

Report

Report to:	Cambuslang and Rutherglen Area Committee
Date of Meeting:	31 May 2023
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject:	Community Grant Applications/Warm Welcome Initiative
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ request approval for the allocation of 10 community grants from the Cambuslang and Rutherglen Area Committee 2023/2024 community grant budget
- ◆ advise of grants awarded to community and voluntary groups/organisations in the Cambuslang and Rutherglen Area Committee area in response to the Warm Welcome Initiative
- ◆ advise on community grants applications meeting the relevant criteria approved by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, in the period from the last Area Committee on 15 March 2023 to the end of the financial year on 31 March 2023

2. Recommendation(s)

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

(1) that a community grant be awarded as follows:-

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| (a) | Applicant: | Cambuslang Community Council
(CR/22/22) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Materials |
| | Identified Community Benefits: | We will work to put people first and reduce inequality |
| | Estimated Cost: | £3,000 |
| | Total Eligible Grant Applied for: | £960 |
| | Recommendation: | £576 |
| | Amount Awarded: | To be determined by the Committee |
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| (b) | Applicant: | Kirkhill Bowling Club, Cambuslang
(CR/1/23) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment and materials |
| | Identified Community Benefits: | People live the healthiest lives possible |
| | Estimated Cost: | £300 |
| | Total Eligible Grant Applied for: | £300 |
| | Recommendation: | £300 |
| | Amount Awarded: | To be determined by the Committee |

- (c) Applicant: Rutherglen Heritage Society (*CR/2/23*)
 Purpose of Grant: Equipment
 Identified Community Benefits: Inspiring learners, transforming learning, strengthening partnerships
 Estimated Cost: £2,000
 Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £2,000
 Recommendation: £1,200
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (d) Applicant: Trinity High School Parent Council, Rutherglen (*CR/3/23*)
 Purpose of Grant: Equipment
 Identified Community Benefits: Focused on people and their needs
 Estimated Cost: £1,000
 Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £1,000
 Recommendation: £600
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (e) Applicant: Eastfield Physically Disabled Club, Cambuslang (*CR/4/23*)
 Purpose of Grant: Specialist transport and entrance fees
 Identified Community Benefits: Focused on people and their needs
 Estimated Cost: £1,000
 Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £750
 Recommendation: £750
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (f) Applicant: Cambuslang Summer Festival (*CR/5/23*)
 Purpose of Grant: Special Event
 Identified Community Benefits: Focused on people and their needs
 Estimated Cost: £4,000
 Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £4,000
 Recommendation: £2,400
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (g) Applicant: Flemington/Hallside Guild, Cambuslang (*CR/6/23*)
 Purpose of Grant: Outing, equipment and administration costs
 Identified Community Benefits: People live the healthiest lives possible
 Estimated Cost: £700
 Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £700
 Recommendation: £540
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (h) Applicant: Rutherglen Bowling Club (*CR/7/23*)
 Purpose of Grant: Equipment
 Identified Community Benefits: People live the healthiest lives possible
 Estimated Cost: £360
 Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £300
 Recommendation: £300
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee

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| (i) | Applicant: | Cambuslang Parish Church Pastoral Care Team (CR/9/23) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Identified Community Benefits: | Focused on people and their needs |
| | Estimated Cost: | £330 |
| | Total Eligible Grant Applied for: | £300 |
| | Recommendation: | £300 |
| | Amount Awarded: | To be determined by the Committee |
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| (j) | Applicant: | 2 nd Rutherglen Brownies (CR/10/23) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Entrance fees, equipment, arts and crafts materials |
| | Identified Community Benefits: | Our children and young people thrive |
| | Estimated Cost: | £276 |
| | Total Eligible Grant Applied for: | £276 |
| | Recommendation: | £276 |
| | Amount Awarded: | To be determined by the Committee |

- (2) that the award of 1 grant, totalling £1,000, to the following community and voluntary group/organisation in the Cambuslang and Rutherglen Area in response to the Warm Welcome Initiative be noted:-

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| (a) | Applicant: | Particip8 Overton |
| | Amount Applied for: | £1,000 |
| | Amount Awarded: | £1,000 |

- (3) 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 2022/2023 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. At the meeting of the full Council on 28 September 2022, it was agreed that the Chief Executive would bring forward a package of cost of living supports for agreement, in consultation with the Group Leaders, and endorsed by the Executive Committee at

its meeting on 30 November 2022. This package included support for a Warm Welcome Initiative.

- 3.5. Working in conjunction with South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture and community and voluntary groups and organisations, the Warm Welcome Initiative is a network of warm spaces in community settings and public buildings where members of the public are welcomed and can participate in activities and access advice and support. To support the initiative, a small grants scheme was created offering grants to a maximum of £1,000 to cover extra costs incurred by offering a Warm Welcome. A total of £40,000 was identified for the Initiative and the monies were apportioned equally between the 4 Area Committees.
- 3.6. As funds were required immediately to assist in the response effort, it was agreed that applications would be considered by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the relevant Area Committee Chair, and submitted to the Area Committee for noting.
- 3.7. In terms of the community grants scheme, community groups would normally only be permitted to submit one application in each financial year, however, community groups that applied for funding to assist in the Warm Welcome Initiative are entitled to apply for a grant for another purpose under the scheme in the same financial year.
- 3.8. 1 grant was awarded to a community/voluntary group/organisation in the Cambuslang and Rutherglen Area, totalling £1,000.

4. Employee Implications

- 4.1. None.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1. The current position of the community grants for the Cambuslang and Rutherglen Area Committee area in 2023/2024 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants	£25,750
Community grants allocated in this report	. £7,242
Remaining balance	*£18,508

*see paragraph 5.2 below

- 5.2. On the basis that the playscheme grant detailed in a separate report on this agenda amounting to £660 is approved, the remaining balance for allocation throughout the year is £17,848.

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 for 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)

15 May 2023

Link(s) to Council Vision/Priorities/Values

- ◆ Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent.
- ◆ Focused on people and their needs

Previous References

- ◆ Cambuslang and Rutherglen Area Committee – 15 March 2023
- ◆ Executive Committee – 30 November 2022
- ◆ South Lanarkshire Council – 28 September 2022

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Individual application form

Contact for Further Information

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

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Community grants approved by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) in consultation with the Chair, in the period from 16 March to 31 March 2023

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| (a) | Applicant: | Friends of Fernbrae Meadows (<i>CR/18/22</i>) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Environmental project |
| | Amount Awarded: | £1,000 |
| (b) | Applicant: | 113 th Glasgow (Burnside) Scout Group, Rutherglen (<i>CR/25/22</i>) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment |
| | Amount Awarded: | £748 |
| (c) | Applicant: | Go Ahead Club (<i>CR/26/22</i>) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £560 |