

EAST KILBRIDE AREA COMMITTEE

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)	Nature of Interest(s)
Dorman	Community Grant Application EK/79/19 Friends of Stonehouse Park	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:-

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| (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.