

Monday, 15 March 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, 23 March 2021

Time: 14:00

**Venue:** 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

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Minutes of the meeting of the Clydesdale Area Committee held on 26 January 2021 submitted for approval as a correct record. (Copy attached)

## Item(s) for Decision

## 3 Community Grant Applications

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Report dated 8 March 2021 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached)

## **Urgent Business**

## 4 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** 

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Minutes of meeting held via Microsoft Teams on 26 January 2021

#### Chair:

Councillor Richard Lockhart

#### **Councillors Present:**

Councillor Alex Allison, Councillor Poppy Corbett, Councillor Mark Horsham (Depute), Councillor Eileen Logan, Councillor Julia Marrs, Councillor Catherine McClymont, Councillor Colin McGavigan, Councillor David Shearer

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

Councillor George Greenshields, Councillor Eric Holford, Councillor Ian McAllan

#### Attending:

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

C Lyon, Administration Officer; L Wyllie, Administration Assistant

#### Also Attending:

#### **Police Scotland**

Inspector B Lindie

#### 1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

#### 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Clydesdale Area Committee held on 3 November 2020 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

#### 3 Police Scotland - Update

Inspector Lindie, Police Scotland provided details of the following key priorities for South Lanarkshire as detailed in the new (pan Lanarkshire) Local Policing Plan 2020 to 2023:-

- reducing violence and disorder
- public protection and protecting people at risk of harm
- ♦ tackling housebreaking and acquisitive crime
- reducing harm caused by substance misuse

Information was also provided on:-

- various activities and positive policing outcomes in the local community
- ♦ 4 quad bikes which had been donated by the local communities of Coalburn and Douglas to Police Scotland and based in Larkhall, with the aim to assist Police Officers tackle antisocial behaviour caused by users of quad bikes in those local areas, and to be deployed for other purposes as deemed appropriate by Police Scotland

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

Following discussion, members requested that the Clerk contact Police Scotland in relation to re-establishing arrangements for informal discussion sessions to coincide with Area Committee meetings.

#### The Committee decided:

- (1) that the presentation be noted; and
- (2) that the Clerk contact Police Scotland in relation to re-establishing arrangements for informal discussion sessions to coincide with the Area Committee meetings.

[Reference: Minutes of 17 December 2019 (Paragraph 4)]

## 4 Community Grant Applications

A report dated 11 January 2021 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on:-

- an application for a community grant
- action taken by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to allocate community grants to assist community groups engaged in supporting their communities during the COVID-19 pandemic

Councillor Lockhart, seconded by Councillor Horsham, moved that the application received from Lanark and District Archaeological Society, Lanark (CL/22/20) be awarded £200. Councillor McClymont, seconded by Councillor McGavigan, moved as an amendment that the Lanark and District Archaeological Society, Lanark (CL/22/20) be awarded £290.

On a vote being taken by roll call, members voted as follows:-

#### Motion

Poppy Corbett, Mark Horsham, Richard Lockhart, Eileen Logan, Julia Marrs, David Shearer

#### **Amendment**

Alex Allison, Catherine McClymont, Colin McGavigan

6 members voted for the motion and 3 for the amendment. The motion was declared carried.

#### The Committee decided:

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

(a) Applicant: Lanark and District Archaeological Society, Lanark (CL/22/20)

Purpose of Grant: Equipment Amount Awarded: £200

(2) that the action taken by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to allocate community grants to support community groups with their response to the COVID-19 pandemic, be noted, as follows:-

(a) Applicant: Biggar Community Action Group

Purpose of Grant: Hot meal delivery service to elderly and vulnerable people

Amount Awarded: £900

(b) Applicant: Blackwood and Kirkmuirhill Resilience Group

Purpose of Grant: Mental health interventions for shielding people and anti-

bullying packs

Amount Awarded: £960

(c) Applicant: Carstairs Junction Welcome All Hub

Purpose of Grant: Wellbeing boxes for elderly people

Amount Awarded: £1,000

(d) Applicant: Clydesdale Food Bank

Purpose of Grant: Storage boxes and trolley to support crisis food provision and

food package preparation, assisting vulnerable people and

families during the pandemic

Amount Awarded: £300

(e) Applicant: Coalburn Miners' Welfare

Purpose of Grant: 100 food boxes to assist targeted groups affected by the

pandemic, including elderly and those with health conditions

Amount Awarded: £600

(f) Applicant: ISKCON

Purpose of Grant: Doorstep food delivery service of nutritious meals ordered

online for elderly and self isolating vulnerable people

Amount Awarded: £1,000

[Reference: Minutes of 3 November 2020 (Paragraph 3)]

## 5 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.



Report

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Report to: Clydesdale Area Committee

Date of Meeting: 23 March 2021

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 2 community groups in the Clydesdale Area Committee area from the 2020/2021 community grant budget
- ♦ request authorisation for the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to approve further community grant applications meeting the relevant criteria in the period to 31 March 2021 from the 2020/2021 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: Coalburn Homing Club, Coalburn (CL/23/20)

Amount Requested: £500

Purpose of Grant: Equipment

Amount Awarded: £300

(b) Applicant: Lanark Tennis Club, Lanark (CL/24/20)

Amount Requested: £1,000
Purpose of Grant: Equipment £300

(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 2021 from the 2020/2021 budget.

#### 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.
- 3.4. On 26 January 2021, the Area Committee noted that £4,760, from the £5,000 allocation from the Committee's community grants budget had been awarded to community groups engaged in supporting their communities during the COVID-19 pandemic, covering the period to 31 December 2020.

## 4. Employee Implications

4.1 None

#### 5. Financial Implications

5.1. The current position of the community grant and the COVID-19 response grant allocations for the Clydesdale Area Committee area in 2020/2021 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants	£25,750
Community Grants previously allocated	£ 8,900
Funding allocated to the COVID-19 response effort	£ 4,760
Community grants allocated in this report	£ 600
Remaining balance	£11,490

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 2021. Information on those grants awarded would be reported to a future meeting.

## 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)

8 March 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 – 26 January 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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