

BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA – 20 November 2003

**Holytown Community Education Centre, Stevenston Street, Holytown,
20 November 2003 at 7 pm.**

A Meeting of the **BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE**

PRESENT

Councillor Gorman (Convener); Councillors Burrows, Curran, Lafferty, Lyle and Saunders.

CHAIR

Councillor Gorman (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Principal Administrative Officer and Administrative Officer, Department of Administration; Area Team Leader, Area Manager (Community Learning and Development) and Senior Community Learning and Development Worker, Department of Community Services; Headquarter Manager, Department of Finance; Area Housing Manager and Principal Investigator, Anti-Social Task Force, Department of Housing and Property Services; Development Projects Team Leader, Department of Planning and Environment, and Area Service Manager, Social Work Department.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Superintendent Wilson Butler, Inspector Peter Martin and Sergeant James Borland, Youth Court Project Officer, Strathclyde Police, and W. Foy, Bellshill and District Community Forum representative.

APOLOGIES

Councillors McCabe, H. McGuigan and McKeown.

**BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE - MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON
18 SEPTEMBER 2003**

1. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Bellshill and District Area Committee held on 18 September 2003.

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES - BELLSHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

2. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of the Bellshill Community Council held on 17 September and 15 October 2003.

Decided: that the terms of the Minutes be noted.

COMMUNITY FORUM - UPDATE

3. There was submitted a report dated 11 November 2003 by the Director of Community Services (1) advising that the Bellshill and District Community Forum had held its most recent meeting on 6 November 2003, and (2) enclosing as an attachment to the report, the Minute of that meeting.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

GOOD NEWS

4. There was submitted a report dated 5 November 2003 by the Director of Community Services advising of various "Good News" stories within the Department of Community Services.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

Prior to consideration of the following item of business, Councillor Lyle declared a non-pecuniary interest in respect of application number ALL:CG03/04-238 by 1st New Stevenston Girls Brigade, New Stevenston and took no part in the Area Committee's consideration of that application.

It was agreed that schedule 1 of the report (tabled) be accordingly amended.

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME - CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS

5. With reference to paragraph 12 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 18 September 2003, there was submitted a report dated 6 November 2003 by the Director of Community Services detailing community grant applications covering more than one Area Committee area, together with continued applications and new applications specific to this Committee.

Decided:

- (1) that subject to receipt of any outstanding information, applications for Community Grants be dealt with in accordance with the Annex to this Minute, and
- (2) that authority be delegated to the Director of Community Services, after consultation with the Convener, and the appropriate Local Member, to award grant requests for activities during the Christmas period, and that any such grant awards be subsequently reported for homologation.

BELLSHILL TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN

6. With reference to paragraph 3 of the Minute of the meeting of the Planning and Environment (Roads and Transport) Sub-Committee held on 5 December 2001, paragraph 2 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 25 April 2002, and paragraph 18 of the Minute of the meeting of the Economic Regeneration Committee held on 2 September 2003, there was submitted a report dated 20 November 2003 by the Director of Planning and Environment (1) advising on the current position regarding the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan; (2) intimating (a) that preliminary design work on six roundabouts had been undertaken by the Planning Department's Transport Team; (b) that the estimated construction costs for the first three roundabouts at Glebe Street, Belgrave Street and North Road, Bellshill is £2,544,000, and (c) that it had been agreed that consultants be appointed to prepare the designs and contract documents for the three roundabouts, and (3) indicating (a) that the streetscape within Bellshill requires to be addressed as part of the Town Centre Action Plan and developed in tandem with the design of the road works, and (b) that proposals would be submitted seeking tenders for the design work from up to six consultants.

Decided: that the current position regarding the Bellshill Town Centre Action Plan be noted.

ANTI-SOCIAL TASK FORCE

7. The Convener welcomed to the meeting Matt Costello, Principal Investigator, Anti-Social Task Force who gave a presentation on the work of the Council's Anti-Social Task Force and tackling anti-social behaviour in North Lanarkshire.

