

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE - 30 JANUARY 2002**

**COMMUNITY GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS 2001/2002**

**FINANCIAL POSITION**

**Report by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources**

<b>REVISED ANNUAL BUDGET</b>		<b>£15,733.00</b>
<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>VALUE OF GRANTS PAID TO DATE</b>	<b>VALUE OF GRANTS SET OUT IN ATTACHED SCHEDULE</b>
Arts and Cultural	£1,411.00	-
Community Association	-	-
Community Councils	£400.00	-
Community Safety	-	-
Disability	£1,134.16	-
Early Education and Childcare	£6,250.35	£123.00
Economic Development	-	-
Environmental	-	-
Ethnic Minorities	-	-
Health Issues	-	-
Heritage	-	-
Leisure Activities	-	-
Older People	£1,901.00	£93.00
Social Inclusion	-	-
Sport	£134.55	£350.00
Tenants/Residents Groups	-	-
Unemployment	-	-
Women's Issues	-	-
Young People	£2,961.00	£830.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£14,192.06</b>	<b>£1,396.00</b>
<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>£1,504.94</b>	<b>£108.94</b>

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

**(A) 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	GRANT AWARDED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY
<b>Bellfield Senior Citizens Indoor Bowling Club</b>	To cover rental, catering, outing and miscellaneous costs for the group.	£600.00	£500.00	£100.00	£53.07	£450.00	£500.00

**COMMENTS:-** The group meets in Bellfield Community Centre each Tuesday and Wednesday from 2pm to 4pm. The aim of the club is to promote fellowship among the senior citizens of Bellfield and the surrounding area through the provision of social and recreational activities.

The Director of Community Services recommended approval of the application as follows:-

- The application addresses aim 4 of East Ayrshire Council's Social Strategy through the promotion of opportunities which encourage senior citizens living in the area to be social and physically active;
- grant assistance would allow the group to continue to provide opportunities for positive social interaction for senior citizens living in the area and would also allow the group to travel to the Magnum Centre once during the year to interact with other bowlers of a similar age and ability; and
- grant assistance would allow the group to continue to provide the service currently in operation.

**(A) 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
<b>Leisure and Pleasure Club</b>	To assist with the costs of the group's outing to the pantomime (£140) and hall let (£60).	£200.00	£200.00	Nil	£61.01	£600 (1999/2000)	£200.00 (£140 has already been granted under delegated authority). Outstanding recommended award - £60.00

**COMMENTS:-** The club has been in existence for 4 years. The aim of the club is to provide social and leisure opportunities for retired people in the Shortlees area. The club is open to any person within the community who has reached retirement age. The club currently has a membership of 15 people. The club provides an informal meeting place for retired people where social and recreational activities are enjoyed.

The club meets on Tuesday afternoons in Shortlees Community Education Centre.

The Director of Educational and Social Services has recommended that the application be supported on the following basis:-

- the application addresses the social strategy priorities by tackling social exclusion and isolation which can be felt by older people and enables the group to mix with other individuals in similar circumstances. In addition, the group acts as a monitoring service should someone not attend, the group members check up on them;
- grant assistance would enable the group to organise the event which they would look forward to around the Christmas season, therefore, reducing feelings of isolation and in addition, assisting the group to continue to meet in their current venue.

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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
<b>St Joseph's Retirement Club, c/o St Joseph's Church, Hill Street, Kilmarnock (25-30 members)</b>	Christmas dinner and entertainment (£300), outing to theatre and meal (£375), bus trip and meal (£450) and entertainment (£360)	£1,485.00	£600.00	£885.00	£468.33 (as at 11 October 2001)	£560.00 November 2000 (Cross-boundary)	£400.00

**COMMENTS:-** The group was founded around 1975 with the aim of providing afternoon entertainment and pleasure to older people through a varied programme to keep mind and body active.

The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) recommends a total award of £400 split according to usage as follows:- Kilmarnock Central Local Committee - £256.00 (23/36 users), Kilmarnock North Local Committee - £78 (7/36 users), Northern Area Local Committee - £33.00 (3/36 users) and Kilmarnock South Local Committee - £33.00 (3/36 users). The Assessing Department comments that the group has heavy commitments in the months of December and January and adds that the group has only approximated figures and, although one extra event is planned, it should be possible to cover this from the grant and fund raising efforts.

**(B) 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
<b>Riccarton Pre-5 Group</b>	To cover the cost of Christmas party expenses for approximately 60 children, to purchase 12 sit and ride toys and story books for the group.	£723.00	£523.00	£200.00	£3,209.24 - this balance is committed to meet staff wages and insurance costs.	Nil	£523.00 (£400 has already been granted under delegated authority) Outstanding recommended grant - £123

**COMMENTS:-** The group was founded in August 1987 and now operates from Riccarton Community Centre covering the areas of Riccarton, Caprington, Bellfield and Shortlees.

The group aims to provide a safe, comfortable and stimulating environment for children to learn and grow. The group welcomes children from 6 weeks to 5 years of age and meets at various times on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday of each week. There are currently 13 children attending the group. The group is managed by a voluntary management committee comprising parent users.

