

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

DOON VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE - 22 MAY 2001

COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2001/2002

FINANCIAL POSITION

Report by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

ANNUAL BUDGET	£23,522.00	
CATEGORY	VALUE OF GRANTS PAID TO DATE	VALUE OF GRANTS SET OUT IN ATTACHED SCHEDULE
Arts and Cultural	-	£685.70
Community Association	-	-
Community Councils	-	-
Community Safety	-	-
Disability	-	£6,010.00
Early Education and Childcare	-	£800.00
Economic Development	-	-
Environmental	-	-
Ethnic Minorities	-	£883.00
Health Issues	-	-
Heritage	-	-
Leisure Activities	-	£300.00
Older People	-	£4,677.00
Social Inclusion	-	-
Sport	-	-
Tenants/Residents Groups	-	-
Unemployment	-	-
Women's Issues	-	£513.33
Young People	-	£1,225.60
TOTAL	-	£15,094.63
BALANCE	-	£8,427.37

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SUMMARY STATEMENT BY THE DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE/DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE RESOURCES

(A) ARTS AND CULTURAL

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
Dalmellington Band	Assistance with the cost of a trip to Switzerland to participate in a Music Festival.	£10,000.00	£1,500.00	£8,500.00	£786.90	N/A	Cumnock Area - £214.30; and Doon Valley - £685.70 Total - £900.00

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Community Services) has recommended support of this project. It is explained that the Band applied for a grant under Community Services "Awards to Bands Scheme". This Scheme entitles Band to a £400 grant towards yearly running costs. The Band have been invited to attend a Music Festival in Switzerland which involves 12 top bands from various countries. A Band from Switzerland will be visiting Dalmellington in September 2001. As this is a special application, the Local Committee are requested to consider a community grant payment. The cross-boundary split is based on the proportion of membership attending the event who live in the respective Local Committee areas.

(B) DISABILITY

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
Cumnock and Doon Valley Deaf Club	Transport costs; hall lets; running costs; craft materials; and trips.	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	Nil	£2,316.73	Cumnock Area - £1,126.00; and Doon Valley - £885.62.	Cumnock Area - £2,300.00; and Doon Valley - £700.00. <u>Total - £3,000.00</u>

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this organisation which provides a social outlet for the deaf community. The Group fundraise and provide trips to shops at Christmas as well as other outings. Transport and hall lets, provided by East Ayrshire Council accounts for a total of £1,881.60 of the total recommended grant. The split is based on the proportion of members who live in the respective Local Committee areas.

(B) DISABILITY (Con't)

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
East Ayrshire South Forum on Disability	Travel to meetings; admin/postage/car phone; IT upgrades; publicity; information/subscriptions; public meetings; and Conference expenses.	£2,220.00	£1,720.00	£500.00	£1,822.10	Cumnock Area - £800.00; and Doon Valley - £800.00	Cumnock Area - £1,035; and Doon Valley - £465.00. <u>Total - £1,500.00</u>

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this organisation. The expenditure will enable the Group to continue representation on all Committees and Liaison Meetings. The Group represents the disabled at many Conferences and meetings and actively works to support disabled people and addresses issues pertaining to them. The grant would enable the Group to continue to function their present level and allow them to expand and increase their activities.

The cross-boundary split is based on the proportion of financial allocation to the respective Local Committees (Doon Valley 31% and Cumnock Area 69%).

Cumnock and Doon Valley Access Panel	Admin, running costs and telephone; advertisement for Annual General Meeting; Seminars and travelling expenses; and Yipworld.com.	£600.00	£600.00	Nil	£309.17	Cumnock Area - £200.00; and Doon Valley - £100.00 Total - £300.00	Cumnock Area - £414.00; and Doon Valley - £186.00. <u>Total - £600.00</u>
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COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this Group. The grant would allow the Group to continue in their work of identifying areas requiring disabled access in the Cumnock and Doon Valley Area. The Group is a point of contact for disabled issues, advice on access and work towards access to buildings in Cumnock and Doon Valley and provide a valuable service to the disabled community in the area.