The Principal Investigator (1) referred in particular to (a) the legal framework to the establishment of the Anti-Social Task Force; (b) its purpose and aims; (c) the operational procedures in place; (d) the actions taken by the Task Force to date, and (e) proposed future developments, and (2) commented on the type and numbers of complaints received from the Bellshill and District Area.

After a question and answer session the Convener thanked Mr. Costello for his informative presentation.

Decided: that the presentation be noted.

YOUTH COURTS

8. The Convener welcomed to the meeting Sergeant Jim Borland, Youth Court Project Officer, Strathclyde Police "N" Division, who gave a presentation on the Youth Court within Hamilton Sheriff Court which served the North Lanarkshire area.

Sergeant Borland (1) referred in particular to (a) the background to the establishment of the Youth Court; (b) the objectives of the Youth Court; (c) the target group for referral; (d) the court process and its operation, and (e) the overall advantages to the police, public and offender, and (2) commented on the referral statistics for the Bellshill and District Area for the period from June to September 2003.

After a question and answer session, the Convener thanked Sergeant Borland for his informative presentation.

Decided: that the presentation be noted.

ANNEX

COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS

(1) APPLICATIONS COVERING MORE THAN ONE AREA COMMITTEE BOUNDARY

(a) CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

Group/Grant Requested	Purpose of Application	Decision
Airdrie and District Angling Club, Caldercruix (ALL:CG03/04-138) - £1,500 (previously awarded £110)	To assist with the purchase of an outboard petrol engine for disabled anglers fishing boat	Nil Award
Whifflet 60+ Activity Club, Coatbridge (ALL:CG03/04-139) - £990 (previously awarded £20)	To assist with the cost of a hall and the purchase of a CD player and microphone	Nil Award
Craigneuk Amateurs, Wishaw (ALL:CG03/04-140) - £1,000 (previously awarded £300)	To assist with the purchase of training equipment e.g. bibs, cones and nets	Nil Award
Coatbridge Sub Aqua Club, Coatbridge (ALL:CG03/04-141) - £2,000 (previously awarded £120)	To assist with the purchase of a trailer to transport club boat	Nil Award
Motherwell United Services Over 60s Club, Motherwell (ALL:CG03/04-142) - £1,000 (previously awarded £480)	To assist with the purchase of items for Christmas food parcels for members, and providing entertainment for a Christmas party	Nil Award
Strathcarron Hospice Charity Shop, Kilsyth (ALL:CG03/04-143) - £2,000 (previously awarded £885)	To assist with the cost of shop rental	Nil Award
Shotts Highland Games Association, Shotts (ALL:CG03/04-146) - £2,000 (previously awarded £1,665)	To assist with the cost of schools athletics, highland dancing, pipe band competition, track and field costs, promotional presentation and running costs	Grant £35
New Stevenston Senior Citizens, New Stevenston (ALL:CG03/04-147) - £250	To assist with the purchase of a locked filing cabinet and karaoke machine	Grant £100
The Scots Boxing Hall of Fame, Viewpark (ALL:CG03/04-148) - £1,760 (previously awarded £80)	To assist with the purchase of exhibition panels, transport costs, promotional leaflets and posters, storage boxes, banner and website set up costs	Grant £50 and continue for further consideration
Asian Women's Forum North Lanarkshire, Holytown (ALL:CG03/04-151) - £2,000 (previously awarded £280)	To assist with the cost of trips, cultural festivals, classes, creche and publicity materials	Nil Award

