

Friday, 28 May 2021

Dear Councillor

# Clydesdale Area Committee

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

Date:Tuesday, 08 June 2021Time:14:00Venue:By Microsoft Teams,

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

Yours sincerely

Cleland Sneddon Chief Executive

#### Members

Richard Lockhart (Chair), Mark Horsham (Depute Chair), Alex Allison, Poppy Corbett, George Greenshields, Lynsey Hamilton, Eric Holford, Eileen Logan, Julia Marrs, Ian McAllan, Catherine McClymont, Colin McGavigan, David Shearer

## **BUSINESS**

#### 1 Declaration of Interests

#### 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting 3 - 4 Minutes of the meeting of the Clydesdale Area Committee held on 23 March 2021 submitted for approval as a correct record. (Copy attached)

## Item(s) for Noting

#### 3 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Presentation by George Kirkcaldy, Station Manager, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

## Item(s) for Decision

4	Playscheme Grant Applications	5 - 6
	Report dated 4 May 2021 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached)	

5 Community Grant Applications 7 - 10 Report dated 24 May 2021 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached)

#### **Urgent Business**

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

## For further information, please contact:-

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# **CLYDESDALE AREA COMMITTEE**

Minutes of meeting held via Microsoft Teams on 23 March 2021

#### Chair:

Councillor Richard Lockhart

#### **Councillors Present:**

Councillor Alex Allison, Councillor Poppy Corbett, Councillor George Greenshields, Councillor Lynsey Hamilton, Councillor Eric Holford, Councillor Mark Horsham (Depute), Councillor Eileen Logan, Councillor Julia Marrs, Councillor Catherine McClymont, Councillor Colin McGavigan

#### **Councillors' Apologies:**

Councillor Ian McAllan, Councillor David Shearer

#### Attending:

**Finance and Corporate Resources** 

C Lyon, Administration Officer; L Wyllie, Administration Assistant

#### **Chair's Opening Remarks**

The Chair, on behalf of members, extended sincere condolences to Councillor David Shearer and his family on the death of his mother.

#### 1 Declaration of Interests

The following interest was declared:-

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Marrs	Community Grant Application (CL/24/20)	Mem
	Lanark Tennis Club, Lanark	

*Nature of Interest(s)* Member

#### 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Clydesdale Area Committee held on 26 January 2021 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

#### **3** Community Grant Applications

A report dated 8 March 2021 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 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.

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Chair would write to the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) advising that members of this Committee wished any unspent monies at the end of this financial year to be carried forward and added to the 2021/2022 community grant budget. Members of the Committee also indicated that they would contact their own Group Leaders to ask that that this matter be brought to the attention of the Chief Executive.

During discussion, having noted that the current criteria for the award of community grants had not been updated for some time, it was considered that the criteria be reviewed.

#### The Committee decided:

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

(a)	Applicant:	Coalburn Homing Club, Coalburn (CL/23/20)
	Purpose of Grant:	Equipment
	Amount Awarded:	£300

(b) Applicant: Lanark Tennis Club, Lanark (*CL/24/20*) Purpose of Grant: Equipment Amount Awarded: £300

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

- (2) 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;
- (3) that the details of those applications approved be reported to the next meeting of the Area Committee for noting;
- (4) that the Chair write to the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) on behalf of the Committee to request that any unspent monies from this financial year be carried forward and added to the 2021/2022 community grant budget; and
- (5) that arrangements be made to review the current criteria for the award of community grants.

