

Report to:East Kilbride Area CommitteeDate of Meeting:12 February 2020Report 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 6 community groups in the East Kilbride Area Committee area from the 2019/2020 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 2020 from the 2019/2020 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: Amount Requested: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Stonehouse Men's Shed <i>(EK/71/19)</i> £940 Materials £500
(b)	Applicant: Amount Requested: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Allers Allotments' Association, East Kilbride <i>(EK/75/19)</i> £400 Materials £300
(c)	Applicant: Amount Requested: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Duncanrig Rambling Club, East Kilbride <i>(EK/76/19)</i> £300 Outing, administration and publicity costs £300
(d)	Applicant: Amount Requested: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	The East Kilbride Probus Club <i>(EK/77/19)</i> £750 Outing and entrance fees £250

(e)	Applicant: Amount Requested: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Westwood Parish Church – Tuesday Leisure Club, East Kilbride <i>(EK/78/19)</i> £200 Outing £200
(f)	Applicant: Amount Requested: Purpose of Grant: Amount Awarded:	Friends of Stonehouse Park <i>(EK/79/19)</i> £350 Administration and publicity costs £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 2020 from the 2019/2020 budget.

3. Background

- 3.1. The Council operates a community grants scheme to support local constituted community groups and voluntary organisations. Applications are invited continually throughout the year.
- 3.2. 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.

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 2019/2020 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants	£25,750
Grants previously allocated	£19,570
Community Grants recommended in this report	£1,850
Remaining balance	£4,330

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 2020. Information on those grants awarded would be reported to a future meeting.

6. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

6.1. There are no significant implications in terms of climate change, sustainability or environmental issues.

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)

29 January 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 – 20 November 2019

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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