

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE – 6 MAY 2004

LOCAL COMMITTEE GRANT SCHEME 2003/2004 – JOHN KNOX TODDLERS

Report by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to advise the Local Committee of a request from John Knox Toddlers to utilise part of the grant awarded for toys, joiner, music box, coach fees and soft play fees on a summer trip.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Northern Area Local Committee at its meeting held on 28 May 2003 approved an application from John Knox Toddlers for £2000 for toys, joiner, music box, coach fees and soft play fees.
- 2.2 Subsequently the group has submitted a Financial Assistance Progress Report advising that a balance of £223.19 remains unspent and requesting authority to spend the balance on a summer trip in June of this year.
- 2.3 As members will be aware, the conditions of Grant associated with the award state that “if the costs actually incurred on any project are less than the amount approved the remainder of the grant must be returned to the Council”.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 If the Committee takes the decision that the monies should be returned to the Local Committee Budget then this amount of £223.19 will be included in the Local Committee Budget for 2004/05.

4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Grant Scheme will operate within policy guidelines as detailed in the Council’s procedures document – APB27-External Funding (January 2004), issued in accordance with the Code of Guidance on Funding External Bodies and Following the Public Pound.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS - Nil

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1 The committee is asked to consider the following options:-
- (a) agree that the group be allowed to use the balance of £223.19 from the award approved in May 2003 for an educational trip to take place in June of this year; or
 - (b) to request that the group return the balance of £223.19 to the Local Committee.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Application form from John Knox Toddlers
2. Progress Report from John Knox Toddlers

Any person wishing to inspect the Background Papers relative to this report should contact Christine Baillie, Administrative Officer on 01563 576129. Any person wishing further information on this report should contact Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager on 01563 576135

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