

CLYDESDALE AREA COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held via Microsoft Teams on 26 January 2021

Chair:

Councillor Richard Lockhart

Councillors Present:

Councillor Alex Allison, Councillor Poppy Corbett, Councillor Mark Horsham (Depute), Councillor Eileen Logan, Councillor Julia Marrs, Councillor Catherine McClymont, Councillor Colin McGavigan, Councillor David Shearer

Councillors' Apologies:

Councillor George Greenshields, Councillor Eric Holford, Councillor Ian McAllan

Attending:

Finance and Corporate Resources

C Lyon, Administration Officer; L Wyllie, Administration Assistant

Also Attending:

Police Scotland

Inspector B Lindie

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Clydesdale Area Committee held on 3 November 2020 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

The Committee decided: that the minutes be approved as a correct record.

3 Police Scotland - Update

Inspector Lindie, Police Scotland provided details of the following key priorities for South Lanarkshire as detailed in the new (pan Lanarkshire) Local Policing Plan 2020 to 2023:-

- ◆ reducing violence and disorder
- ◆ public protection and protecting people at risk of harm
- ◆ tackling housebreaking and acquisitive crime
- ◆ reducing harm caused by substance misuse

Information was also provided on:-

- ◆ various activities and positive policing outcomes in the local community
- ◆ 4 quad bikes which had been donated by the local communities of Coalburn and Douglas to Police Scotland and based in Larkhall, with the aim to assist Police Officers tackle anti-social behaviour caused by users of quad bikes in those local areas, and to be deployed for other purposes as deemed appropriate by Police Scotland

Inspector Lindie, having responded to members' questions, was thanked for his informative presentation.

Following discussion, members requested that the Clerk contact Police Scotland in relation to re-establishing arrangements for informal discussion sessions to coincide with Area Committee meetings.

The Committee decided:

- (1) that the presentation be noted; and
- (2) that the Clerk contact Police Scotland in relation to re-establishing arrangements for informal discussion sessions to coincide with the Area Committee meetings.

[Reference: Minutes of 17 December 2019 (Paragraph 4)]

4 Community Grant Applications

A report dated 11 January 2021 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on:-

- ♦ an application for a community grant
- ♦ action taken by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to allocate community grants to assist community groups engaged in supporting their communities during the COVID-19 pandemic

Councillor Lockhart, seconded by Councillor Horsham, moved that the application received from Lanark and District Archaeological Society, Lanark (CL/22/20) be awarded £200. Councillor McClymont, seconded by Councillor McGavigan, moved as an amendment that the Lanark and District Archaeological Society, Lanark (CL/22/20) be awarded £290.

On a vote being taken by roll call, members voted as follows:-

Motion

Poppy Corbett, Mark Horsham, Richard Lockhart, Eileen Logan, Julia Marrs, David Shearer

Amendment

Alex Allison, Catherine McClymont, Colin McGavigan

6 members voted for the motion and 3 for the amendment. The motion was declared carried.

The Committee decided:

- (1) that the community grant be awarded as follows:-
 - (a) Applicant: Lanark and District Archaeological Society, Lanark (CL/22/20)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £200
- (2) that the action taken by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to allocate community grants to support community groups with their response to the COVID-19 pandemic, be noted, as follows:-
 - (a) Applicant: Biggar Community Action Group
Purpose of Grant: Hot meal delivery service to elderly and vulnerable people
Amount Awarded: £900

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| (b) | Applicant: | Blackwood and Kirkmuirhill Resilience Group |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Mental health interventions for shielding people and anti-bullying packs |
| | Amount Awarded: | £960 |
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| (c) | Applicant: | Carstairs Junction Welcome All Hub |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Wellbeing boxes for elderly people |
| | Amount Awarded: | £1,000 |
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| (d) | Applicant: | Clydesdale Food Bank |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Storage boxes and trolley to support crisis food provision and food package preparation, assisting vulnerable people and families during the pandemic |
| | Amount Awarded: | £300 |
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| (e) | Applicant: | Coalburn Miners' Welfare |
| | Purpose of Grant: | 100 food boxes to assist targeted groups affected by the pandemic, including elderly and those with health conditions |
| | Amount Awarded: | £600 |
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| (f) | Applicant: | ISKCON |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Doorstep food delivery service of nutritious meals ordered online for elderly and self isolating vulnerable people |
| | Amount Awarded: | £1,000 |

[Reference: Minutes of 3 November 2020 (Paragraph 3)]

5 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.