

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

CABINET – 8 JULY 2009

GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION EAST AYRSHIRE (SOUTH) FORUM ON DISABILITY

Report by Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Cabinet of a grant funding request from the East Ayrshire (South) Forum on Disability, and to make recommendations accordingly.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At the then Policy & Resources Committee of 7 February 2007, a report was presented by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support regarding future funding of East Ayrshire Access Panel (North District) and Cumnock and Doon Valley Access Panel; and Kilmarnock Forum on Disability and East Ayrshire (South) Forum on Disability.
- 2.2 Policy & Resources Committee agreed that in the future, funding for these organisations should be considered by the Policy & Resources Committee and it is now appropriate to submit these matters to Cabinet.
- 2.3 East Ayrshire South Forum on Disability was formed in 1996. The remit of the Forum is to provide information and advice to all communities within Cumnock and Doon Valley. It provides a service for aids and adaptations to houses and assists people with a disability to complete Benefits Forms.
- 2.4 East Ayrshire (South) Forum on Disability is one of the key voluntary sector organisations involved in the Council's new Equalities Forum on Disability.

3. PURPOSE OF GRANT REQUEST

- 3.1 The purpose of the grant request is to support the East Ayrshire (South) Forum on Disability in relation to general running costs i.e. transport to conferences, seminars and home visits; public liability insurance; coalfield Community Transport membership; and miscellaneous expenses (telephone, stamps and administration).

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The amount of funding requested by the East Ayrshire (South) Forum on Disability is £2780.
- 4.2 Annual provision £14,152.20 has been made in 2009/10 within Central Services for Access Panels and Disability Forums.

5. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Nil.

6. LEGAL/PERSONNEL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Nil.

7. COMMUNITY PLANNING

7.1 The provision of support to this group meets the overall aims of the East Ayrshire Community Plan and supports the Council in terms of diversity and equality.

8. RISK MANAGEMENT

8.1 A full grant assessment has been completed in respect of the grant application by the Department of Educational and Social Services.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 Members of the Cabinet are asked to:

- i) agree to the funding request of £2780 for the East Ayrshire (South) Forum on Disability; and
- ii) otherwise note the content of the report.

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26 June 2009
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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. East Ayrshire (South) Forum on Disability Grant Application – TC4312

Members wishing further information should contact Dot Grieve, Principal Officer, Community Learning and Development.

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