

Report

Report to: East Kilbride Area Committee

Date of Meeting: 12 May 2021

Report by: Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject: Playscheme Grant Applications 2021/2022

1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

◆ request approval, in principle, for the allocation of playscheme grants in the East Kilbride area for 2021/2022

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve, in principle, the following recommendation(s):-

(1) that playscheme grants be awarded as follows:-

(a) Applicant: Special Needs Adventure Playground (SNAP)

Playscheme, East Kilbride (PS/EK/1/21)

Amount Awarded: £400

(b) Applicant: Strathaven After School Club (PS/EK/2/21)

Amount Awarded: £600

(c) Applicant: Moss Out of School Service, East Kilbride

(PS/EK/3/21)

Amount Awarded: £600

(d) Applicant: East Kilbride Universal Connections (PS/EK/4/21)

Amount Awarded: £600

(e) Applicant: Playcare Out of School Care, East Kilbride

(PS/EK/5/21)

Amount Awarded: £600

3. Background

- 3.1. The Council's community grants scheme includes provision for funding playschemes operating over the Summer, October and Easter school holiday periods. Applications have recently been invited from individual playschemes for 2021/2022.
- 3.2. At the time of writing this report, application forms have yet to be received, however, it is understood that these will be submitted within the next few days. On receipt of the application forms and, as soon as the necessary checks have been made, these will be processed in the usual manner.

- 3.3. The award of grants recommended in this report are based on the level of grant awarded in 2020/2021 and reflect the Council's decision to allocate grant funding on the following basis:-
 - ♦ £600 to playschemes that operate over the Summer, October and Easter periods
 - ♦ £400 for the summer period only
 - ♦ £100 for each of the October and Easter periods
- 3.4. The Council also makes financial provision for individual playschemes to receive, as appropriate, travel passes from Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT).

4. Employee Implications

4.1. None.

5. Financial Implications

5.1. The overall total approved to support Playschemes and Community Grants in the East Kilbride Area Committee area in 2021/2022 was £25,750. The proposed grants amounting to £2,800 recommended for playscheme grants in this report for approval will be met from the Area Committee's community grant and playscheme budget, leaving £22,950 remaining to administer community grants for the remainder of 2021/2022.

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 associated with grant support is that the resources provided are not utilised for the purposes for which they were intended. This is mitigated by information received from the application form, the sign off of a Conditions of Grant form and by the implementation of an audit process.

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 each group has taken place. Appropriate consultation has also taken place with other Council Resources.

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4 May 2021

Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

• Improve the quality of life of everyone in South Lanarkshire.

Previous References

♦ East Kilbride Area Committee – 29 April 2020

List of Background Papers

♦ Individual playscheme grant application forms

Contact for Further Information

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