

Monday, 18 May 2020

**Dear Councillor** 

# **Clydesdale Area Committee**

The Members listed below are requested to attend a meeting of the above Committee to be held as follows:-

Date: Tuesday, 26 May 2020

Time: 14:00

Venue: St Athanasius Community Hall, 21 Mount Stewart Street, Carluke,

The business to be considered at the meeting is listed overleaf.

Yours sincerely

Cleland Sneddon Chief Executive

#### **Members**

Richard Lockhart (Chair), Mark Horsham (Depute Chair), Alex Allison, Poppy Corbett, George Greenshields, Lynsey Hamilton, Eric Holford, Eileen Logan, Julia Marrs, Ian McAllan, Catherine McClymont, Colin McGavigan, David Shearer

#### **BUSINESS**

# 1 Declaration of Interests

# 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

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Minutes of meeting of the Clydesdale Area Committee held on 10 March 2020 submitted for approval as a correct record. (Copy attached)

# Item(s) for Decision

# 3 Playscheme Grant Applications 2020/2021

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Report dated 22 April 2020 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached)

# 4 Community Grant Applications

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Report dated 11 May 2020 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached)

# **Urgent Business**

## 5 Urgent Business

Any other items of business which the Chair decides are urgent.

# For further information, please contact:-

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# **CLYDESDALE AREA COMMITTEE**

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Minutes of meeting held in the Jerviswood Room, Lanark Memorial Hall, 21 St Leonard Street, Lanark on 10 March 2020

#### Chair:

Councillor Richard Lockhart

#### **Councillors Present:**

Councillor Alex Allison, Councillor Lynsey Hamilton, Councillor Eric Holford, Councillor Mark Horsham (Depute), Councillor Eileen Logan, Councillor Julia Marrs, Councillor Catherine McClymont, Councillor Colin McGavigan, Councillor David Shearer

#### **Councillors' Apologies:**

Councillor Poppy Corbett, Councillor George Greenshields, Councillor Ian McAllan

#### Attending:

#### **Education Resources**

F Crook, Headteacher, Lanark Primary School and Nursery Class; A Meechan, Acting Headteacher, Rigside Primary School; E Young, Quality Link Officer

# **Finance and Corporate Resources**

C Lyon, Administration Officer

#### Also Attending:

## **South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture Limited**

V Kennedy, Recreation Manager; S Morrice, Assistant Venue Manager

#### 1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

# 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Clydesdale Area Committee held on 17 December 2019 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

**The Committee decided:** that the minutes be approved as a correct record.

# 3 Education Scotland Report – Lanark Primary School and Nursery Class

A report dated 18 February 2020 by the Executive Director (Education Resources) was submitted on the outcome of the inspection of Lanark Primary School and Nursery Class made by Education Scotland.

The inspection had taken place in November 2019 as part of a national sample of secondary education and the inspection letter reporting on the findings had been published on 11 February 2020.

A number of particular strengths of the school had been identified in the inspection letter. The areas for improvement, agreed with the school and education authority, had been incorporated into the school's improvement plan and parents would be informed of progress. Education Scotland had intimated that they would make no further visits in connection with this inspection.

F Crook, Headteacher and E Young, Quality Link Officer, having spoken on key aspects of the report and responded to members' questions, were congratulated on the positive inspection report.

**The Committee decided:** that the report be noted.

# 4 Education Scotland Report – Rigside Primary School

A report dated 18 February 2020 by the Executive Director (Education Resources) was submitted on the outcome of the inspection of Rigside Primary School made by Education Scotland.

The inspection had taken place in September 2019 as part of a national sample of secondary education and the inspection letter reporting on the findings had been published on 14 January 2020.

A number of particular strengths of the school had been identified in the inspection letter. The areas for improvement, agreed with the school and education authority, had been incorporated into the school's improvement plan and parents would be informed of progress. Education Scotland had intimated that they would make no further visits in connection with this inspection.

A Meechan, Acting Headteacher and E Young, Quality Link Officer, having spoken on key aspects of the report and responded to members' questions, were congratulated on the positive inspection report.

**The Committee decided:** that the report be noted.

Councillor McGavigan entered the meeting during this item of business

## 5 Leisure and Culture Update for 2020

V Kennedy, Recreation Manager and S Morrice, Assistant Venue Manager gave a joint presentation on:-

- venues and facilities within the Clydesdale area
- the work of the Health Team
- Physical Activity Prescription
- Active Schools
- activities available in the area
- members and visitors to venues and facilities
- local partners
- projects that had taken place or were planned

V Kennedy and S Morrice, having responded to members' questions, were thanked for their informative presentation.

