

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE - 30 OCTOBER 2001

COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2001/2002

UPDATED FINANCIAL POSITION

Report by Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

ANNUAL BUDGET	£16,598.00	
CATEGORY	VALUE OF GRANTS PAID TO DATE	VALUE OF GRANTS SET OUT IN ATTACHED SCHEDULE
Arts & Cultural	£962.50	£2,500.00
Community Association	-	-
Community Councils	-	£980.00
Community Safety	£200.00	-
Disability	£145.16	£206.00
Early Education & Childcare	£1,116.25	-
Economic Development	-	-
Environmental	-	-
Ethnic Minorities	-	-
Health Issues	-	-
Heritage	-	-
Leisure Activities	£3,330.91*	-
Older People	£3,974.54	£2,204.85
Social Inclusion	-	£250.00
Sport	£2,739.15	To be confirmed
Tenants/Residents Groups	-	-
Unemployment	-	-
Women's Issues	-	-
Young People	£538.00	-
TOTAL	£13,006.51	£6,140.85
BALANCE	£3,591.49	(£2,549.36)

* including £300 returned by Howard Park Bowling Club in respect of a grant awarded to it under delegated authority during summer 2001.

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SUMMARY STATEMENT BY THE 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
Kilmarnock and District History Group, c/o Moorfield Avenue, Kilmarnock (130 users)	25 plaques (£500 each), 15,000 information leaflets (£6,000), research (£2,500), administration costs (£300) and contingency allowance (£1,200)	£22,500.00	£2,500.00	£2,500.00 (in addition to £16,000 heritage lottery funding, £1,000 from Enterprise Ayrshire and an anticipated £500 in sponsorship)	£407.54 as at 20 July 2001		£2,500.00

COMMENTS:- The group was founded in 1972 and is affiliated to Ayrshire Federation of Historical Societies, as well as being a member of the Scottish Local History Forum. The aim of the group is to stimulate local, national and international history by means of lectures, excursions, research, production of publications and other relevant projects. Membership is open to all and the current age range is 20 to 80+ with an average attendance of 70 at lectures and 30 at excursions.

The Assessing Department (Community Services) recommends an award of £2,500 conditional upon (i) the group establishing who has responsibility of insuring and maintaining the plaques in the long term; (ii) a successful outcome to the heritage lottery bid; and (iii) braille being included on all plaques. The Assessing Department comments that the application would contribute to local understanding of Kilmarnock's heritage as well as adding to the range of visitor attractions within the Town. Kilmarnock has many sites of historical interest which are not currently widely known. The project would address this, enabling local people to gain a better understanding of the history. The project would encourage people to have more respect for their town and would generate interest in local landmarks. The Assessing Department concludes that the application has the ability to attract £17,500 of external funds for a worthwhile local project.

(B) COMMUNITY COUNCILS

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
Gatehead Community Council, Gatehead Community Centre, Gatehead	Senior citizens Christmas dinner (£450 catering, £100 hall and £140 band) and children's Christmas outing (£290.00)	£980.00	£980.00	Nil	£147.53 as at 31 August 2001	£710.00 in October 2000	£900.00

COMMENTS:- The Community Council has been in continued operation since 1977 and acts in the interest of the welfare and wellbeing of all residents of Gatehead. The Community Council itself is open to any local electors over the age of 18 years.

The Department of Community Services (Assessing Department) recommends an award of £900 and comments that the events would benefit all senior citizens and children aged 8-16 in the village (approximately 50 seniors and 40 children). This would create positive social interaction. The Community Council is supporting the events by funding the bus to the pantomime and providing voluntary labour for the senior citizens party. It is suggested that parents be asked to make a small contribution to the cost of the pantomime.

(C) DISABILITY

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 1999/2000	RECOMMENDED GRANT
Archway PHAB Club, S & R Wing, Grange Academy, Beech Road, Kilmarnock (33 members)	In order to function the Group requires funding for transport and hall lets.	£1,800.00	£1,700.00	£100.00	£123.00	£1,500.00	£1,700.00 Irvine Valley - £309.00; Northern Area - £103.00; Kilmarnock North - £309.00; Kilmarnock Central - £206.00; and Kilmarnock South - £773.00.