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Group/Grant Requested	Purpose of Application	Decision
Cleland Boys' Club, Cleland (ALL:CG03/04-153) - £2,000 (previously awarded £340)	To assist with the purchase of strips, nets, balls, first aid equipment and running costs	Nil Award
Utheo Ltd, Bellshill (ALL:CG03/04-155) - £2,000 (previously awarded £200)	To assist with the cost of refurbishing the kitchen in community cafe	Grant £200
West Lothian Retired Miners, Whitburn (ALL:CG03/04-157) - £2,000 (previously awarded £465)	To assist with the cost of home visits and running costs	Nil Award
Kilsyth Close Harmony, Kilsyth (ALL:CG03/04-190) - £800 (previously awarded £330)	To assist with the cost of purchasing new uniforms for the group	Nil Award
Scott MacIver Appeal, Airdrie (ALL:CG03/04-219) - £950 (previously awarded £270)	To assist with the cost of entertainers, speakers, printing and hall hire etc for Charity evening	Nil Award
Alba Photographic Society, Wishaw (ALL:CG03/04-220) - £500 (previously awarded £130)	To assist with start up costs, events, publicity and administration costs	Nil Award
Arthritis Support, Bellshill (ALL:CG03/04-222) - £800 (previously awarded £250)	To assist with the cost of Christmas meal, pantomime tickets and transport costs	Grant £450

(b) NEW APPLICATIONS

Group/Grant Requested	Purpose of Application	Decision
Carfin Children's Carnival Group, Carfin (ALL:CG03/04-231) - £300	To assist with the cost of christmas treats, trip to pantomime and disco/party	Grant £100
Mossend Bowling Club, Mossend (ALL:CG03/04-234) - £2,000	To assist with the cost of refurbishing changing and players storage and equipment rooms, renewing asbestos roofing, paving and fencing and sprinkler system for greens	Grant £150 and continue for further consideration
St Teresa's Social Club, Newarthill (ALL:CG03/04-236) - £2,000	To assist with the cost of dinner and entertainment for pensioners, card and gift for housebound and mass for the sick	Grant £600
1st New Stevenston Girls' Brigade, New Stevenston (ALL:CG03/04-238) - £600	To assist with the cost of fees, projects, equipment and christmas party	Grant £100 and continue for further consideration
Calder Church Nearly New Club, Coatbridge (ALL:CG03/04-239) - £750	To assist with the cost of a trip to Aviemore and high tea	Continue for further consideration

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Senior Citizens' Lunch Club, Carfin (ALL:CG03/04-243) - £300	To assist with the cost of a trip to Blackpool lights, christmas party and dinner and days outing	Grant £100
The Dove Association, Cumbernauld (ALL:CG03/04-244) - £2,000	To assist with the purchase of carpet bowls and carpet, bingo machine, computer software and musical instruments	Continue for further consideration
Committee for the Care of the Housebound, Newarthill (ALL:CG03/04-247) - £300	To assist with the cost of christmas treat	Grant £250
Jerviston Boys' Club 11s, Motherwell (ALL:CG03/04-370) - £1,000	To assist with transport costs to a football tournament in North Wales	Continue for further consideration
Motherwell District Childminding Group, Motherwell (ALL:CG03/04-371) - £700	To assist with the cost of a Christmas party for all minded children in area	Continue for further consideration
Airdrie Service Club, Airdrie (ALL:CG03/04-375) - £1,000	To assist with the annual pensioners treat i.e. meal, cabaret show and refreshments	Continue for further consideration
Wrangholm Kirk, New Stevenston (ALL:CG03/04-378) - £1,050	To assist with the purchase of a photocopier	Grant £300
Palacerigg Field Archers, Cumbernauld (ALL:CG03/04-380) - £1,027	To assist with the purchase of new archery equipment	Continue for further consideration
St Francis Xavier Parochial Committee, Carfin (ALL:CG03/04-381) - £500	To assist with the cost of dinner, refreshments, transport, entertainemnt and raffle for Christmas	Grant £300
Cleland Parish Church Choir, Cleland (ALL:CG03/04-395) - £100	To assist with the cost of travel expenses and choir mistress expenses	Continue for further consideration
Radio Heartbeat (Hospital Radio), Airdrie (ALL:CG03/04-406) - £2,000	To assist with the purchase of mini disc players, outside broadcast equipment and jingles package	Grant £160 and continue for further consideration
Dalziel Rugby Midi Tourers, Motherwell (ALL:CG03/04-408) - £1,200	To assist with the costs of travel and accomodation to take part in a tournament	Continue for further consideration
Disease Prevention Organisation, Stonehouse (ALL:CG03/04-409) - £2,000	To assist with costs of dissemination of health information	Continue for further consideration

