

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE: Corporate Policy & Performance
DATE: 4 March 2010
DIRECTOR: Stewart Carruth
TITLE OF REPORT: Mastrick/Sheddocksley Community Council
REPORT NUMBER: CG/10/034

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

A request has been received from Mastrick/Sheddocksley Community Council to change their name to Mastrick, Sheddocksley and Summerhill Community Council.

This report seeks approval in principle to alter the City Council's Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils to the effect that the name Mastrick/Sheddocksley Community Council be changed to Mastrick, Sheddocksley and Summerhill Community Council.

2. RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is requested to approve in principle the alteration of the present Scheme to the effect that the name Mastrick/Sheddocksley Community Council be changed to Mastrick, Sheddocksley and Summerhill Community Council.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost of advertising the proposed change in the local Press can be met from the existing approved budget, therefore there would be no additional implications for the Council.

4. SERVICE AND COMMUNITY IMPACT

This report takes into consideration aspects of the Council's key objectives, founding principles and statement of policy relating to strengthening local democracy and community involvement. The Council is actively working to develop the working relationship between the City Council and Community Councils through, for example, the Community Council protocol, meetings with Community Councils, their involvement in the Civic Forum and the review of Community Council support.

5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There are no other direct implications arising from this report.

6. REPORT

6.1 Proposed Change of Name

The Community Council has requested to change their name to Mastrick, Sheddocksley and Summerhill Community Council to more accurately reflect that the Summerhill area is included as part of the Mastrick/Sheddocksley Community Council area.

6.2 Implementation

In terms of Section 53 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, a decision of a local authority to review their Community Councils Scheme shall be by resolution passed by not less than two-thirds of the members voting thereon at a local authority meeting specially convened for the purpose with notice of the object.

Should the Corporate Policy and Performance Committee approve the proposal to amend the Scheme, it will be necessary for the proposal thereafter to be considered at a special meeting of the Council.

After consideration by the Council, the proposal requires to be advertised in the local Press inviting any representations from members of the public. Thereafter the proposal, together with any representations received, require to be considered by the Corporate Policy and Performance Committee and finally the Council.

7. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS

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8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Aberdeen City Council – Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils.
Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended.