

Report

Report to:	Clydesdale Area Committee
Date of Meeting:	26 February 2019
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject:	Community Grant Applications
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ request approval for the allocation of community grants to 14 community groups in the Clydesdale area from the 2018/2019 community grant budget
- ◆ request authorisation for the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to approve any further community grant applications meeting the relevant criteria in the period to 31 March 2019 from the 2018/2019 budget

2. Recommendation(s)

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

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

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| (a) | Applicant: | Lanark and District Archaeological Society, Lanark
(CL/47/18) |
| | Amount Requested: | £250 |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and entrance fees |
| | Amount Awarded: | £250 |
| (b) | Applicant: | Coalburn Bronze Band (CL/62/18) |
| | Amount Requested: | £414 |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment |
| | Amount Awarded: | £300 |
| (c) | Applicant: | 1 st Carstairs Girls Brigade (CL/64/18) |
| | Amount Requested: | £500 |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing, entrance fees and materials |
| | Amount Awarded: | £375 |
| (d) | Applicant: | Biggar and District Men's Shed, Biggar (CL/65/18) |
| | Amount Requested: | £250 |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Start-up costs |
| | Amount Awarded: | £250 |

- (e) Applicant: Braehead Lunch and Social Club, Forth (CL/66/18)
Amount Requested: £250
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (f) Applicant: Coalburn Silver Band (CL/67/18)
Amount Requested: £500
Purpose of Grant: Materials
Amount Awarded: £375
- (g) Applicant: Lanark and Writers' Circle, Lanark (CL/68/18)
Amount Requested: £400
Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs
Amount Awarded: £300
- (h) Applicant: Wild Things Scotland CIC, Biggar (CL/69/18)
Amount Requested: £600
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £450
- (i) Applicant: Biggar Music Club (CL/70/18)
Amount Requested: £750
Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs
Amount Awarded: £570
- (j) Applicant: Lanark Tennis Club (CL/71/18)
Amount Requested: £1,000
Purpose of Grant: Equipment, administration and publicity costs
Amount Awarded: £750
- (k) Applicant: Forth Gateway Project Group (CL/72/18)
Amount Requested: £192
Purpose of Grant: Entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £192
- (l) Applicant: Purple Hats (CL/74/18)
Amount Requested: £250
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (m) Applicant: The Probus Club of Biggar (CL/75/18)
Amount Requested: £200
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200
- (n) Applicant: Royal Burgh of Lanark Community Council (CL/76/18)
Amount Requested: £958
Purpose of Grant: Administration, publicity costs and materials
Amount Awarded: £720

- (2) request authorisation for the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to approve any further community grant applications meeting the relevant criteria in the period to 31 March 2019 from the 2018/2019 budget.

3. Background

- 3.1. The Council operates a community grants scheme to support local constituted community groups and voluntary organisations. Applications are invited continually throughout the year.
- 3.2. 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.

4. Employee Implications

- 4.1. None.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1. The current position of the community grant allocation for the Clydesdale Area in 2018/2019 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants	£25,750
Grants previously allocated	£18,220
Community Grants recommended in this report	£ 5,232
Remaining balance	£ 2,298

- 5.2. In view of the fact that this is the last meeting of the Committee in the current financial year and to allow any further applications submitted prior to the end of the current financial year to be considered, it is 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 2019. Information on those grants awarded would be reported to a future meeting.

6. Other Implications

- 6.1. 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.
- 6.2. There are no apparent implications in terms of sustainable development.

7. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 7.1. 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.
- 7.2. All the necessary consultation with the community groups has taken place.

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Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

12 February 2019

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, 4 December 2018

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Individual application forms

Contact for Further Information

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