Councillor McGavigan requested that the officer responsible for the Physical Activity Prescription be invited to give a presentation to a future meeting of this Committee.

#### The Committee decided:

(1) that the presentation be noted; and

(2) that the officer responsible for the Physical Activity Prescription be invited to give a presentation to a future meeting of this Committee.

# 6 Community Grant Applications

A report dated 25 February 2020 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on applications for community grant.

The Committee decided: that community grants be awarded as follows:-

(a) Applicant: Carnwath Primary School and Nursery Parent Council (CL/11/19)

Purpose of Grant: Equipment

Amount Awarded: £470

(b) Applicant: Waterside WRI, Lesmahagow (CL/42/19)

Purpose of Grant: Outing Amount Awarded: £200

(c) Applicant: Crossford Playgroup (CL/68/19)

Purpose of Grant: Equipment Amount Awarded: £472

(d) Applicant: Castlehill Bowling Club, Carluke (CL/75/19)

Purpose of Grant: Equipment Amount Awarded: £160

(e) Applicant: Hawksland WRI, Lesmahagow (CL/76/19)

Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees

Amount Awarded: £250

(f) Applicant: Biggar Music Club (CL/77/19)

Purpose of Grant: Materials, administration and publicity costs

Amount Awarded: £300

(g) Applicant: The Probus Club of Biggar (CL/79/19)

Purpose of Grant: Outing Amount Awarded: £200

(h) Applicant: Friends of Smiddy Court, Lanark (CL/80/19)

Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees

Amount Awarded: £250

(i) Applicant: Forth Gateway Project Group (CL/81/19)

Purpose of Grant: Entrance fees

Amount Awarded: £200

(j) Applicant: Kirkmuirhill and Blackwood Men's Shed, Kirkmuirhill (CL/82/19)

Purpose of Grant: Start-up costs

Amount Awarded: £250

(k) Applicant: Music in Lanark (CL/83/19)

Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs

Amount Awarded: £500

Applicant: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded: Lanark and District U3A (CL/84/19) Outing and entrance fees £250 (l)

Urgent Business
There were no items of urgent business.



Report

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Report to: Clydesdale Area Committee

Date of Meeting: 26 May 2020

Report by: Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject: Playscheme Grant Applications 2020/2021

# 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

◆ request approval for the allocation of the following playscheme grants in the Clydesdale area for 2020/2021

# 2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
  - (1) that the following playscheme grants be awarded:-

(a) Applicant: Stanmore House Playscheme, Lanark

(PS/CL/1/20)

Amount Awarded: £600

(b) Applicant: Lanark Universal Connections (PS/CL/2/20)

Amount Awarded: £600

## 3. Background

- 3.1. The Council's community grants scheme includes provision for funding for playschemes operating over the Summer, October and Easter school holiday periods. Applications have been invited from individual playschemes for 2020/2021.
- 3.2. The recommendations reflect the Council's decision to allocate grant funding on the following basis:-
  - ♦ £600 to playschemes that operate over the Summer, October and Easter periods
  - ♦ £400 for summer period only
  - ◆ £100 for each of the October and Easter periods
- 3.3. Playschemes provide activities for children during school holidays and the Council provides financial support for running costs. Due to the current uncertainty in relation to COVID-19 and the impact that this has had on the ability of playschemes to operate over the summer period, contact has been made with each playscheme organiser.

- 3.4. Each playscheme organiser has intimated that, subject to further Government guidance, it is their intention to operate over the summer period. In terms of the award of grant for the October 2020 and Easter 2021 school holiday periods, it is recommended that £100 be awarded for each period.
- 3.5. The Council also makes financial provision for individual playschemes to receive, as appropriate, travel passes from Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT).

# 4. Employee Implications

4.1. None.

# 5. Financial Implications

- 5.1. The overall total approved by the Executive Committee to support Playschemes and Community Grants in the Clydesdale area in 2020/2021 was £25,750. The proposed amount of £1,200 recommended for a playscheme grant in this report for approval will be met from the Area Committee's playscheme and community grant budget, leaving £24,550 to administer community grants for the remainder of 2020/2021.
- 5.2. Should playschemes be unable to operate over the summer period, the grant awarded for this purpose will require to be returned.

# 6. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

6.1. There are no implications for climate change, sustainability or the environment in terms of the information contained in this report.