COMMENTS:- The Contact PHAB Club was founded in 1973 to give people with disabilities and non-disabled an opportunity to meet weekly for social and recreation purposes during evenings. The main aim is to integrate people with various disabilities back into the community on a level par with able-bodied members of the community. The Group is open to anyone over the age of 18 years. The Group currently has 33 members. This application is cross boundary and the division is based on the number of members residing within the Local Committee area as shown:- Irvine Valley (6); Northern Area (2); Kilmarnock North (6); Kilmarnock Central (4); and Kilmarnock South (15).

The Assessing Officer (Educational and Social Services) recommends that the award of grant be made on the following basis:-

- (i) the award of the application will reduce social exclusion by giving members of the community an opportunity to interact and become involved in the local community; and
- (ii) it is considered that the award of expenditure is necessary in order for the group to function and to provide opportunity for community participation.

(C) DISABILITY (Cont...)

ORGANISATION	MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR	GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION	LATEST BANK BALANCE	GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001	GRANT AWARDED
Cessnock Club, c/o Wayside, Thornhill, By Galston, KA4 8NF	Transport hire for the period from August 2001 to June 2002, ie 3 buses, each 2 hours x £9 per hour x 25 club nights	£1,350.00	£1,350.00	Nil	£1,332.93	(March 2000) £800.00 for outings (November 2000) £404.00 for transport/outings	£1,350.00 Kilmarnock South - £216.00 Kilmarnock North - £135.00 Northern Area - £337.50 Irvine Valley - £580.50 Kilmarnock Central - £81.00

COMMENTS:-The Cessnock Club started 25 years ago with the help of Social Work and parents for mentally and physically handicapped adults over the age of 18 years. The aims of the Club are to give members a social night out once a fortnight. A number of members are in care. For many of the members the Club provides their only entertainment. The Club is run by parents and volunteers.

Any person normally eligible for admission to an adult training centre can join the Club which currently has 51 members, with average attendance of 45 members, ages ranging from 18-60 years.

The Club provides fortnightly social evenings, discos, barbecue, Christmas party, pantomime, etc, and is managed by a Chairperson, Secretary/Treasurer and 4 volunteers. The group usually meets in Hurlford Adult Training Centre once a fortnight.

This application is cross boundary and the division is based on the number of members residing within Local Committee areas as shown:- Kilmarnock South 8 members (16%); Kilmarnock North 5 members (10%); Northern Area 12 members (25%); Irvine Valley 21 members (43%); and Kilmarnock Central 3 members (6%).

The Assessing Officer (Educational and Social Services) supports the application recommending that the award of grant be made on the following basis:- (i) the application addresses support to people with learning disabilities; (ii) this expenditure would enable the group to continue to transport its widespread membership to take part in its programme of activities; (iii) this application only refers to transport costs, all other costs are financed from fundraising or support from community based organisations; and (iv) other money raised by the group is committed to its programme.

(D) 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
Bentinck Elderly Social Club, c/o Gallion Walk, Kilmarnock (31 users)	Pantomime, High Tea and chocolates for members.	£250.00	£250.00	Nil	£651.49 as at 14 August 2001	£200.00 in October 2001 (cross-boundary - Kilmarnock Central's share £141) £300.00 in April 2000 (cross-boundary - Kilmarnock Central's share £141)	<i>Assessment awaited</i>

COMMENTS:- The group has been in existence for over 18 years and is open to people over 60 living within the local area who may require company and social interaction.

An assessment by the Department of Educational and Social Services is currently awaited and it is possible that this grant will be cross-boundary in nature.

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
Bonnyton Old Men's Cabin, Warwickhill Road, Kilmarnock (15-20 users)	Christmas party and domino competitions.	£508.00	£368.00	£140.00	£19.81 as at 20 August 2001	£550.00 in September 2000	<i>Assessment Awaited</i>

COMMENTS:- The group was formed in 1912 to provide a social outlet for older people within Bonnyton to socialise and is the focal point for older people, many of whom live alone. The group provide tea and coffee on a daily basis.

An assessment by the Department of Educational and Social Services is currently awaited.

(D) OLDER PEOPLE(Cont...)