[Reference: Minutes of 26 January 2021 (Paragraph 4)]

#### 4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.



Subject:

Report to:Clydesdale Area CommitteeDate of Meeting:8 June 2021Report by:Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

# Playscheme Grant Applications 2021/2022

## 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-
  - request approval for the allocation of the following playscheme grants in the Clydesdale area for 2021/2022

## 2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
  - (1) that the following playscheme grants be awarded:-
    - (a) Applicant: Stanmore House Playscheme, Lanark (*PS/CL/1/21*) Amount Awarded: £600
    - (b) Applicant: Lanark Universal Connections (*PS/CL/2/21*) Amount Awarded: £600

## 3. Background

- 3.1. The Council's community grants scheme includes provision for funding for playschemes operating over the Summer, October and Easter school holiday periods. Applications have been invited from individual playschemes for 2021/2022.
- 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 summer period only
  - £100 for each of the October and Easter periods
- 3.3. 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 to support Playschemes and Community Grants in the Clydesdale area in 2021/2022 was £25,750. The proposed amount of £1,200 recommended for a playscheme grant in this report for approval will be met from the Area Committee's playscheme and community grant budget, leaving £24,550 to administer community grants for the remainder of 2021/2022.

## 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)

4 May 2021

## Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/ Objectives

• Improve the quality of life of everyone in South Lanarkshire.

## **Previous References**

Clydesdale Area Committee – 26 May 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:-Nicola Docherty, Administration Assistant Ext: 4149 (Tel: 01698 454149) E-mail: nicola.docherty@southlanarkshire.gov.uk



Report to:Clydesdale Area CommitteeDate of Meeting:8 June 2021Report 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 1 community group in the Clydesdale Area Committee area from the 2021/2022 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 23 March 2021 to the end of the financial year on 31 March 2021

## 2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
  - (1) that a community grant be awarded as follows:-

(a)	Applicant: Amount Requested:	Kirkfieldbank Homing and Sporting Club (CL/1/21) £260
	Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Materials, administration and publicity costs £260

(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 2020/2021 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.

## 4. Employee Implications

4.1. None.

## 5. Applications Approved Under Delegated Authority

- 5.1. At its meeting held on 23 March 2021, 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 24 to 31 March 2021. This was subject to applications meeting the Council's criteria for receipt of funding. It was also agreed that a report on any awards made would be submitted to the next meeting of the Area Committee for noting.
- 5.2. In line with the decision taken at the previous meeting of the Committee, 3 applications, as detailed in Appendix 1, for £1,400 were approved by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair during the period 24 to 31 March 2021.

## 6. Financial Implications

6.1. The current position of the community grant and the COVID-19 response grant allocations for the Cambuslang and Rutherglen Area Committee area in 2021/2022 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants	£25,750
Community grants allocated in this report	£ 260
Remaining balance	*£25,490

\* see paragraph 6.2 below

- 6.2. On the basis that the playscheme grants detailed in a separate report on this agenda amounting to £1,200 are approved, the remaining balance for allocation throughout the year is £24,290.
- 6.3. There is currently approximately £0.060 million of unspent money in the 2020/2021 community grants budget which are distributed by Area Committees. Area Committees have expressed that in this unusual year, they would not want groups to lose access to those funds. The Executive Committee on 28 April 2021 considered a proposal that the unspent balances be carried forward at the end of the financial year to be managed as part of the year end final transfer to reserves.
- 6.4 Formal approval to carry forward those unspent monies will be made in a recommendation in the 2020/2021 year-end report to be submitted to the Executive Committee on 23 June 2021. In relation this Area Committee, the unspent monies in 2020/2021 amounted to £10,090.

## 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)

24 May 2021

## 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**

Clydesdale Area Committee – 23 March 2021

## List of Background Papers

• Individual 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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# Community grants approved by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) in consultation with the Chair, in the period from 24 to 31 March 2021

(a)	Applicant: Amount Requested: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Biggar Rugby Football Club, Biggar <i>(CL/25/20)</i> £1,000 Equipment £300
(b)	Applicant: Amount Requested: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Clydesdale Community Concert Band <i>(CL/26/20)</i> £1,000 Equipment £600
(c)	Applicant: Amount Requested: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Biggar Youth Project, Biggar <i>(CL/27/20)</i> £950 Equipment £500