

# CAMBUSLANG AND RUTHERGLEN AREA COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in the Cambuslang Institute, Greenlees Road, Cambuslang on 29 January 2019

## **Chair:**

Councillor Carol Nugent

## **Councillors Present:**

Councillor Walter Brogan, Councillor Robert Brown, Councillor Janine Calikes, Councillor Ann Le Blond, Councillor Martin Lennon, Councillor Katy Loudon

## **Councillors' Apologies:**

Councillor John Bradley (Depute), Councillor Margaret Cowie, Councillor Alistair Fulton, Councillor Margaret B Walker, Councillor Jared Wark

## **Finance and Corporate Resources**

P MacRae, Administration Officer; K McLeod, Administration Assistant

## **Also Attending:**

### **Routes to Work South**

S Barr, Chief Executive

### **South Lanarkshire Carers' Network**

I Murray, Business Network Manager; P McIntosh, Partnership and Engagement Officer

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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 Cambuslang and Rutherglen Area Committee held on 6 November 2018 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

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## **3 Routes to Work South**

S Barr, Chief Executive, gave a presentation on Routes to Work South (RTWS), a single-member charitable organisation whose principal aim was to help local people to gain sustainable employment. The presentation highlighted that:-

- ◆ RTWS operated exclusively to support South Lanarkshire residents and businesses by working with local people and employers to link opportunity and need
- ◆ through its extensive community outreach, RTWS targeted under represented communities and deprived areas
- ◆ there were 4 central employability hubs, one in each of South Lanarkshire's 4 localities which were situated close to complementary provision such as Jobcentre Plus, Citizens' Advice Bureau and Q&A facilities (all of the hubs provided free broadband, 1-2-1 meeting rooms, training space and computer access
- ◆ the company recognised the benefits of joint working and partnership with others and had a policy of co-locating with partners, which included Business Gateway and Skills Development Scotland, and operated in partnership with the Council and an extensive range of local service providers

- ♦ RTWS offered a wide range of employability and training services for adults and young people

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

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

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#### 4 South Lanarkshire Carers' Network

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I Murray, Business Network Manager and P McIntosh, Partnership and Engagement Officer, gave a presentation on the South Lanarkshire Carers' Network, an information gateway for unpaid carers in South Lanarkshire. The presentation provided details of the:-

- ♦ definition of a carer
- ♦ context of caring with an estimated 38,000 carers in South Lanarkshire
- ♦ Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 which placed a range of duties on public bodies and extended the rights and potential entitlements of adult and young carers
- ♦ purpose of the Carers' Network which was to support unpaid carers across South Lanarkshire by:-
  - ♦ providing information to carers
  - ♦ hosting and co-ordinating the only carers' network across South Lanarkshire
  - ♦ providing an empowering service
  - ♦ influencing local services
  - ♦ getting involved in local decision-making
  - ♦ campaigning on behalf of carers
- ♦ overall aims of the Carers' Network and what it did to support carers

I Murray and P McIntosh, having responded to members' questions, were thanked for their informative presentation.

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

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#### 5 Community Grant Applications

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A report dated 14 January 2019 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:<br>Purpose of Grant:<br>Amount Awarded: | Cambuslang Apiary Project (CR/16/18)<br>Equipment, materials, administration and publicity costs<br>£270 |
| (b) | Applicant:<br>Purpose of Grant:<br>Amount Awarded: | Burnside in Bloom, Rutherglen (CR/35/18)<br>Environmental project<br>£1,000                              |
| (c) | Applicant:<br>Purpose of Grant:<br>Amount Awarded: | Cambuslang and District Voluntary Care Club (CR/36/18)<br>Specialist transport and entrance fees<br>£620 |
| (d) | Applicant:<br>Purpose of Grant:<br>Amount Awarded: | Resourceful Ramblers, Rutherglen (CR/38/18)<br>Specialist transport<br>£1,000                            |

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| (e) | Applicant:        | Enable (Rutherglen and District Branch), Cambuslang ( <i>CR/39/18</i> ) |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Entrance fees   |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £1,000  |
| (f) | Applicant:        | Clyde Cycle Park, Rutherglen ( <i>CR/40/18</i> )                        |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment   |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £1,000  |
| (g) | Applicant:        | Cambuslang in Bloom ( <i>CR/41/18</i> )                                 |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Environmental project   |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £1,000  |

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## **6 Urgent Business**

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There were no items of urgent business.