

# Report

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Report to:	<b>Hamilton Area Committee</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>22 February 2017</b>
Report by:	<b>Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)</b>

Subject:	<b>Community Grant Applications</b>
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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 8 groups in the Hamilton Area Committee Area from the 2016/2017 community grant budget
- ◆ request authorisation from the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to approve further community grants applications meeting the relevant criteria in the period to 31 March 2017 from the 2016/2017 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:        | Hamilton Grammar School Parent Council<br>(HA/87/16)                          |
|     | Amount Requested: | £70   |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Start-up costs  |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £70   |
|     |                   |   |
| (b) | Applicant:        | Low Waters Juniors' Club, Hamilton (HA/96/16)                                 |
|     | Amount Requested: | £250  |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Start-up costs  |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £250  |
|     |                   |   |
| (c) | Applicant:        | St Joseph's Primary School Parent Teacher<br>Association, Blantyre (HA/97/16) |
|     | Amount Requested: | £800  |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment   |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £600  |
|     |                   |   |
| (d) | Applicant:        | Uddingston and Bothwell Women's Rural Institute<br>(HA/99/16)                 |
|     | Amount Requested: | £200  |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Outing  |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £200  |

- (e) Applicant: The Miracle Foundation, Hamilton (HA/100/16)  
Amount Requested: £650  
Purpose of Grant: Start-up costs  
Amount Awarded: £250
- (f) Applicant: Uddingston and Tannochside History Society (HA/101/16)  
Amount Requested: £250  
Purpose of Grant: Start-up costs  
Amount Awarded: £250
- (g) Applicant: Uddingston District Churches United Men's Fellowship (HA/103/16)  
Amount Requested: £250  
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees  
Amount Awarded: £250
- (h) Applicant: Livingstone Memorial Church Guild, Blantyre (HA/104/16)  
Amount Requested: £200  
Purpose of Grant: Outing  
Amount Awarded: £200

(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 2017 from the 2016/2017 budget

### 3. Background

- 3.1. The Council operates a community grants scheme to support local constituted community groups and voluntary organisations. Applications are invited throughout the financial 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 Hamilton Area Committee Area in 2016/2017 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants	£45,000
Grants previously allocated	£27,337
Community Grants recommended in this report	£2,070
Remaining balance	£15,593

- 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 2017. 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 for which it was intended. This risk is mitigated by internal controls including audit procedures and a 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)**

6 February 2017

### **Link(s) to Council Values/Objectives**

- ◆ Accountable, effective and efficient use of resources. Supports the Council's vision of working together to improve the quality of life of everyone in South Lanarkshire.

### **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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