The Director of Educational and Social Services (Assessing Department) recommends approval in full of the application on the following basis, viz:-

- the application addresses the Council's Social Strategy by providing access to early education and childcare for children from 6 weeks to 5 years of age living within the Kilmarnock South area. Moreover, many of the children are from unemployed and low income families who are experiencing exclusion; and
- grant assistance would enable the children to have a Christmas party and to buy new equipment and books that they would otherwise not be able to obtain, therefore benefiting them and their families.

**(C) 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
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Caprington Rainbows</b>	To assist with the costs for a trip to pantomime (£80), entry fees to Kelburn (£60), transport (£190) and lunches (£40).	£370.00	£310.00	£60.00	£170.42	Nil	£310.00 (£80 has already been granted under delegated authority) Outstanding recommended award £230.00

**COMMENTS:-** The Group has been in existence for approximately 11-12 years and aims to teach the children to mix together in a safe environment through various activities such as baking, painting and teaching respect and values to the girls.

Membership of the Group is open to young girls between the ages of 5-7 years within the Kilmarnock area. The Group currently has 12-15 young girls attending, although the maximum membership level is set at 18.

The Group is managed by 1 Guide Leader, 1 Assistant Guide Leader, 1 Adult Helper and 1 Child Helper and meets on Monday evenings from 5.30pm to 6.30pm in Shortlees Church.

The Director of Educational and Social Services (Assessing Department) has recommended approval of the application as follows:-

- the group covers the priority areas of Shortlees and Riccarton within the Kilmarnock South area and many of the girls are vulnerable to social exclusion as many are from low income families;
- grant assistance would enable the group to continue to provide a varied and structured programme of educational and recreational activities; and
- the group is organised and run by volunteers, is self-financing and does not receive any finance from the Guide Association.

**(C) 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
<b>East Ayrshire Youth Association (North)</b>	To assist with the costs for the group's programme of events 2001/2002 for young people.	£3,800.00	£3,000.00	£800.00	£1874.21 (although the Group has advised that a further £1,000 has been spent on a youth training course since this statement)	£3,000.00 (split between 5 Local Committees)	£600.00 per Local Committee

**COMMENTS:-** The Association (formerly Kilmarnock and Loudoun Youth Panel) was formed in 1944 to cater for youth in the community. The Association is affiliated to East Ayrshire Sports Council. Their aims are to promote fellowship and liaisons involving the local Youth Clubs by uniting them in various activities throughout the year. The Association caters for any youth between the ages of 10-18 residing in East Ayrshire.

The Assessing Department (Educational and Social Services) recommends that the application be supported on the following basis:- (i) the application addresses the Social Strategy Priority of working with young people to enable them to reach their full potential through achievement, empowerment and health; (ii) the funding would allow young people to meet from different areas and get to know one another through organised activities; and (iii) the Association is run by volunteers with about 50 events over the year including a residential outdoor adventure weekend open to all young people. The application is cross-boundary being split between Northern Area, Irvine Valley, Kilmarnock South, North and Central. The calculation for the cross-boundary element for the application is a straight forward split amongst the five Local Committees concerned as affiliations vary annually.

**(D) SPORT**

<b>ORGANISATION</b>	<b>MAIN PURPOSE OF GRANT</b>	<b>TOTAL COST OF PROJECT</b>	<b>AMOUNT OF GRANT APPLIED FOR</b>	<b>GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION</b>	<b>LATEST BANK BALANCE</b>	<b>GRANT AWARDED 2000/2001</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED GRANT</b>
<b>Kilmarnock Portland Boys Club, c/o Wallace View, Kilmarnock (50 members)</b>	Running costs (referee, pitch and lets - £2,500), strips and training bibs (£2,220) and club ties (£830).	£5,550.00	£4,150.00	£1,400.00	£1,115.80	Nil	£2,500.00

**COMMENTS:-** The Club was founded in 1980 and is affiliated to the Central Ayrshire Football Association, West of Scotland Youth Football League and Scottish Youth Football Association. The objective of the Club is to provide opportunities for youngsters to play football under the laws and regulations of the game as adopted by the Scottish Youth Football Association.

The Assessing Department (Community Services) recommends an award of £2,500, split according to membership between five of the seven Local Committees as follows:- Irvine Valley - £200 (4/50 member); Northern Area - £200 (4/50 members); Kilmarnock North - £250 (5/50 members); Kilmarnock Central - £1,500 (30/50 members); and Kilmarnock South - £350 (7/50 members). The Assessing Department comments that the funds would assist the group in providing young people with an opportunity to participate in football. However, it is recognised that the Club is requesting a large sum of money and, accordingly, it is suggested that they may be required to undertake further fundraising to purchase strips. The Assessing Department would also intend to forward information relating to Awards for All and East Ayrshire Sports Council Funding to the Group.

The Irvine Valley Local Committee has fully spent its Community Grant budget for the current financial year, however, as a result of a community group returning grant monies amounting to £165.63, it has been agreed, in consultation with the Chair, to approve a delegated award to this value to meet, in part, the Irvine Valley Local Committee's pro-rata share of the cross-boundary grant application.

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**AGENDA**