

# Report

Report to:	<b>Clydesdale Area Committee</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>22 June 2022</b>
Report by:	<b>Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)</b>

Subject:	<b>Community Grant Applications</b>
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## 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ request approval for the allocation of community grants to 12 community groups in the Clydesdale Area Committee area from the 2022/2023 community grant budget
- ◆ advise on community grants approved by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, in the period from the last Area Committee on 15 February 2022 to the end of the financial year on 31 March 2022

## 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:             | Kirkfieldbank Homing and Sporting Club, Lanark (CL/1/22)                      |
| Purpose of Grant:          | Equipment, administration and publicity costs                                 |
| Eligible Amount Requested: | £270  |
| Recommendation:            | £270  |
| Amount Awarded:            | To be determined by the Committee   |
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| (b) Applicant:             | Scottish Retired Teachers Association – Clydesdale Group, Braidwood (CL/2/22) |
| Purpose of Grant:          | Outing and entrance fees  |
| Eligible Amount Requested: | £250  |
| Recommendation:            | £250  |
| Amount Awarded:            | To be determined by the Committee   |
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| (c) Applicant:             | Elsrickle Women's Rural Institute, Biggar (CL/4/22)                           |
| Purpose of Grant:          | Outing  |
| Eligible Amount Requested: | £200  |
| Recommendation :           | £200  |
| Amount Awarded:            | To be determined by the Committee   |

- (d) Applicant: Clydesdale Community Concert Band, Carluke (CL/5/22)  
 Purpose of Grant: Equipment  
 Eligible Amount Requested: £1,000  
 Recommendation: £720  
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (e) Applicant: Barn Buddies Community Interest Company, Carluke (CL/6/22)  
 Purpose of Grant: Start-up costs - Equipment  
 Eligible Amount Requested: £1,000  
 Recommendation: £250  
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (f) Applicant: Wild Things Scotland CIC, Biggar (CL/7/22)  
 Purpose of Grant: Equipment and materials  
 Eligible Amount Requested: £934  
 Recommendation: £600  
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (g) Applicant: Cargill House Club, Lanark (CL/8/22)  
 Purpose of Grant: Outing  
 Eligible Amount Requested: £300  
 Recommendation: £200  
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (h) Applicant: Abington Bowling Club (CL/9/22)  
 Purpose of Grant: Equipment  
 Eligible Amount Requested: £696  
 Recommendation: £300  
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (i) Applicant: Crawfordjohn Public Hall Association (CL/10/22)  
 Purpose of Grant: Equipment  
 Eligible Amount Requested: £600  
 Recommendation: £500  
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (j) Applicant: St Nicholas Pre School Playgroup, Lanark (CL/11/22)  
 Purpose of Grant: Materials  
 Eligible Amount Requested: £480  
 Recommendation: £450  
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee
- (k) Applicant: Leadhills Silver Band (CL/12/22)  
 Purpose of Grant: Materials  
 Eligible Amount Requested: £556  
 Recommendation: £500  
 Amount Awarded: To be determined by the Committee

(I) Applicant:	Lanark and District Archaeological Society, Lanark (CL/13/22)
Purpose of Grant:	Outing and entrance fees
Eligible Amount Requested:	£250
Recommendation:	£250
Amount Awarded:	To be determined by the Committee

- (2) that the action taken by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to approve the award of community grants in the period from the last Area Committee to the end of the financial year 2021/2022 to the groups detailed in Appendix 1, be noted.

### **3. Background**

- 3.1. The Council operates a community grants scheme to support local constituted community groups and voluntary organisations. 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. Applications are invited continually throughout the year.
- 3.2. The main aims of the community grants scheme are to:-
- ◆ fund activities and projects which bring community benefit
  - ◆ involve people in the community by bringing them together to enjoy educational, recreational, leisure and other community activities or to improve the local environment
- 3.3. Support can be provided for a range of activities including administration and publicity costs, purchase of equipment and materials, annual outings and entrance fees, start-up costs and special events.

### **4. Employee Implications**

- 4.1. None.

### **5 Applications Approved Under Delegated Authority**

- 5.1 At its meeting held on 15 February 2022, the Area Committee authorised the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, to approve any further community grant applications in the period from 15 February to 31 March 2022. This was subject to applications meeting the Council's criteria for receipt of funding. It was also agreed that a report on any awards made would be submitted to the next meeting of the Area Committee for noting.
- 5.2 In line with the decision taken at the previous meeting of the Committee, 6 applications, as detailed in Appendix 1, for £1,915 were approved by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair, during the period 15 February to 31 March 2022.

## **6. Financial Implications**

- 6.1. The current position of the community for the Clydesdale Area Committee area in 2022/2023 is as follows:-

Total allocation for Community Grants	£25,750
Community grants allocated in this report	£ 4,490
Remaining balance	*£20,660

\*see paragraph 6.2 below

- 6.2. On the basis that the playscheme grant detailed in a separate report on this agenda amounting to £600 is approved, the remaining balance for allocation throughout the year is £20,660
- 6.3 Any unspent monies in the 2021/2022 financial year community grants budget distributed by Area Committees are being carried forward in reserves and could cover any other application by groups in the current financial year

## **7. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications**

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

## **8. Other Implications**

- 8.1. 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.

## **9. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements**

- 9.1. 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.
- 9.2. All the necessary consultation with the community groups has taken place.

**Paul Manning**

**Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)**

6 June 2022

## **Link(s) to Council Vision/Priorities/Values**

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

## **Previous References**

- ◆ Clydesdale Area Committee – 15 February 2022

## **List of Background Papers**

- ◆ Individual application forms

## **Contact for Further Information**

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

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**Community grants approved by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) in consultation with the Chair, in the period from 15 February to 31 March 2022**

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| (a) | Applicant:        | Biggar and District Community Heritage, Biggar<br>(CL/16/21)           |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment, administration and publicity costs                          |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £240   |
| (b) |                   |  |
|     | Applicant:        | Equitots Lanarkshire Community Interest<br>Company, Carluke (CL/21/21) |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Equipment, administration and publicity costs                          |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £325   |
| (c) |                   |  |
|     | Applicant:        | Lanark Men's Shed (CL/22/21)   |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Start-up costs – Equipment and advertising costs                       |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £250   |
| (d) |                   |  |
|     | Applicant:        | Lanark and District U3A, Lanark (CL/23/21)                             |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and entrance fees   |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £250   |
| (e) |                   |  |
|     | Applicant:        | Hawksland Women's Rural Institute, Lesmahagow<br>(CL/24/21)            |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Outing and entrance fees   |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £250   |
| (c) |                   |  |
|     | Applicant:        | Lesmahagow Farmers' Society (CL/25/21)                                 |
|     | Purpose of Grant: | Administration and publicity costs                                     |
|     | Amount Awarded:   | £600   |