## 7. Other Implications

7.1. The risk associated with grant support is that the resources provided are not utilised for the purposes for which they were intended. This is mitigated by information received from the application form, the sign off of a Conditions of Grant form and by the implementation of an audit process.

#### 8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 8.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy and therefore no impact assessment is required.
- 8.2. All the necessary consultation with each group has taken place. Appropriate consultation has also taken place with other Council Resources.

# **Paul Manning**

**Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)** 

22 April 2020

## Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

• Improve the quality of life of everyone in South Lanarkshire.

#### **Previous References**

♦ South Lanarkshire Council – 26 February 2020

# **List of Background Papers**

♦ Individual playscheme grant application forms

# **Contact for Further Information**

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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Report

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Report to: Clydesdale Area Committee

Date of Meeting: 26 May 2020

Report by: Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject: Community Grant Applications

# 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-
  - request approval for the allocation of community grants to 8 community groups in the Clydesdale Area Committee area from the 2020/2021 community grant budget

# 2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
  - (1) that community grants be awarded as follows:-

(a) Applicant: Cairngryffe Everyoung Club, Lanark (CL/1/20)

Amount Requested: £250

Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees

Amount Awarded: £250

(b) Applicant: Kirkfieldbank Homing and Sporting Club, Lanark

(CL/2/20)

Amount Requested: £250

Purpose of Grant: Equipment, administration and publicity costs

Amount Awarded: £250

(c) Applicant: Purple Hats, Forth (CL/3/20)

Amount Requested: £250

Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees

Amount Awarded: £250

(d) Applicant: Roberton Gardening Club (CL/4/20)

Amount Requested: £260
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200

(e) Applicant: Coalburn Silver Band (CL/5/20)

Amount Requested: £850
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £500

(f) Applicant: Carstairs Women's Rural Institute (CL/6/20)

Amount Requested: £500

Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees

Amount Awarded: £250

(g) Applicant: Carstairs Senior Citizens' Association (CL/7/20)

Amount Requested: £450
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200

(h) Applicant: Law Community Amateur Football Club (CL/8/20)

Amount Requested: £330

Purpose of Grant: Equipment

Amount Awarded: £300

# 3. Background

3.1. The Council operates a community grants scheme to support local constituted community groups and voluntary organisations. All applications require to be supported by a constitution, audited accounts or annual income and expenditure accounts, a bank statement, and confirmation that the group/organisation will adhere to the conditions of the grant award. Applications are invited continually throughout the year.

- 3.2. The main aims of the community grants scheme are to:-
  - fund activities and projects which bring community benefit
  - ♦ involve people in the community by bringing them together to enjoy educational, recreational, leisure and other community activities or to improve the local environment
- 3.3. Support can be provided for a range of activities including, administration and publicity costs, purchase of equipment and materials, annual outings and entrance fees, start-up costs and special events.
- 3.4. In respect of those applications received for the purpose of outings and for special events to take place over the summer period, due to the current uncertainty in relation to COVID-19, it is proposed that those applications be approved, in principle. This will provide organisations with the flexibility to reschedule outings and events to a later date, if possible. Groups will be asked to inform the Council of their intentions in this regard. Should an organisation be unable to use the grant award for the planned purpose, the grant funds will require to be returned. As per normal procedure, receipts for all spend must be provided.

## 4. Employee Implications

4.1. None.

## 5. Financial Implications

5.1. The current position of the community grant allocation for the Clydesdale Area Committee area in 2020/2021 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants £25,750
Community Grants recommended in this report £2,200
Remaining balance \*£23,550

\* see paragraph 6.2 below

5.2. On the basis that the playscheme grants detailed in a separate report on this agenda amounting to £1,200 are approved, the remaining balance for allocation throughout the year is £22,350.

# 6. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

6.1. There are no implications for climate change, sustainability or the environment in terms of the information contained in this report.

# 7. Other Implications

7.1. The risk to the Council is that grant funding is not utilised for the purpose of which it was intended. This risk is mitigated by internal controls including audit procedures and conditions of grant agreement.

## 8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 8.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy and therefore no impact assessment is required.
- 8.2. All the necessary consultation with the community groups has taken place.

# **Paul Manning**

**Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)** 

11 May 2020

## Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

♦ Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent. Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities

#### **Previous References**

♦ Clydesdale Area Committee – 10 March 2020

# **List of Background Papers**

Individual application forms

# **Contact for Further Information**

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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