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Report to:	<b>Hamilton Area Committee</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>21 June 2017</b>
Report by:	<b>Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)</b>

Subject:	<b>Playscheme Grant Applications 2017/2018</b>
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## 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ request approval for the allocation of the following playscheme grants in the Hamilton area for 2017/2018.

## 2. Recommendation(s)

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

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

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| (a) | Applicant:      | Childcare in the Community, Hamilton<br>(PS/HA/1/17)  |
|     | Amount Awarded: | £600  |
| (b) | Applicant:      | Hamilton Lone Parents (Jumping Beans)<br>(PS/HA/2/17) |
|     | Amount Awarded: | £500  |
| (c) | Applicant:      | Strutherhill Activity Group, Larkhall (PS/HA/3/17)    |
|     | 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 been invited from individual playschemes for 2017/2018.

3.2. The recommendations 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 summer period only
- ◆ £100 for each of the October and Easter periods

3.3. The Council also makes financial provision for individual playschemes to receive, as appropriate, travel passes from Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) and access to Council transport during the school holiday periods.

#### **4. Employee Implications**

4.1. None.

#### **5. Financial Implications**

5.1. The overall total approved by the Executive Committee to support Playschemes and Community Grants in the Hamilton area in 2017/2018 was £25,000. The proposed grants amounting to £1,700 recommended for playscheme grants in this report for approval, will be met from the Area Committee's playscheme and community grant budget, leaving £23,300 to administer community grants for the remainder of 2017/2018.

#### **6. Other Implications**

6.1. 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.

6.2. There are no significant issues in respect of sustainability in terms of the recommendation in this report.

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

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**Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)**

19 May 2017

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

◆ Support the Council's Vision of working together to improve the quality of life of everyone.

#### **Previous References**

Executive Committee 8 March 2017

#### **List of Background Papers**

◆ Individual playscheme grant application forms

**Contact for Further Information**

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