The cross-boundary split is based on the proportion of financial allocation to the respective Local Committees (Doon Valley 31% and Cumnock Area 69%).

(B) DISABILITY(Con't)

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
South East Ayrshire Disabled Club	Arts and crafts materials; heating and running costs; Summer trip and Christmas party.	£3,500.00	£2,000.00	£1,500.00	£1,137.55	Cumnock Area - £1,000.00; and Doon Valley - £1,000.00 Total - £2,000.00	Cumnock Area - £1,000.00; and Doon Valley - £1,000.00 Total - £2,000.00

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this organisation which provides ongoing and consistent opportunities for individuals with a disability living in the South of East Ayrshire (Cumnock and Doon Valley) to participate in activities. The funding would allow the Group to continue with their activities. The balance of the costs would be met through fund-raising by the Group themselves. This Group has now been operating for a number of years and the opportunities provided are valued by the participants.

Cumnock and Doon Valley Independent Living Group	Arts and craft work; annual Summer and Christmas outing; postage and stationery costs; and volunteers expenses.	£1,730.00	£1,530.00	£200.00	£1,235.99	Cumnock Area - £1,067.00; and Doon Valley - £300.00 Total - £1,367.00	Cumnock Area - £1,071.00; and Doon Valley - £459.00 Total - £1,530.00
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COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this organisation which aims to safeguard and promote the interests of disabled people in the Cumnock and Doon Valley Area. The Group meets for social and recreation purposes, thus addressing the issues of isolation. The Group are working hard to create a safe, welcoming environment independently from institutionalised care. Limited incomes mean that the Group require additional funding support.

(B) DISABILITY (Con't)

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
Bonnie Doon PHAB Club	Trip to Blackpool; and transport costs.	£4,482.00	£3,982.00	£500.00	£433.28	£2,000.00	£2,800.00

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this organisation. Its purpose is to create a social venue where physically disabled persons can be brought into association with able bodied people. The grant would allow the organisation to continue to give its members a valued service. The Committee work hard in the community at ways of raising funds towards their trip each year. It is considered that the Group could contribute more towards the cost of the project and with this in mind have planned 3 forthcoming fund raising events.

The Thursday Club (Doon Valley Parents Support Group)	Trip to Southernness: caravan rental; food provisions; and transport costs; and entertainment.	£550.00	£400.00	£150.00	£721.00	£550.00	£400.00
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COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this organisation which provides respite for the parents of children/young people with special needs, as well as providing the children/young people with the opportunity to participate in a range of activities within the Club. The trip provides a much needed break and respite for the families concerned. This project represents the single most expensive part of the Group's expenditure and it is very important to their members.

(E) EARLY EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
Dalmellington Mother and Toddlers Group	Start-up grant for running costs; stationery; and equipment etc.	£350.00	£350.00	Nil	£135.00	N/A	£350.00

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended support of this organisation which will allow parents to offer their children the opportunity to mix with their peer group in a social setting. Current funds will be used for a Summer trip. The requested start-up grant would be used to cover initial expenses until the group becomes firmly established.

Happy Hens, Drongan	Equipment; running costs; trips; and demonstrators expenses.	£600.00	£450.00	£150.00	£102.61	£450.00	£450.00
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COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this organisation, which aims to promote social and education opportunities for women and mothers and their children residing in the Drongan area. The grant would enable the Group to continue to provide better educational toys and equipment for the children and to develop social/educational skills for parents. This is a self sufficient group which has benefited from previous grants and focus on local issues and pre-school development/opportunities for children.

(F) ETHNIC MINORITIES

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
Asian Culture Group	Tutor expenses; let fees; books/equipment/stationery; and cultural visits.	£3,550.00	£2,650.00	£900.00	£36.50	Cumnock Area - £933.00; and Doon Valley - £250.00 Total - £1,183.00	Cumnock Area - £1,767.00; and Doon Valley - £883.00 Total - £2,650.00

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this group which aims to promote social inclusion and reduce the isolation felt by Asian Groups within the community. The grant would enable the Group to continue their Urdu and Arabic language classes for a further year. It would also allow the expansion of their Summer and Easter educational and social programme which involves all family members. The Group's plans for next year includes setting up a men's group and are in the very early stages of investigating the possibilities of acquiring their own premises.

