

Report

Report to: **Hamilton Area Committee**
 Date of Meeting: **21 June 2023**
 Report 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 11 community groups in the Hamilton Area Committee area from the 2023/2024 community grant 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: | The Holding Space, Hamilton (HA/5/23) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Start-up costs – Equipment, materials and publicity costs |
| | Identified Community Benefits: | Our children and young people thrive |
| | Estimated Cost: | £649 |
| | Total Eligible Grant Applied for: | £649 |
| | Recommendation: | £300 |
| | Amount Awarded: | To be determined by the Committee |
| (b) | Applicant: | Hillhouse Parish Church Men's Club, Hamilton (HA/6/23) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and entrance fees |
| | Identified Community Benefits: | People live the healthiest lives possible |
| | Estimated Cost: | £320 |
| | Total Eligible Grant Applied for: | £320 |
| | Recommendation: | £320 |
| | Amount Awarded: | To be determined by the Committee |
| (c) | Applicant: | Handmades, Hamilton (HA/4/23) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Identified Community Benefits: | People live the healthiest lives possible |
| | Estimated Cost: | £240 |
| | Total Eligible Grant Applied for: | £240 |
| | Recommendation: | £240 |
| | Amount Awarded: | To be determined by the Committee |

- (d) Applicant: Larkhall Heritage Group (*HA/8/23*)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Identified Community Benefits: People live the healthiest lives possible
Estimated Cost: £760
Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £760
Recommendation: £350
Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (e) Applicant: Hyper Cyber Youth Project, Blantyre (*HA/9/23*)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Identified Community Benefits: Our children and young people thrive
Estimated Cost: £1,000
Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £1,000
Recommendation: £350
Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (f) Applicant: Hamilton District Men's Shed (*HA/10/23*)
Purpose of Grant: Materials
Identified Community Benefits: People live the healthiest lives possible
Estimated Cost: £500
Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £500
Recommendation: £300
Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (g) Applicant: Hamilton Bowling Club (*HA/11/23*)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
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
- (h) Applicant: Hamilton South Guilds Together (*HA/13/23*)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Identified Community Benefits: People live the healthiest lives possible
Estimated Cost: £500
Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £300
Recommendation: £300
Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (i) Applicant: Musical Memories, Hamilton (*HA/14/23*)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Identified Community Benefits: People live the healthiest lives possible
Estimated Cost: £550
Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £550
Recommendation: £300
Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee

(j)	Applicant:	Larkhall New Parish Church Guild Outings Fund (HA/15/23)
	Purpose of Grant:	Outing and entrance fees
	Identified Community Benefits:	People live the healthiest lives possible
	Estimated Cost:	£725
	Total Eligible Grant Applied for:	£725
	Recommendation:	£350
	Amount Awarded:	To be determined by the Committee
(k)	Applicant:	SLC Radio, Hamilton (HA/16/23)
	Purpose of Grant:	Equipment (website)
	Identified Community Benefits:	Working with and respecting others
	Estimated Cost:	£500
	Total Eligible Grant Applied for:	£500
	Recommendation:	£300
	Amount Awarded:	To be determined by the Committee

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. Financial Implications

5.1. The current position of the community for the Hamilton Area Committee area in 2022/2023 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants	£25,750
Grants previously allocated	£850
Community grants allocated in this report	£3,410
Remaining balance	*£21,490

*see paragraph 5.2 below

5.2 On the basis that the playscheme grant detailed in a separate report on this agenda amounting to £880 is approved, the remaining balance for allocation throughout the year is £20,610.

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 of 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.

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5 June 2023

Link(s) to Council Values/Priorities/Outcomes

- ◆ Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent
- ◆ We will work towards a sustainable future in sustainable places
- ◆ Caring, connected, sustainable communities

Previous References

- ◆ Hamilton Area Committee – 26 April 2023

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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