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| Report to: | Clydesdale Area Committee |
| Date of Meeting: | 13 February 2018 |
| Report by: | Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) |

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| Subject: | Community Grant Applications |
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ request approval for the allocation of community grants to 14 community groups in the Clydesdale area from the 2017/2018 community grant budget
- ◆ 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 2018 from the 2017/2018 budget

2. Recommendation(s)

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

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

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| (a) Applicant: | Carstairs Pre-5 Group (CL/51/17) |
| Amount Requested: | £1,000 |
| Purpose of Grant: | Equipment and materials |
| Amount Awarded: | £550 |
| (b) Applicant: | Braehead Primary School Parent Council, Lanark (CL/55/17) |
| Amount Requested: | £767 |
| Purpose of Grant: | Equipment, administration and publicity costs |
| Amount Awarded: | £500 |
| (c) Applicant: | Carmichael Women's Rural Institute (CL/57/17) |
| Amount Requested: | £128 |
| Purpose of Grant: | Materials |
| Amount Awarded: | £100 |
| (d) Applicant: | The Probus Club of Biggar (CL/61/17) |
| Amount Requested: | £200 |
| Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| Amount Awarded: | £200 |

- (e) Applicant: Wiston Lodge, Biggar (CL/62/17)
Amount Requested: £614
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £300
- (f) Applicant: 1st Carluke Guides (CL/63/17)
Amount Requested: £200
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £200
- (g) Applicant: Castlehill Bowling Club, Carluke (CL/64/17)
Amount Requested: £500
Purpose of Grant: Materials
Amount Awarded: £250
- (h) Applicant: Coalburn Homing Club (CL/65/17)
Amount Requested: £500
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £250
- (i) Applicant: Carluke Probus Club (CL/66/17)
Amount Requested: £250
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (j) Applicant: 449 Lanark Air Training Corps Squadron (CL/67/17)
Amount Requested: £350
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £350
- (k) Applicant: St Athanasius Community Hall Management Committee, Carluke (CL/68/17)
Amount Requested: £989
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £500
- (l) Applicant: Lanark Chess Club (CL/69/17)
Amount Requested: £200
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £150
- (m) Applicant: Royal Burgh of Lanark Community Council (CL/70/17)
Amount Requested: £1,000
Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs
Amount Awarded: £400
- (n) Applicant: Biggar Music Club (CL/72/17)
Amount Requested: £750
Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs
Amount Awarded: £400

- (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 2018 from the 2017/2018 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 Clydesdale Area in 2017/2018 is as follows:-

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| Total allocation for Community Grants | £25,000 |
| Grants previously allocated | £15,855 |
| Community Grants recommended in this report | £ 4,400 |
| Remaining balance | £ 4,745 |

- 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 2018. Information on those grants awarded would be reported to a future meeting.

6. Other Implications

- 6.1. 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.
- 6.2. There are no apparent implications in terms of sustainable development.

7. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 7.1. 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.
- 7.2. All the necessary consultation with the community groups has taken place.

Paul Manning
Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

29 January 2018

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

- ◆ None

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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