

Report

Report to:	Hamilton Area Committee
Date of Meeting:	15 May 2024
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject:	Playscheme Grant Applications 2024/2025
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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 2024/2025

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/1/24) |
| | Amount Awarded: | £440 |
| (b) | Applicant: | REACH Lanarkshire Autism, Hamilton
(PS/HA/2/24) |
| | Amount Awarded: | £440 |

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 2024/2025.

3.2. The recommendations reflect the Council's decision to allocate grant funding on the following basis:-

- ◆ £660 to playschemes that operate over the Summer, October and Easter periods
- ◆ £440 for summer period only
- ◆ £110 for each of the October and Easter periods

4. Employee Implications

4.1. None

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1. The overall total approved to support Playschemes and Community Grants in the Hamilton area in 2024/2025 was £25,750. The proposed grants amounting to £880 recommended for playscheme grants in this report for approval, will be met from the Area Committee's playscheme and community grant budget, leaving £24,870 to administer community grants for the remainder of 2024/2025.

6. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

- 6.1. There are no implications for climate change, sustainability or the environment in terms of the information contained in this report.

7. Other Implications

- 7.1. 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.

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 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)

29 April 2024

Link(s) to Council Values/Priorities/Outcomes

- ◆ Improve the quality of lives and prospects of everyone in South Lanarkshire
- ◆ Focused on people and their needs
- ◆ We will work to put people first and reduce inequality
- ◆ Caring, connected, sustainable communities

Previous References

- ◆ Hamilton Area Committee – 21 June 2023

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Individual playscheme grant application forms

Contact for Further Information

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