

Tuesday, 24 November 2020

**Dear Councillor** 

# **East Kilbride Area Committee**

The Members listed below are requested to attend a meeting of the above Committee to be held as follows:-

Date: Wednesday, 02 December 2020

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**

Archie Buchanan (Chair), Isobel Dorman (Depute Chair), John Anderson, Graeme Campbell, Gerry Convery, Margaret Cooper, Fiona Dryburgh, Joe Fagan, Grant Ferguson, Geri Gray, Ian Harrow, Hugh Macdonald, Monique McAdams, Gladys Miller, Graham Scott, Collette Stevenson, Jim Wardhaugh, David Watson

#### **BUSINESS**

#### 1 Declaration of Interests

### 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

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Minutes of the meeting of the East Kilbride Area Committee held on 23 September 2020 submitted for approval as a correct record. (Copy attached)

### Item(s) for Decision

#### 3 Community Grant Applications

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Report dated 16 November 2020 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached)

### Item(s) for Noting

## 4 Police Scotland - Community Policing

Presentation by Local Area Commander Lex Baillie and Inspector Stephen McGovern, Police Scotland.

### **Urgent Business**

#### 5 Urgent Business

Any other items of business which the Chair decides are urgent.

# For further information, please contact:-

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# EAST KILBRIDE AREA COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held via Microsoft Teams and in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 23 September 2020

#### Chair:

Councillor Isobel Dorman (Depute)

#### **Councillors Present:**

Councillor John Anderson, Councillor Fiona Dryburgh, Councillor Joe Fagan, Councillor Grant Ferguson, Councillor Geri Gray, Councillor Monique McAdams, Councillor Hugh Macdonald, Councillor Gladys Miller, Councillor Graham Scott, Councillor David Watson

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

Councillor Archie Buchanan (Chair), Councillor Graeme Campbell, Councillor Gerry Convery, Councillor Margaret Cooper, Councillor Ian Harrow, Councillor Collette Stevenson, Councillor Jim Wardhaugh

#### Attending:

### **Finance and Corporate Resources**

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### **Declaration of Interests**

The following interest was declared:-

Councillor(s) Item(s) Dorman

Community Grant Application EK/18/20

Friends of Stonehouse Park

*Nature of Interest(s)* 

Member of organisation

### **Previous Meeting**

The Committee decided: that the delegated decisions taken by the Chief Executive,

> in consultation with Group Leaders, on items of business relating to the previous agenda of 23 June 2020, be noted

as a correct record.

## **Community Grant Applications**

A report dated 4 September 2020 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on applications for community grants.

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

Applicant: Strathaven and District Probus Club (EK/16/20) (a)

Purpose of Grant: Outing Amount Awarded: £200

(b) Applicant: Stonehouse Heritage Group (EK/17/20)

Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs

Amount Awarded: £300 (c) Applicant: Friends of Stonehouse Park (EK/18/20)

Purpose of Grant: Equipment

Amount Awarded: £350

Councillor Dorman, having declared an interest in the above application, withdrew from the meeting during its consideration and, in terms of Standing Order No 32(b), Councillor Watson took the Chair for this application only

# 4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.



Report

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Report to: East Kilbride Area Committee

Date of Meeting: 2 December 2020

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 a community grant to 1 community group in the East Kilbride Area Committee area from the 2020/2021 community grant budget

### 2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
  - (1) that a community grant be awarded as follows:-

(a) Applicant: Duncanrig Rambling Club, East Kilbride

(EK/19/20)

Amount Requested: £300

Purpose of Grant: Outing, administration and publicity costs

Amount Awarded: £300

# 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. In respect of those applications received for the purpose of outings and for special events to take place over the forthcoming months, due to the current uncertainty in relation to COVID-19, it is proposed that those applications be approved, in principle. This will provide organisations with the flexibility to reschedule outings and events to a later date, if possible. Groups will be asked to inform the Council of their intentions in this regard. Should an organisation be unable to use the grant award for the planned purpose, the grant funds will require to be returned. As per normal procedure, receipts for all spend must be provided.

### 4. Employee Implications

4.1. None.

### 5. Financial Implications

5.1. The current position of the community grant allocation for the East Kilbride Area Committee area in 2020/2021 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants	£25,750
Grants previously allocated	£7,050
*Funding allocated to the COVID-19 response effort	£5,000
Community Grants recommended in this report	£300
Remaining balance	£13,400

<sup>\*</sup> As reported to this Committee on 23 June 2020

#### 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)** 

16 November 2020

## 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**

♦ East Kilbride Area Committee – 23 September 2020

# **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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