

Kirkcaldy Area Sports Council

Committee Meeting held on

Monday 19 March 2007

Adam Smith College, Kirkcaldy

1. Present: Marilyn Livingstone (Chair), George MacDonald (Secretary), Alistair Robertson (Treasurer), Jen Small (Fife Council), Graeme Scoon, Mark Bramwell, Ken White, Gary Innes, Jenny Anderson, Helen Kuzyszyn

2. Apologies: Dave Paton, Darren Hope, Jennifer Collins, Bill Brand

3. Marilyn Livingstone: Marilyn reported on the situation of Kirkcaldy becoming a regeneration area and of the Scottish Executive prioritising cities and would now also look at major investment in the town. Marilyn reported on the partnership of Kirkcaldy Renaissance Group, Scottish Enterprise Fife and Adam Smith College.

3. Fife Council Report: Jen gave a short resume of what her report would consist of to the full KASC Group. This to include; Paper on Sports Facilities in Fife approved by Committee (Elected Members), Refurbishment of Carnegie, Replace like for like at Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool and Fife Institute, Trusts to take over Sports & Leisure Facilities. There is to be a management review of Sports Facilities and that Kirkcaldy now falls in with Bowhill and Glenrothes

4. Secretary Report: George reported that he now has a database of 69 members. Affiliation of the KASC is required to SALSC. George had received membership form from Graeme, George and Graeme to work on this for next meeting. Affiliations from interested clubs to be looked at.

4. Treasurer's Report: Alistair reported that the bank account is now open. George indicated that he had receipts for stamps he had purchased for mailings to members. This would be paid back to George once the Sports Council had some money. The issue of money held by a previous Sports Council was once again raised. The meeting confirmed that Jen Small was dealing with this through Fife Council.

6. Correspondence: George received an email from David Arnott, Secretary of SALSC inviting two members to their Executive Committee Meeting to be held on Tuesday 24 April 2007. It was agreed that Marilyn and Mark would attend. Email from Darren Hope indicating his difficulty in attending meetings on a Monday night. Agreed to look at holding meetings on a different evening.

The Committee then proceeded to the Full Public Meeting of the Sports Council

Discussion followed on the following subjects;

Facility Provision, Facility Pricing and the difference in price at different facilities for the same sport. Advice and Support.

Comments from the floor included: - Review of anomalies in charging being looked at by Community Services. Kingdom Park and the competition of having the same facilities there to that in the town. How do we balance local facilities with bigger ones? What do we

need in each locality and, do Community Services know what the most played/participated sport is? How do we promote other sports that are not so much played?

In addition to the above discussions, questions and comments from the floor were as follows;

Tom Phillips asked if the Sports Council would be looking into what the available Sports Facilities in Fife are mostly used for and that Fife Council should have statistical information on this.

Councillor Ron Edwards commented that there will be youngsters who are missing from those statistics and who need to be covered. There are those who hang around streets and there may be a need for Coaches/Youth Workers to cover this aspect. Ron added that there seems to be a 'twilight period' between 3pm & 6pm and there is a need for suggestions to cater for this.

Helen Kuzyszyn commented that she sees a clear role for Adam Smith College by way of training coaches in the lesser known sports and promoting sport through leader's courses in these sports. There is a big role for Adam Smith College and Schools

Gary Innes stated that disabled kids need to be involved and encouraged away from sitting on computers in the house, there is no need for superstardom, just to do their best.

Wilf Parkinson commented that there is also a problem with the involvement of the less than able sports boys and girls and asked if there were funds available to organise events that will ensure inclusion in, not just for the competition but to ensure of the 'taking part'.

As part of the Treasurers Report it was agreed that Auditors be elected from the Full Meeting. Agreed that Ron Edwards be elected. One other Auditor to be elected at next Full Meeting

Date of next meeting to be confirmed.