for a Stay Active programme in the Levenmouth Area.

Decision

The committee agreed to contribute £19,954.40 from the Levenmouth LCPB Anti-poverty fund to support the Stay Active programme in the Levenmouth Area.

95. **PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS**

The committee considered a report by the Head of Property Services advising members of action taken using the List of Officer Powers in relation to property transactions.

Decision

The committee noted the content of the report.

96. LEVENMOUTH AREA COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The committee considered a report by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Services) relating to the future workplan for the Levenmouth Area Committee.

Decision

The committee noted the content of the Levenmouth Area Committee Forward Work Programme.