(G) LEISURE ACTIVITIES

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
Drongan and District Horticultural Society	Cost of Annual Flower Show.	£1,100.00	£300.00	£800.00	£586.62	£300.00	£300.00

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Community Services) has recommended continued support of this organisation, in the provision of an annual Flower Show for the village. The Group holds monthly talks and demonstrations throughout the year, ending their year with the annual show of garden produce and handcrafts.

(H) OLDER PEOPLE

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
Drongan Old People's Welfare Association	Summer trip; and party.	£5,600.00	£2,600.00	£3,000.00	£4,560.46	£1,834.00	£2,600.00

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this organisation. The grant would assist the organisation to provide activities for the older people in the village. The Group attract a substantial income from fundraising and make a significant contribution to the cost of their projects. The recommendation is not based on a per capita formula. The Group's registered membership is currently 540 members.

(H) OLDER PEOPLE (Con't)

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
Patna District Concern and Age Concern	Day trip; tea dance; and gifts to housebound.	£2,000.00	£1,500.00	£500.00	£1,031.44	£1,286.00	£1,377.00

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this organisation which addresses priorities associated with social isolation and the elderly. The grant would enable the organisation to continue to provide various social functions for the elderly in the community. The Group have a total registered membership of 405.

Patna Over 60's	Coach outing with lunch, high tea and refreshments provided.	£1,400.00	£1,000.00	£400.00	£2,526.03	N/A	£700.00
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COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended support of this organisation, which provides social functions for older people in the community. The grant would allow the Club to continue to offer support and a social outing for the over 60's in Patna/Dalmellington. The recommended grant reflects the cost of the transport. While the Group did not apply for grant funding during last financial year, a grant of £500.00 was made by this Committee in November 1999.

(I) YOUNG PEOPLE

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
Dalrymple Boys and Girls Football Club	Purchase of metal storage containers.	£960.00	£760.00	£100.00 (further £100.00 donated by Dalrymple Amateurs FC)	£24.00	N/A	£700.60 (subject to appropriate permissions in respect of siting of the containers)

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Community Services) has recommended support of this project. The Club badly needs storage for equipment which is at present stored in the dressing room area, an unacceptable arrangement. The Club provides a much needed recreation facility in the village for children and the Assessing Department considers this to be a worthy application.

Ayrshire South Guide Association	Running costs:- admin, postage, travel, stationery, and purchase of computer; programme costs and training costs.	£8,500.00	£3,500.00	£5,000.00	£234.02	Cumnock Area - £333.00; and Doon Valley - £167.00 Total - £500.00	Cumnock Area - £2,975.00; and Doon Valley - £525.00. Total - £3,500.00
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COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended continued support of this organisation. Community action projects are implemented throughout East Ayrshire. Through active participation young people develop personal, social and educational skills. Although the Group's financial accounts show a healthy balance, they are making a considerable contribution towards the cost of the project. The applicant's have stated that a substantial amount of their funds will be used to purchase ICT equipment this year which will further develop the Group.

(J) WOMEN'S ISSUES

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	RECOMMENDED GRANT
East Ayrshire Women's Aid, Cumnock and Doon Valley	Cost for Summer and October Playschemes.	£1,537.00	£1,537.00	Nil	£11,875.80	Cumnock Area - £1,145.00; and Doon Valley - £572.50	Cumnock Area - £1,024.66; and Doon Valley - £513.33. Total - £1,537.00

COMMENTS:- The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended support for this project. The organisation provides support to women and children who have experienced abuse. The Playscheme will specifically offer a social outlet for families resident in the Women's Refuge. The families and in particular the children, would not have the opportunity to take these activities without this support. The Refuge has a small play room which does not admit activities to take place within the premises. The funds currently held by the organisation are used to finance staffing, property costs etc., and there is no provision in the Group's budget to meet Playscheme costs.

14 May 2001

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AGENDA