

CLYDESDALE AREA COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held via Microsoft Teams on 23 March 2021

Chair:

Councillor Richard Lockhart

Councillors Present:

Councillor Alex Allison, Councillor Poppy Corbett, Councillor George Greenshields, Councillor Lynsey Hamilton, Councillor Eric Holford, Councillor Mark Horsham (Depute), Councillor Eileen Logan, Councillor Julia Marrs, Councillor Catherine McClymont, Councillor Colin McGavigan

Councillors' Apologies:

Councillor Ian McAllan, Councillor David Shearer

Attending:

Finance and Corporate Resources

C Lyon, Administration Officer; L Wyllie, Administration Assistant

Chair's Opening Remarks

The Chair, on behalf of members, extended sincere condolences to Councillor David Shearer and his family on the death of his mother.

1 Declaration of Interests

The following interest was declared:-

Councillor(s)	Item(s)	Nature of Interest(s)
Marrs	Community Grant Application (CL/24/20) Lanark Tennis Club, Lanark	Member

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Clydesdale Area Committee held on 26 January 2021 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

3 Community Grant Applications

A report dated 8 March 2021 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on applications for community grants.

In view of the fact that this was the last meeting of the Committee in the current financial year and to allow best use to be made of the remaining 2020/2021 community grant budget, it was proposed that the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, be authorised to approve any further community grant applications meeting the relevant criteria in the period to 31 March 2021. Those grants awarded would be reported to the next meeting of the Area Committee for noting.

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Chair would write to the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) advising that members of this Committee wished any unspent monies at the end of this financial year to be carried forward and added to the 2021/2022 community grant budget. Members of the Committee also indicated that they would contact their own Group Leaders to ask that that this matter be brought to the attention of the Chief Executive.

During discussion, having noted that the current criteria for the award of community grants had not been updated for some time, it was considered that the criteria be reviewed.

The Committee decided:

(1) that the community grants be awarded as follows:-

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| (a) | Applicant: | Coalburn Homing Club, Coalburn (CL/23/20) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment |
| | Amount Awarded: | £300 |
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| (b) | Applicant: | Lanark Tennis Club, Lanark (CL/24/20) |
| | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment |
| | Amount Awarded: | £300 |

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

- (2) that, to ensure that the remaining 2020/2021 community grant budget was utilised as fully as possible, the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, be authorised to approve community grant applications in the period to 31 March 2021, subject to the applications meeting the Council's criteria for receipt of funding;
- (3) that the details of those applications approved be reported to the next meeting of the Area Committee for noting;
- (4) that the Chair write to the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) on behalf of the Committee to request that any unspent monies from this financial year be carried forward and added to the 2021/2022 community grant budget; and
- (5) that arrangements be made to review the current criteria for the award of community grants.

[Reference: Minutes of 26 January 2021 (Paragraph 4)]

4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.