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Report to:	Hamilton Area Committee
Date of Meeting:	22 June 2010
Report by:	Executive Director (Corporate Resources)

Subject:	Playscheme Grant Applications 2011/2012
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ request approval for the allocation of 7 playscheme grants in the Hamilton area for 2011/2012.

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
(PS/HA/1/11) |
| | Amount Awarded: | £600 |
| (b) | Applicant: | Hamilton After School Project, Hamilton
(PS/HA/2/11) |
| | Amount Awarded: | £600 |
| (c) | Applicant: | Strutherhill Activity Group, Larkhall (PS/HA/3/11) |
| | Amount Awarded: | £600 |
| (d) | Applicant: | Hamilton Lone Parent (Jumping Beans)
(PS/HA/5/11) |
| | Amount Awarded: | £500 |
| (e) | Applicant: | Hamilton Universal Connections (PS/HA/6/11) |
| | Amount Awarded: | £600 |
| (f) | Applicant: | Hamilton Information Project for Youth
(PS/HA/7/11) |
| | Amount Awarded: | £400 |
| (g) | Applicant: | Whitehill Universal Connections, Hamilton
(PS/HA/8/11) |
| | Amount Awarded: | £600 |

3. Background

- 3.1. The Council's community grants scheme includes provision for funding for playschemes operating over the Summer, October and Easter school holiday periods. Applications have been invited from individual playschemes for 2011/2012.
- 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 Passenger 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 2011/2012 was £56,000. The proposed grants amounting to £3,900 recommended in this report for approval will be met from the Area Committee's community grants budget. Leaving a balance of £52,100 for the Hamilton Area Committee.

6. Other Implications

- 6.1. The risks associated with grant support are 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. These are as 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 national and local group has taken place. Appropriate consultation has also taken place with other Council Resources.

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Link(s) to Council Objectives/Improvement Themes/Values

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

Previous References

Executive Committee 23 February 2011

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Individual playscheme grant application forms

Contact for Further Information

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