

Tuesday, 21 April 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, 29 April 2020

Time: 14:00

Venue: Council Chamber, East Kilbride Civic Centre, Andrew Street, East

Kilbride, G74 1AB

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

#### **BUSINESS**

# 1 Declaration of Interests

# 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

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Minutes of meeting of the East Kilbride Area Committee held on 12 February 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 14 April 2020 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached)

## 4 Community Grant Applications

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Report dated 14 April 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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**EAST KILBRIDE AREA COMMITTEE** 

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Minutes of meeting held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, East Kilbride on 12 February 2020

#### Chair:

Councillor Archie Buchanan

#### **Councillors Present:**

Councillor John Anderson, Councillor Archie Buchanan, Councillor Isobel Dorman (Depute), Councillor Fiona Dryburgh, Councillor Joe Fagan, Councillor Grant Ferguson, Councillor Ian Harrow, Councillor Gladys Miller, Councillor Graham Scott, Councillor Collette Stevenson, Councillor Jim Wardhaugh

## **Councillors' Apologies:**

Councillor Graeme Campbell, Councillor Gerry Convery, Councillor Margaret Cooper, Councillor Geri Gray, Councillor Hugh Macdonald, Councillor Monique McAdams, Councillor David Watson

## Attending:

#### **Education Resources**

K Douglas, Headteacher, Halfmerke Primary School, East Kilbride; F Leggate, Quality Improvement Officer

# **Finance and Corporate Resources**

S McLeod, Administration Officer

#### Also Attending:

## **South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture Limited (SLLC)**

M McKeown, Senior Development Co-ordinator; P Roe, Health Development Officer

#### 1 Declaration of Interests

The following interest was declared:-

Councillor(s) Item(s)

Dorman Community Grant Application EK/79/19

Friends of Stonehouse Park

Nature of Interest(s)

Member of organisation

## 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the East Kilbride Area Committee held on 20 November 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 – Halfmerke Primary School, East Kilbride

A report dated 27 January 2020 by the Executive Director (Education Resources) was submitted on the outcome of the inspection of Halfmerke Primary School, East Kilbride on progress made by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIe).

The inspection took place in September 2019 as part of a national sample of primary 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 of 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.

Having spoken on key aspects of the report, the Chair thanked the Quality Improvement Officer for providing the update.

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

# 4 Community Grant Applications

A report dated 29 January 2020 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on applications for community grants.

In view of the fact that this was the last meeting of the Committee in the current financial year and to allow best use to be made of the remaining 2019/2020 community grant budget, it was proposed that the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, be authorised to approve any further community grant applications meeting the relevant criteria in the period to 31 March 2020. Those grants awarded would be reported to the next meeting of the Area Committee for noting.

#### The Committee decided:

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

(a) Applicant: Stonehouse Men's Shed (EK/71/19)

Purpose of Grant: Materials Amount Awarded: £500

(b) Applicant: Allers Allotments' Association, East Kilbride (EK/75/19)

Purpose of Grant: Materials Amount Awarded: £300

(c) Applicant: Duncanrig Rambling Club, East Kilbride (EK/76/19)

Purpose of Grant: Outing, administration and publicity costs

Amount Awarded: £300

(d) Applicant: The East Kilbride Probus Club (EK/77/19)

Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees

Amount Awarded: £250

(e) Applicant: Westwood Parish Church – Tuesday Leisure Club, East

Kilbride (EK/78/19)

Purpose of Grant: Outing Amount Awarded: £200

(f) Applicant: Friends of Stonehouse Park (EK/79/19)

Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs

Amount Awarded: £300

Councillor Dorman, having declared an interest in the above application, withdrew from the meeting during its consideration

- (2) that, to ensure that the remaining 2019/2020 community grant budget was utilised as fully as possible, the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, be authorised to approve community grant applications in the period to 31 March 2020, subject to the applications meeting the Council's criteria for receipt of funding; and
- (3) that details of those applications approved be reported to the next meeting of the Area Committee for noting.

#### 5 South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture

P Roe, Health Development Officer, South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture Limited (SLLC) gave a presentation on:-

- the Health Team structure, which included a Senior Development Co-ordinator and 1
   Health Development Officer and 1 Programme Development Officer per locality
- the benefits of the Health Team being locality based
- programmes and initiatives to enrich people's lives including:-
  - ♦ Active Health, with 5,000 referrals to date
  - a community-based blood pressure testing initiative pilot
  - ♦ Child Healthy Weight Programme
  - ♦ Adult Weight Management Programme
  - ♦ Physical Activity Prescription a primary and secondary care referral tool available to health professionals across South Lanarkshire
  - ♦ Beat the Street, East Kilbride 2020 a game which used smartcard and on-line technology to create walking and cycling competitions, designed to increase the physical activity of participants, who would earn points as they walked, cycled and ran as part of their daily, regular short journeys

M McKeown and P Roe, having responded to members' questions, were thanked for their informative presentation.

