

Report to:East Kilbride Area CommitteeDate of Meeting:21 November 2023Report 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 4 community grants from the East Kilbride Area Committee 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:-

(a)	Applicant: Purpose of Grant: Identified Community Benefits: Estimated Cost: Total Eligible Grant Applied for: Recommendation: Amount Awarded:	Strathaven Badminton Club <i>(EK/28/23)</i> Equipment People live the healthiest lives possible £408 £408 £300 To be determined by the Committee
(b)	Applicant: Purpose of Grant: Identified Community Benefits: Estimated Cost: Total Eligible Grant Applied for: Recommendation: Amount Awarded:	Stonehouse Heritage Group <i>(EK/29/23)</i> Equipment Caring, connected, sustainable communities £750 £750 £450 To be determined by the Committee
(c)	Applicant: Purpose of Grant: Identified Community Benefits: Estimated Cost: Total Eligible Grant Applied for: Recommendation: Amount Awarded:	East Kilbride Quirky Quilters <i>(EK/31/23)</i> Equipment Caring, connected, sustainable Communities £300 £300 £180 To be determined by the Committee

(d) Applicant: Duncanrig Rambling Club, East Kilbride (EK/32/23) Outing, administration and publicity Purpose of Grant: costs Identified Community Benefits: People live the healthiest lives possible communities Estimated Cost: £360 Total Eligible Grant Applied for: £360 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 East Kilbride Area Committee area in 2023/2024 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants	£25,750
Grants previously allocated	£10,443
Community grants allocated in this report	£1,230
Remaining balance*	£14,077

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.

Paul Manning Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

6 November 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

• East Kilbride Area Committee – 12 September 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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