

7 ESTABLISHMENT OF KIRKTON PARTNERSHIP AS A RECOGNISED NEIGHBOURHOOD REPRESENTATIVE STRUCTURE (AN220-2006)

Reference is made to Article II of the minute of meeting of this Committee whereby Report No 725-2002 was approved. The Committee is now asked to approve Kirkton Partnership as a Neighbourhood Representative Structure with the same level of recognitions applied to Community Councils.

The application submitted on behalf of the Kirkton Partnership satisfies the following criteria set out in Report 725-2002.

- Kirkton Partnership is constituted and has named office-bearers
- The geographic area covered by Kirkton Partnership is defined by the area bounded by Kingsway to the south, Strathmartine Road to the west, the Dundee/Angus boundary to the north and Harestane Road/Old Glamis Road to the east incorporating properties in Melfort Place and Kilmore Terrace.
- Membership of Kirkton Partnership is open to all persons aged 16 years and over living in the stated area. Residents under this age can be represented at the Partnership, but will not have voting rights.
- Kirkton Partnership has an Executive Committee of 11 members. They were elected at the Kirkton Partnership's Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, 14th March, 2006. All members will serve their office until the next AGM which will be held no later than 15 months from 14th March, 2006.
- Kirkton Partnership has a community engagement strategy that identifies a number of methods for seeking the views of the local community and involving constituents in the work of the organisation.
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- Kirkton Partnership's Constitution commits the organisation to operate in a way which is consistent with accepted standards of public behaviour and the promotion of Equal Opportunities.
- Kirkton Partnership will comply with the requirements of Accounts Commission/COSLA Code of Guidance on "Following the Public Pound".

In satisfying the formal criteria for recognition as a Neighbourhood Representative Structure, Kirkton Partnerships will qualify for access to grant aid, support, information and consultation from all Council departments, along similar lines to that afforded to properly constituted and recognised Community Councils.