



Council Offices, Almada Street
Hamilton, ML3 0AA

Tuesday, 01 October 2019

Dear Councillor

Clydesdale Area Committee

The Members listed below are requested to attend a meeting of the above Committee to be held as follows:-

Date: Tuesday, 08 October 2019
Time: 14:00
Venue: Biggar High School, Market Road, Biggar, ML12 6FX,

The business to be considered at the meeting is listed overleaf.

Yours sincerely

Paul Manning
Depute Chief Executive

Members

Richard Lockhart (Chair), Mark Horsham (Depute Chair), Alex Allison, Poppy Corbett, George Greenshields, Lynsey Hamilton, Eric Holford, Eileen Logan, Julia Marrs, Ian McAllan, Catherine McClymont, Colin McGavigan, David Shearer

BUSINESS

1 Declaration of Interests

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

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Minutes of the meeting of the Clydesdale Area Committee held on 13 August 2019 submitted for approval as a correct record. (Copy attached)

Item(s) for Noting

3 Education Scotland Report - Crawford Primary School, Biggar

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A report dated 20 September 2019 by the Executive Director (Education Resources). (Copy attached)

Item(s) for Decision

4 Community Grant Applications

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A report dated 23 September 2019 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached)

Urgent Business

5 Urgent Business

Any other items of business which the Chair decides are urgent.

For further information, please contact:-

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CLYDESDALE AREA COMMITTEE

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Minutes of meeting held in St Athanasius Community Hall, Carluke on 13 August 2019

Chair:

Councillor Richard Lockhart

Councillors Present:

Councillor Poppy Corbett, Councillor Eric Holford, Councillor Eileen Logan, Councillor Catherine McClymont, Councillor Colin McGavigan, Councillor David Shearer

Councillors' Apologies:

Councillor Alex Allison, Councillor George Greenshields, Councillor Lynsey Hamilton, Councillor Mark Horsham (Depute), Councillor Ian McAllan, Councillor Julia Marrs

Attending:

Finance and Corporate Resources

C Lyon, Administration Officer

1 Declaration of Interests

The following interests were declared:-

| Councillor(s) | Item(s) | Nature of Interest(s) |
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| Logan | Community Grant Applications:- <ul style="list-style-type: none">♦ St Athanasius Community Hall Management Committee, Carluke (CL/40/19)♦ Clydesdale Counselling and Human Development Project (CC and HD Project), Carluke (CL/52/19) | Member Known to applicant |

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Clydesdale Area Committee held on 14 May 2019 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

Councillor Holford entered the meeting after this item of business

3 Community Grant Applications

A report dated 30 July 2019 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on applications for community grant.

The Committee decided: that community grants be awarded as follows:-

- (a) Applicant: Carnwath Women's Rural Institute (CL/16/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200

- (b) Applicant: 1st Law Boys' Brigade (CL/20/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200
- (c) Applicant: Carstairs Senior Citizens' Association (CL/21/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing, administration and publicity costs
Amount Awarded: £300
- (d) Applicant: Ravenstruther and District Old Time and Sequence Dance Club (CL/22/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (e) Applicant: Biggar Science Festival (CL/23/19)
Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs
Amount Awarded: £350
- (f) Applicant: Lanark and District Young Farmers' Club (CL/24/19)
Purpose of Grant: Materials, equipment, administration and publicity costs
Amount Awarded: £500
- (g) Applicant: Scottish Retired Teachers' Association – Clydesdale Group, Braidwood (CL/25/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (h) Applicant: Kaimend Women's Rural Institute, Carnwath (CL/26/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200
- (i) Applicant: Robertson Women's Rural Institute (CL/27/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (j) Applicant: Forth St Paul's Church Guild (CL/28/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200
- (k) Applicant: Elsrickle Women's Rural Institute, Biggar (CL/29/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200
- (l) Applicant: Forth Sheltered Hall Committee (CL/30/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200
- (m) Applicant: Lintfieldbank Women's Rural Institute, Lesmahagow (CL/31/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200
- (n) Applicant: Law Parish Church Guild (CL/32/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (o) Applicant: Leadhills Silver Band (CL/33/19)
Purpose of Grant: Materials and equipment
Amount Awarded: £300

- (p) Applicant: Carstairs Women's Rural Institute (CL/34/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (q) Applicant: Blackwood Horticultural Society (CL/35/19)
Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs
Amount Awarded: £300
- (r) Applicant: Law OAP Welfare Association (CL/36/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200
- (s) Applicant: Auchlochan Men's Social Group, Lesmahagow (CL/38/19)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £375
- (t) Applicant: Leadhills Youth Silver Band (CL/39/19)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £300
- (u) Applicant: St Athanasius Community Hall Management Committee, Carluke (CL/40/19)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £300

