

Report

Report to:	Hamilton Area Committee
Date of Meeting:	21 June 2022
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject:	Playscheme Grant Applications 2022/2023
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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 2022/2023.

2. Recommendation(s)

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

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

(a) Applicant: Childcare in the Community, Hamilton
(PS/HA/1/22)
Amount Awarded: £600

(b) Applicant: Blameless SCIO, Hamilton (PS/HA/2/22)
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 2022/2023.

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 to support Playschemes and Community Grants in the Hamilton area in 2022/2023 was £25,750. The proposed grants amounting to £1,200 recommended for playscheme grants in this report for approval, will be met from the Area Committee's playscheme and community grant budget, leaving £24,550 to administer community grants for the remainder of 2022/2023.

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)

25 May 2022

Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/ Objectives

- ◆ Improve the lives and prospects of everyone in South Lanarkshire.

Previous References

Hamilton Area Committee – 9 June 2021

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Individual playscheme grant application forms

Contact for Further Information

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