

Monday, 14 September 2020

Dear Councillor

East Kilbride Area Committee

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

Date:Wednesday, 23 September 2020Time:14:00Venue:By Microsoft Teams and Committee Room 1,

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

Yours sincerely

Cleland Sneddon Chief Executive

Members

Archie Buchanan (Chair), Isobel Dorman (Depute Chair), John Anderson, Graeme Campbell, Gerry Convery, Margaret Cooper, Fiona Dryburgh, Joe Fagan, Grant Ferguson, Geri Gray, Ian Harrow, Hugh Macdonald, Monique McAdams, Gladys Miller, Graham Scott, Collette Stevenson, Jim Wardhaugh, David Watson

1 Declaration of Interests

2 Previous Meeting

Note of delegated decisions taken by the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Group Leaders, on items of business relating to the East Kilbride Area Committee on 23 June 2020, submitted for information. (Copy attached)

Item(s) for Decision

3 Community Grant Applications 5 - 8 Report dated 4 September 2020 by the the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached)

Urgent Business

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

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East Kilbride Area Committee Agenda of 23 June 2020 - Delegated Decisions taken by the Chief Executive, in consultation with Group Leaders

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Previous Meeting

Decided:

that the delegated decisions taken by the Chief Executive, in consultation with Group Leaders, in relation to the previous agenda of 29 April 2020, be noted as a correct record.

3 Community Grant Applications Decided:

(1) that community grants be awarded as follows:-

(a)	Applicant: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Round Strathaven 50 <i>(EK/11/20)</i> £300 Equipment, administration and publicity costs
(b)	Applicant: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Chapelton Silver Circle <i>(EK/13/20)</i> £200 Outing

(2) that the arrangements to use £5,000 from the 2020/2021 community grants budget to assist community groups engaged in supporting their communities during the Covid-19 pandemic be noted.

4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.



Report to:East Kilbride Area CommitteeDate of Meeting:23 September 2020Report 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 3 community groups in the East Kilbride 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: Amount Requested: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Strathaven and District Probus Club <i>(EK/16/20)</i> £200 Outing £200

- (b) Applicant: Stonehouse Heritage Group (*EK*/17/20)
 Amount Requested: £450
 Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs
 Amount Awarded: £300
- (c) Applicant: Friends of Stonehouse Park (EK/18/20)
 Amount Requested: £700
 Purpose of Grant: Equipment
 Amount Awarded: £350

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 forthcoming months, 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 East Kilbride Area Committee area in 2020/2021 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants	£25,750
Grants previously allocated	£6,200
*Funding allocated to the COVID-19 response effort	£5,000
Community Grants recommended in this report	£850
Remaining balance	£13,700

* As reported to this Committee on 23 June 2020

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)

4 September 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

♦ East Kilbride Area Committee – 23 June 2020

List of Background Papers

Individual application forms

Contact for Further Information

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