Councillor Logan, having declared an interest in the above application, withdrew from the meeting during its consideration

- (v) Applicant: Douglas Horticultural Society (CL/41/19)
Purpose of Grant: Administration and publicity costs
Amount Awarded: £200
- (w) Applicant: Quothquan Women's Rural Institute (CL/43/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (x) Applicant: Clydesdale Community Concert Band, Carluke (CL/44/19)
Purpose of Grant: Start-up costs
Amount Awarded: £250
- (y) Applicant: Carluke Men's Shed (CL/45/19)
Purpose of Grant: Start-up costs
Amount Awarded: £250
- (z) Applicant: Carluke Seniors' Forum (CL/46/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (aa) Applicant: Biggar Bowling Club (CL/47/19)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £300
- (bb) Applicant: Abington Bowling Club (CL/48/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200

- (cc) Applicant: Crawfordjohn Heritage Venture Trust, Biggar (CL/49/19)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment, administration and publicity costs
Amount Awarded: £350
- (dd) Applicant: Scottish Old People's Welfare Committee (Douglas Branch) (CL/50/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing and entrance fees
Amount Awarded: £250
- (ee) Applicant: Abington Women's Rural Institute (CL/51/19)
Purpose of Grant: Outing
Amount Awarded: £200
- (ff) Applicant: Clydesdale Counselling and Human Development Project (CC and HD Project), Carluke (CL/52/19)
Purpose of Grant: Equipment
Amount Awarded: £330

Councillor Logan, having declared an interest in the above application, withdrew from the meeting during its consideration

4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

Report

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| Report to: | Clydesdale Area Committee |
| Date of Meeting: | 8 October 2019 |
| Report by: | Executive Director (Education Resources) |

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| Subject: | Education Scotland Report - Crawford Primary School, Biggar |
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ♦ advise of the outcome of the inspection of Crawford Primary School, Biggar by Education Scotland inspectors

2. Recommendation(s)

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

- (1) that the Education Scotland Report on Crawford Primary School, Biggar be noted.

3. Background

- 3.1. Education Scotland undertook an inspection of the quality of educational provision within Crawford Primary School in June 2019.
- 3.2. As part of the revised approach to inspection, the Education Scotland inspectors evaluated over two days learning, teaching and assessment and raising attainment and achievement.
- 3.3. The inspection team analysed questionnaires issued to a sample of parents, pupils and to all staff. Inspectors observed class lessons and interviewed groups of pupils, including the pupil council and staff. Members of the inspection team also met parents and members of the local community.
- 3.4. The report by Education Scotland was published on 17 September 2019.

4. Findings of HM Inspectors

4.1. The particular strengths of the school were identified as follows:-

- ♦ a caring, inclusive environment where children are well supported through a collaborative approach from a whole staff team
- ♦ children who are well behaved, confident and articulate. They are supported by strong parental partnerships and take a pride in their school and community
- ♦ strong relationships and a positive climate for learning. These are fostered by the headteacher and staff team and are impacting positively on the experiences and outcomes for all children

- 4.2. Education Scotland found that children are offered enjoyable learning experiences in well-resourced and motivating learning environments, indoors and outdoors. Children understand the purpose of learning through clear outlines of expectations and targets for success.
- 4.3. Children's experiences in Crawford Primary School are enhanced through working closely with neighbouring schools, particularly Abington Primary and Leadhills Primary Schools. They co-operate in activities such as sports events and residential trips. These activities also aid transition to secondary school.
- 4.4. The headteacher and staff know the children and families very well. They are well aware of the local context and their need to extend the children's horizons when looking at developing skills for life, learning and work.
- 4.5. Education Scotland identified the following areas for continued improvement:-
- ♦ continue to extend opportunities for children to lead improvements in the school, including leadership and independence in their own learning
 - ♦ continue to look outwards, collaborating with other schools, to support the school's drive to develop fully children's experiences. Maintain and build on the current high standards in attainment and achievement
- 4.6. As well as welcoming the strengths of the school it should be noted that the areas for continued improvement have been incorporated into the school's improvement plan.
- 4.7. Education Scotland have intimated that they are confident that the school will be able to take forward the areas for improvement and will make no more visits in connection with this report. Progress on the identified areas for improvement have and continue to be shared with parents.