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

#### 6 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.



# Report

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Report to: East Kilbride Area Committee

Date of Meeting: 29 April 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 playscheme grants in the East Kilbride Area Committee area for 2020/2021

# 2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

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

(a) Applicant: Special Needs Adventure Playground (SNAP)

Playscheme, East Kilbride (PS/EK/1/20)

Amount Awarded: £400

(b) Applicant: Strathaven After School Club (PS/EK/2/20)

Amount Awarded: £600

(c) Applicant: Moss Out of School Service, East Kilbride

(PS/EK/3/20)

Amount Awarded: £600

(d) Applicant: East Kilbride Universal Connections (PS/EK/4/20)

Amount Awarded: £600

(e) Applicant: Playcare Out of School Care, East Kilbride

(PS/EK/5/20)

Amount Awarded: £600

## 3. Background

3.1. The Council's community grants scheme includes provision for funding 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 the 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 East Kilbride Area Committee area in 2020/2021 was £25,750. The proposed grants amounting to £2,800 recommended for playscheme grants in this report for approval will be met from the Area Committee's community grant and playscheme budget, leaving £22,950 remaining 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)** 

14 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: East Kilbride Area Committee

Date of Meeting: 29 April 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 11 community groups in the East Kilbride Area Committee area from the 2020/2021 community grant budget
  - ◆ advise on community grants approved by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, in the period from the last Area Committee on 12 February 2020 to the end of the financial year on 31 March 2020

## 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: ENABLE (East Kilbride Branch) (EK/84/19)

Amount Requested: £250

Purpose of Grant: Entrance fees

Amount Awarded: £250

(b) Applicant: East Kilbride Qurky Quilters (EK/86/19)

Amount Requested: £250
Purpose of Grant: Equipment £250
Amount Awarded: £250

(c) Applicant: East Kilbride Open Cattle Show Society (EK/1/20)

Amount Requested: £1,000

Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs

Amount Awarded: £500

(d) Applicant: St Leonard's Rambling Club, East Kilbride

(EK3/20)

Amount Requested: £900

Purpose of Grant: Outing, entrance fees, administration and publicity

costs

Amount Awarded: £300

(e) Applicant: Avon Angling Club, Stonehouse (EK/4/20)

Amount Requested: £500

Purpose of Grant: Equipment

Amount Awarded: £300

(f) Applicant: East Kilbride 60+ Activity Club (Ceilidh) (EK/5/20)

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

(g) Applicant: Stonehouse Old Folks' Welfare Committee

(EK/6/20)

Amount Requested: £350
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200

(h) Applicant: St Bride's Ladies' Phoenix Club, East Kilbride

(EK/7/20)

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

(i) Applicant: Cresta Club, Strathaven (EK/8/20)

Amount Requested: £250

Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees

Amount Awarded: £250

(j) Applicant: Claremont History Club, East Kilbride (EK/9/20)

Amount Requested: £340

Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees

Amount Awarded: £250

(k) Applicant: Women's Royal Voluntary Service Darby and Joan

Club, Strathaven (EK/10/20)

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

(2) that the action taken by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to approve the award of community grants in the period from the last Area Committee to the end of the financial year 2019/2020 to the groups detailed in Appendix 1, be noted.

# 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. Applications Approved Under Delegated Authority

- 4.1. At its meeting held on 12 February 2020, the Area Committee authorised the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to approve any further community grant applications in the period from 13 February 2020 to 31 March 2020. This was subject to the applications meeting the Council's criteria for receipt of funding. It was also agreed that a report on the awards made would be submitted to the next meeting of the Area Committee for noting.
- 4.2. In line with the decision taken at the previous meeting of the Committee, 3 applications, as detailed in Appendix 1, totalling £576, were approved by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair during the period 13 February to 31 March 2020. The annual budget for 2019/2020 had £3,754 remaining.

# 5. Employee Implications

5.1. None.

#### 6. Financial Implications

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

Total allocation for Community Grants	£25,750
Community Grants recommended in this report	£ 2,900
Remaining balance	*£22,850

<sup>\*</sup> see paragraph 6.2 below

6.2 On the basis that the playscheme grants detailed in a separate report on this agenda amounting to £2,800 are approved, the remaining balance for allocation throughout the year is £20,050.

# 7. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

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

# 8. Other Implications

8.1. 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.

## 9. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 9.1. 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.
- 9.2. All the necessary consultation with the community groups has taken place.

# **Paul Manning**

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

14 April 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 – 12 February 2020

## **List of Background Papers**

Individual application forms

# **Contact for Further Information**

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Community grants approved by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) in consultation with the Chair, in the period from 13 February to 31 March 2020

(a) Applicant: Willow Club, East Kilbride (EK/81/19)

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

(b) Applicant: Jackton Women's Rural Institute, East Kilbride

(EK/82/19)

Amount Requested: £250

Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees

Amount Awarded: £250

(c) Applicant: Strathaven Choral Society (EK/85/19)

Amount Requested: £126
Purpose of Grant: Equipment

Amount Awarded: £126