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(2) APPLICATIONS SPECIFIC TO BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE

(a) CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

Group/Grant Requested	Purpose of Application	Decision
Tots and Toys, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-203) - £494 (previously awarded £100)	To assist with the cost of premises, transport for outing, goodie bag treat and the purchase of play equipment	Grant £100
Powerhouse Kids Club, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-204) - £2,000 (previously awarded £250)	To assist with the cost of outing, meal and Christmas party for children	Grant £100

(b) NEW APPLICATIONS

Group/Grant Requested	Purpose of Application	Decision
Hattonrigg Senior Citizens' Centre, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-228) - £200	To assist with the cost of a Christmas Party	Grant £200
General Motors Senior Citizens' Section, Holytown (BEL:CG03/04-248) - £300	To assist with the cost of Christmas Dinner and entertainment	Grant £250
Holytown Senior Citizens' Centre, Holytown (BEL:CG03/04-249) - £300	To assist with the cost of Christmas Dinner	Grant £250
Social Committee McCormack Gardens, Newarthill (BEL:CG03/04-250) - £700	To assist with the cost of coach trips, Christmas Dinner, Burns Supper, social evenings, bingo, carpet bowls, theatre, keep fit and Easter Bonnet Parade	Grant £500
Bellshill Salvation Army Home League, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-251) - £700	To assist with the cost of Christmas Dinner and parcels	Grant £300 and continue for further consideration
Stoneways Park Residents' Association, Mossend (BEL:CG03/04-252) - £2,000	To assist with the cost of administration, start-up costs, stationery, photocopying and purchase of computer and software	Grant £500
Bellshill Nursery Centre Parents' Group, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-253) - £750	To assist with the cost of bus hire and entrance fee for children and parents to visit Christmas Experience in New Lanark	Grant £400
Bellshill and District Citizens' Advice Bureau, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-254) - £200	To assist with the cost of a Christmas function for volunteer staff	Grant £200
Orbiston United Football Club, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-255) - £900	To assist with the cost of hiring training hall and football parks, purchase of footballs and new strips, training equipment, referee fees, administration fees, presentation night trophies and medals and Christmas disco	Grant £630

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Kew Gardens Sheltered Housing Senior Citizens' Club, Tannochside (BEL:CG03/04-256) - £300	To assist with the cost of meals, entertainment, venue fee and transport for Christmas party	Grant £300
SVDP Holy Family Conference, Mossend (BEL:CG03/04-257) - £600	To assist with the cost of meals and entertainment for the elderly and sick in the parish	Grant £600
Neilson Hall Men's Fellowship, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-340) - £500	To assist with the cost of Christmas dinner and annual outing	Grant £320 and continue for further consideration
Holy Family PTA, Mossend (BEL:CG03/04-341) - £1,000	To assist with the cost of sending children to outdoor residential centre	Grant £650 and continue for further consideration
Union of Catholic Mothers, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-342) - £500	To assist with the cost of visit to pantomime and transport	Grant £400
Little Gems Parent and Toddler Group, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-343) - £300	To assist with the cost of a Christmas outing, party and children's gift	Grant £250
Dual Tenants' and Residents' Association, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-344) - £900	To assist with the cost of a Christmas party, gift, lunch and ten pin bowling and transport for children and Christmas parcel for pensioners	Grant £700
Bellshill (South) Senior Citizens' Club, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-345) - £600	To assist with the cost of meal, band and refreshments for Christmas function	Grant £600
Regency Park Residents' Association, Uddingston (BEL:CG03/04-346) - £300	To assist with the cost of a community newsletter, social activities, neighbourhood watch and administration costs	Grant £300
Rock Solid Club, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-411) - £1,958.91	To assist with the purchase of amp, desk, radio system, microphone stands and guitar	Grant £200 and continue for further consideration
St. Gerard's Nursery Parents Association, Bellshill (BEL:CG03/04-412) - £1,709	To assist with the costs of extending outdoor play area and purchase of equipment	Grant £250