EAST KILBRIDE AREA COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held via Microsoft Teams on 24 February 2021

Chair:

Councillor Archie Buchanan

Councillors Present:

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

Councillor's Apology:

Councillor Fiona Dryburgh

Attending:

Community and Enterprise Resources M McGlynn, Executive Director; I Ross, Project Manager Finance and Corporate Resources H Tennant, Administration Officer; L Wyllie, Administration Assistant Housing and Technical Resources D Lowe, Executive Director

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the East Kilbride Area Committee held on 2 December 2020 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

3 East Kilbride - Masterplan

Due to time constraints, it was proposed that the presentation by the Executive Directors (Community and Enterprise Resources) and (Housing and Technical Resources) on the East Kilbride Masterplan be postponed and heard at a later date. Arrangements would be made for a special meeting of the Committee to be convened to hear the presentation and members would be advised of the date in due course.

The Committee decided: that arrangements be made to convene a special meeting of the Committee to hear the East Kilbride Masterplan presentation.

Councillors Convery and Anderson left the meeting following consideration of this item of business

4 Community Grant Applications

A report dated 8 February 2021 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on:-

- applications for community grants
- action taken by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to allocate community grants to assist community groups engaged in supporting their communities during the COVID-19 pandemic

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 2020/2021 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 2021. 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: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Strathaven Camera Club <i>(EK/21/20)</i> Administration and publicity costs £200
(b)	Applicant: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Allers Allotments Association, East Kilbride <i>(EK/22/20)</i> Materials £200

- (2) that the action taken by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to allocate community grants to support community groups with their response to the COVID-19 pandemic, be noted as follows:-
 - (a) Applicant: Darcy's Equine Centre (Chapelton)
 Purpose of Grant: To support disabled people and their carers to help them cope with anxiety and mental health during the pandemic through the care of animals.
 Amount Awarded: £960
 - (b) Applicant: Waste Not Want Not
 Purpose of Grant: To offer targeted support to shielded people and carers involving Winter Clothing and food supplies.
 Amount Awarded: £1,000
- (3) that, to ensure that the remaining 2020/2021 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 2021, subject to the applications meeting the Council's criteria for receipt of funding; and
- (4) that the details of those applications approved be reported to a future meeting for noting.
- [Reference: Note of Delegated Decisions taken by the Chief Executive, in consultation with Group Leaders, on the East Kilbride Area Committee Agenda of 23 June 2020 (Paragraph 3)]

5 Urgent Business There were no items of urgent business.