5. Employee Implications

- 5.1. None.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1. None.

7. Other Implications

- 7.1. There are no direct risks associated with this report which is provided for information only.
- 7.2. There are no significant sustainability issues in connection with the recommendations contained within this report.

8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 8.1. There is no requirement to carry out an assessment in terms of the proposals contained within this report.
- 8.2. The content of Education Scotland reports are shared with parents and discussed at Parent Council meetings.

Tony McDaid
Executive Director (Education Resources)

20 September 2019

Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

- ◆ Get it right for children and young people
- ◆ Protect vulnerable children, young people and adults
- ◆ Improve achievement, raise educational attainment and support lifelong learning
- ◆ Ensure schools and other places of learning are inspirational

Previous References

- ◆ None

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Education Scotland Report, 17 September 2019

Contact for Further Information

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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17 September 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

In June 2019, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Crawford Primary School. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and children and worked closely with the headteacher and staff.

The inspection team found the following strengths in the school's work.

- The caring, inclusive environment where children are well supported through a collaborative approach from a whole staff team.
- Children who are well behaved, confident and articulate. They are supported by strong parental partnerships and take a pride in their school and community.
- Strong relationships and a positive climate for learning. These are fostered by the headteacher and staff team and are impacting positively on the experiences and outcomes for all children.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the headteacher and a representative from South Lanarkshire Council.

- Continue to extend opportunities for children to lead improvements in the school, including leadership and independence in their own learning.
- Continue to look outwards, collaborating with other schools, to support the school's drive to develop fully children's experiences. Maintain and build on the current high standards in attainment and achievement.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using quality indicators from [How good is our school? \(4th edition\)](#). Quality indicators help schools, local authorities and inspectors to judge what is working well and what needs to be improved. Following the inspection of each school, the Scottish Government gathers details of our evaluations to keep track of how well Scottish schools are doing.

Here are Education Scotland's evaluations for Crawford Primary School

| Quality indicators | Evaluation |
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| Learning, teaching and assessment | good |
| Raising attainment and achievement | good |
| Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: How good is our school? (4th edition), Appendix 3: The six-point scale | |

A more detailed document called Summarised Inspection Findings (SIF) will be available on the Education Scotland website at:

<https://education.gov.scot/inspection-reports/south-lanarkshire/8546924>

What happens next?

We are confident that the school has the capacity to continue to improve and so we will make no more visits in connection with this inspection. South Lanarkshire Council will inform parents/carers about the school's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its schools.

James P. McCrory
HM Inspector

Report

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Report to: **Clydesdale Area Committee**
 Date of Meeting: **8 October 2019**
 Report by: **Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)**

Subject: **Community Grant Applications**

1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ request approval for the allocation of community grants to 6 community groups in the Clydesdale area from the 2019/2020 community grant 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: | Cargill House Club, Lanark (CL/53/19) |
| | Amount Requested: | £250 |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (b) | Applicant: | Black Mount Community Council, Biggar (CL/54/19) |
| | Amount Requested: | £200 |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Publicity costs |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |
| (c) | Applicant: | Scottish Women's Rural Institute (Douglas Branch) (CL/55/19) |
| | Amount Requested: | £250 |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and entrance fees |
| | Amount Awarded: | £250 |
| (d) | Applicant: | Biggar and District U3A, Biggar (CL/56/19) |
| | Amount Requested: | £750 |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment |
| | Amount Awarded: | £500 |
| (e) | Applicant: | Coalburn Bronze Band (CL/57/19) |
| | Amount Requested: | £300 |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Outing |
| | Amount Awarded: | £200 |

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| (f) Applicant: | Law Community Trust, Carluke (CL/58/19) |
| Amount Requested: | £518 |
| Purpose of Grant: | Equipment |
| Amount Awarded: | £400 |

3. Background

- 3.1. The Council operates a community grants scheme to support local constituted community groups and voluntary organisations. Applications are invited continually throughout the 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 Clydesdale Area in 2019/2020 is as follows:-

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| Total allocation for Community Grants | £25,750 |
| Grants previously allocated | £14,948 |
| Community Grants recommended in this report | £ 1,750 |
| Remaining balance | £ 9,052 |

6. Other Implications

- 6.1. The risk to the Council is that grant funding is not utilised for the purpose of which it was intended. This risk is mitigated by internal controls including audit procedures and 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)

23 September 2019

Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

- ◆ Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent. Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities

Previous References

- ◆ Clydesdale Area Committee, 13 August 2019

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Individual application forms

Contact for Further Information

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