

## HAMILTON AREA COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 5 December 2018

### **Chair:**

Councillor Mary Donnelly

### **Councillors Present:**

Councillor Jackie Burns, Councillor Stephanie Callaghan, Councillor Maureen Chalmers, Councillor Peter Craig (Depute), Councillor Allan Falconer, Councillor Martin Grant Hose, Councillor Joe Lowe, Councillor Kenny McCreary, Councillor Davie McLachlan, Councillor Lynne Nailon, Councillor Mo Razzaq, Councillor John Ross, Councillor Bert Thomson, Councillor Josh Wilson

### **Councillors' Apologies:**

Councillor Andy Carmichael, Councillor Maureen Devlin, Councillor Graeme Horne, Councillor Mark McGeever, Councillor Jim McGuigan, Councillor Richard Nelson

### **Attending:**

#### **Community and Enterprise Resources**

A Cunningham, Network Team Leader; I Russell, Roads Area Manager

#### **Finance and Corporate Resources**

G Bow, Administration Manager; G Cochran, Administration Assistant

### **Also Attending:**

#### **Care and Repair in South Lanarkshire**

J Burgess, Manager

#### **Police Scotland**

Inspector S McCarren

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## **Order of Business**

<b>The Committee decided:</b>	that the items of business be dealt with in the order minuted below.
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### **1 Declaration of Interests**

No interests were declared.

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### **2 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting of the Hamilton Area Committee held on 26 September 2018 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

<b>The Committee decided:</b>	that the minutes be approved as a correct record.
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### **3 Community Grant Applications**

A report dated 19 November 2018 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on applications for community grant.

**The Committee decided:** that community grants be awarded as follows:-

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|-----|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (a) | Applicant:        | Dalserf Village Garden Club, Larkhall ( <i>HA/38/18</i> )                               |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Environmental project                                                                   |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £300                                                                                    |
| (b) | Applicant:        | Tei Karate, Hamilton ( <i>HA/63/18</i> )                                                |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Start-up costs                                                                          |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £250                                                                                    |
| (c) | Applicant:        | Hillhouse Parish Church Men's Club, Hamilton ( <i>HA/64/18</i> )                        |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and entrance fees                                                                |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £200                                                                                    |
| (d) | Applicant:        | Sharp and Gentles Fly Tying and Fishing Club, Hamilton ( <i>HA/65/18</i> )              |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and equipment                                                                    |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £300                                                                                    |
| (e) | Applicant:        | Blantyre Bowling Club (Ladies' Section) ( <i>HA/66/18</i> )                             |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and entrance fees                                                                |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £250                                                                                    |
| (f) | Applicant:        | The Lanarkshire Festival of Male Choirs, Hamilton ( <i>HA/67/18</i> )                   |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Materials, administration and publicity costs                                           |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £300                                                                                    |
| (g) | Applicant:        | Eddlewood Bowling Club (Ladies' Section), Hamilton ( <i>HA/68/18</i> )                  |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment                                                                               |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £150                                                                                    |
| (h) | Applicant:        | 78 <sup>th</sup> Lanarkshire (3 <sup>rd</sup> Blantyre) Scout Group ( <i>HA/69/18</i> ) |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Entrance fees and materials                                                             |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £300                                                                                    |
| (i) | Applicant:        | Larkhall Youth Group ( <i>HA/70/18</i> )                                                |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Specialist transport and entrance fees                                                  |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £300                                                                                    |

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#### **4 Care and Repair in South Lanarkshire - Presentation**

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J Burgess, Manager, Care and Repair in South Lanarkshire gave a presentation which outlined:-

- ◆ that the main purpose of Care and Repair was to assist people aged over 65 or people of any age with a disability or life limiting illness, who lived in privately owned or privately rented accommodation, with home adaptations, repairs and advice
- ◆ that, in February 2017, Care and Repair had successfully tendered for a contract with the Council to deliver adaptations and a repairs and maintenance service across South Lanarkshire
- ◆ current funding arrangements

Details were also provided on the following:-

- ◆ adaptations carried out
- ◆ a free repairs and maintenance service
- ◆ the provision of telecare, key-safes and euro cylinder locks

- ◆ the Safe as Houses joint venture between Care and Repair, South Lanarkshire Council and Police Scotland to deliver free home safety and security measures and advice to eligible clients
- ◆ a free small repairs service
- ◆ the future aspirations of Care and Repair

J Burgess, having responded to members' questions, was thanked for his informative presentation.

**The Committee decided:** that the presentation be noted.

*Councillor Lowe left the meeting after this item of business*

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## 5 Police Scotland – Presentation

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Inspector McCarren, Police Scotland provided the following details of the South Lanarkshire Policing Plan:-

- ◆ counter terrorism
- ◆ serious organised crime and drugs
- ◆ serious violent crime and public protection
- ◆ road safety
- ◆ public confidence and local engagement
- ◆ acquisitive crime
- ◆ anti-social behaviour and hate crime

Information was also provided on the following local successes:-

- ◆ wellbeing pilot being rolled out throughout Police Scotland
- ◆ new operating module introduced on 9 May 2017:-
  - ◆ Local Policing Team (LPT) resilience to respond to emergencies
  - ◆ Local Problem Solving Team (LPST) - increased visibility and community engagement
- ◆ working with community partners:-
  - ◆ proactive patrols to tackle anti-social behaviour in areas such as Hamilton town centre and Burnbank
- ◆ working with partners to support vulnerable adults and children
- ◆ working with the Council to tackle anti-social tenants

Inspector S McCarren, having responded to members' questions, was thanked for his informative presentation.

**The Committee decided:** that the presentation be noted.

*[Reference: Minutes of 22 November 2017 (Paragraph 5)]*

*Councillor Burns and Chalmers left the meeting during this item of business*

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## 6 Roads Investment Plan – Progress Report

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A report dated 19 November 2018 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on progress with roads investment activity within the Hamilton Area Committee area.

Details were provided on:-

- ◆ phasing of the £126 million expenditure on the Roads Investment Programme from 2008/2009 to 2018/2019
- ◆ progress made in relation to the schemes within the Hamilton Area Committee area which showed that, as at 15 October 2018, 29 schemes had been completed and 13 were in progress or programmed to be completed by the end of March 2019

The current capital expenditure would end in 2019 and the adequacy of future funding would be a significant issue for the Council to consider.

The Roads Area Manager gave a presentation on key aspects of the Roads Investment Plan and responded to members' questions.

The Chair, on behalf of the Committee, thanked the Roads Area Manager and his employees for their efforts to progress the Roads Investment Plan over the last 10 years.

**The Committee decided:** that progress with the Roads Investment Plan within the Hamilton Area Committee area be noted.

*[Reference: Minutes of 22 November 2017 (Paragraph 6)]*

*Councillor Craig left the meeting during this item of business*

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## **7 Urgent Business**

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There were no items of urgent business.