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
Crosshouse Friendship Club, Crosshouse Community Centre, Crosshouse	Christmas dinner/party (£224.72), March bus trip (£180.00) and June day trip (£479.00).	£883.72	£600.00	£283.72	£128.41 as at 3 September 2001	£450 in October 2000	<i>Assessment Aawaited.</i>

COMMENTS:- The group has been in operation for 17 years and provides a meeting place for older people within the area. Its social activities are open to all senior citizens within the area, including those residents at Thornton Nursing Home.

An assessment by the Department of Educational and Social Services is currently awaited.

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
Glebe Old Men's Cabin, Glebe Road, Kilmarnock (22 users)	Christmas dinner (£300), Burns Evening (£250) and outing (£350).	£900.00	£500.00	£400.00	£616.88 as at 14 August 2001	£500 in January 2001	£500.00*

COMMENTS:- The group was formed for recreational and social purposes for older people or anyone who has taken early retirement due to ill health.

The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) has recommended an award of £500 and comments that the expenditure would allow the targeted group to socialise and interact with other likeminded people. The Assessing Department adds that the majority of members are over 65 and widowers and the groups activities represent their only form of companionship. The fact that the group is also in a position to contribute nearly half of the costs associated with the project is also favourable.

* Further information is currently being sought on the membership of this group and it is possible that the application may be cross-boundary in nature, this matter to be reported verbally at the meeting.

(D) OLDER PEOPLE (Cont...)

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
Gatehead Senior Citizens, c/o Milton View, Gatehead (10 - 15 members)	Hire of hall, prizes and gifts, outings and teas and sundry supplies.	£1,200.00	£800.00	£400.00	£106.51	£850.00 in June 2000	£800.00 (£313.15 has already been granted under delegated authority).

COMMENTS:- The group has been established for 20 years and aims to provide a social outlet for the elderly living in the Gatehead area. It also provides information to older people regarding benefits and other campaigns.

The Director of Educational and Social Services (Assessing Department) has recommended an award of £800, £313.15 of which was granted under delegated authority to cover the cost of the group's summer outings and teas. At the last meeting of the Kilmarnock Central Local Committee on 4 September 2001 it was agreed to continue consideration of the remainder of granting funding requested for further information on the membership of the group and the number of people served by its activities. An updated assessment from the Assessing Department now advises that approximately 15 individuals would benefit from the project for which grant funding is requested and it is confirmed that only members of the group participate in trips and outings. The Assessing Department further advises that Gatehead Senior Citizens Group is open to men and women; however, it is currently only women who attend and all of these members are also members of Gatehead Ladies Club. This latter group received Community Grant funding in the amount of £800 at the last meeting of the Local Committee.

(E) SOCIAL INCLUSION

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
Crosshouse Action Now (CAN), c/o Kilmarnock Road, Crosshouse (15 groups affiliated)	Start-up expenses, including administration costs, stamps, paper, telephone calls, envelopes and starting an account bank book.	£250.00	£250.00	Nil	Nil (newly formed group)	Nil	£250.00

COMMENTS:- The group has been formed recently to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the neighbourhood without distinction of sex or political/other opinions by associating local voluntary organisations and inhabitants in a common effort to advance education and social welfare. The range of groups affiliated to the organisation range from Nursery Groups to those representing the interest of older people. At present, 15 groups within the Community Centre are invited to meetings of the group.

The Assessing Department (Community Services) recommends an award of £250 and comments that the application is worthy and would directly benefit the community. The group's objectives are supported by the Community Council and the group itself has had advice from the Council's External Funding Support Officer.

(F) SPORT

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
Annanhill Junior Golf Club, Irvine Road, Kilmarnock (32 users)	Running costs, including cups, trophies, engraving, golf balls and equipment, catering and competitions.	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	£17.55 (as at 27 April 2001)	£600.00 in January 2001 (cross boundary - Kilmarnock Central Local Committee's share £322)	<i>Assessment Awaited</i>

COMMENTS:- The junior section was founded in 1989 to provide golfing competitions for junior golfers. The organisation is opened in a junior male/female between the ages of 12 and 17.

An assessment by the Department of Community Services is currently awaited and will be reported verbally to Committee. It is possible that this application will be of a cross-boundary nature.

12 October 2001

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