

**AGENDA ITEM No. 1(9)**  
**COATBRIDGE AREA - 16 December 1997**

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Coatbridge, 16 December, 1997 at 2 pm.

A Meeting of the **COATBRIDGE AREA COMMITTEE**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Leitch, Convener; Councillor Clarke, Vice-Convener; Councillors Brooks, A. Burns, Gordon, and Maginnis.

**CHAIR**

Councillor Leitch (Convener) presided.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

The Director of Education (Liaison Director), Office Manager and Assistant Principal Officer (Community Education), Department of Education; Committee Services Officer and Senior Administrative Officer, Department of Administration; Social Strategy Officer, Department of Chief Executive; Head of Revenue Services; District Housing Manager (Central); Head of Parks and Amenity, and Area Social Work Manager (Airdrie).

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors Nolan and Smith

**DRAFT COMMUNITY CARE PLAN**

1. The Area Social Work Manager (Airdrie) was heard in relation to the draft Community Care Plan (1) indicating that it had been prepared in association with Lanarkshire Health Board and Scottish Homes, and (2) advising of the public consultation exercise which was being carried out.

**Decided:** that the terms of the presentation be noted.

**ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY FORUMS**

2. With reference to paragraph 1 of the Minute of the meeting of this Area Committee held on 4 November, 1997, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 8 December, 1997 by the Liaison Director proposing a strategy for the establishment of Community Forums in the Coatbridge Area.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the strategy for the establishment of Community Forums, as set out in Section 5 of the report by the Liaison Director, be approved, subject to the availability of adequate funding.
- (2) that the first public meeting for the establishment of Community Forums be held on 17 February 1998 in the Municipal Buildings, Coatbridge;

- (3) that members of the public who attend the public meeting be encouraged to form a Community Forum to represent the entire area, and
- (4) that the terms of the report be otherwise noted.

#### FUNDING COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

3. With reference to paragraph 13 of the Minute of the meeting of the Policy and Resources (Community Development) Sub-Committee held on 26 November, 1997 when, inter alia, it had been agreed that (1) £19,250 from the Chief Executive's Payments to Agencies and Other Bodies (Community Development) Budget be allocated to support community involvement in decentralised areas for the period to 31 March 1998, and (2) that authority for approving expenditure from each of the nine notional area budgets be delegated to the Assistant Chief Executive (Operations) and that access to those budgets be at the request of the relevant Liaison Director, there was submitted a report dated 2 December, 1997 by the Chief Executive regarding the resources available for the establishment of Community Forums and related activities in the current financial year.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the terms of the report be noted, and
- (2) that the allocation of resources in the sum of £2,500 for the support of community involvement in the area of Coatbridge for the current financial year be noted.

#### AREA PROFILES - WAY FORWARD

4. With reference to paragraph 14 of the Minute of the meeting of the Policy and Resources (Community Development) Sub-Committee held on 26 November, 1997 when, inter alia, the aims and objectives of Area Profiles and the proposed timescale of June 1998 for their production were approved, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 1 December, 1997 by the Chief Executive providing guidance on the aims, objectives and content of Area Profiles and the arrangements for co-ordinating statistical service based information, and advising that further guidance detailing the standard format for specific elements of the Profiles would be issued.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the aims, objectives, arrangements and timescale for production of Area Profiles, as set out in the report by the Chief Executive, be noted;
- (2) that the indicative content of Area Profiles, as set out in the Annex to the report, be approved;
- (3) that the Liaison Director plan the task of gathering information for the profile with the Area Team, and
- (4) that the terms of the report be otherwise noted.

#### DISCRETIONARY RELIEF OF RATES FOR LICENSED CLUBS

5. With reference to paragraph 13 of the Minute of the meeting of the Council held on 6 November, 1997 when it had been agreed to continue a report by the Director of Finance on discretionary relief of rates for licensed clubs pending the submission of the report to the Area Committees for their views, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 21 October 1997 by the Director of Finance thereon.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the terms of the report be noted, and
- (2) that it be recommended that
  - (a) consideration be given to the withdrawal of discretionary relief of rates to licensed clubs which did not comply with the Council's Equal Opportunities Policy, and
  - (b) consideration be given to the inclusion of membership fees in the formula for determining entitlement to discretionary relief of rates.

#### REVIEW OF INTERIM COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME

6. With reference to paragraph 10 of the Minute of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 9 December, 1997 when the Committee agreed, *inter alia*, that a comprehensive review of the Interim Community Grant Scheme be undertaken and that the Area Committees consider the issues identified in the review framework and to make recommendations on the future operation of the Scheme, there was submitted a report dated 19 November 1997 by the Chief Executive thereon.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the terms of the report be noted, and
- (2) that it be recommended to the Policy and Resources (Community Development) Sub-Committee that the application forms for the Community Grant Scheme should be amended to require voluntary organisations to provide more detailed information and, in particular, to submit details of membership, meeting place etc.

#### INTERIM COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME - APPLICATIONS

7. With reference to paragraph 3 of the Minute of the meeting of this Area Committee held on 4 November, 1997, there was submitted a report dated 8 December, 1997 by the Chief Executive detailing applications for Community Grants continued from that meeting, together with new applications.

**Decided:** that the applications for Community Grants be dealt with as follows, subject to receipt of any outstanding information:-

CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

Group: Townhead Camera Club - CG96/97-900

Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of camera equipment

Grant Requested: £650

Decision: No Grant

Group: Over Sixties Fellowship - CG97/98-161

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner

Grant Requested: £250

Decision: Grant of £250

Group: John Cassels Memorial Trophy, Townhead - CG97/98-177

Purpose of Application: To assist with training costs for new volunteers

Grant Requested: £200

Decision: Grant of £100

Group: Townhead Street Warden Scheme - CG97/98-254

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of lunch and shopping trip

Grant Requested: £200

Decision: Grant of £100

Group: 6th Coatbridge Boys Brigade - CG97/98-256

Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of indoor and outdoor sports equipment

Grant Requested: £750 (cheque previously issued for £570)

Decision: No grant

Group: Drumpellier Cricket Youth Section - CG97/98-258

Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of training equipment

Grant Requested: £1,200 (cheque previously issued for £170)

Decision: Continued for further information

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- Group:** Kirkwood Boys Club - CG97/98-380
- Purpose of Application:** To assist with purchase of winter jackets, strips, match balls and kit bags
- Grant Requested:** £800 (cheque previously issued for £250)
- Decision:** No grant
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- Group:** Kirkwood Amateur Football Club - CG97/98-363
- Purpose of Application:** To assist with purchase of football equipment
- Grant Requested:** £400 (cheque previously issued for £170)
- Decision:** Grant of £100
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- Group:** Blairhill Dundyan Church Senior Citizens - CG97/98-403
- Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Lunch
- Grant Requested:** £225
- Decision:** Grant of £225
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- Group:** Middle Church Senior Citizens Club - CG97/98-455
- Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner
- Grant Requested:** £375 (cheque previously issued for £190)
- Decision:** Grant of £375 (to be met from the top-sliced element of the budget for the Scheme/cheque to be issued for £185)
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- Group:** Monklands Youth (Rugby) Club - CG97/98-456
- Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of running Under 16s Girls Tournament
- Grant Requested:** £250
- Decision:** Grant of £250 (to be met from the top-sliced element of the budget for the Scheme)
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**Group:** St. Mary's Rosary Group - CG97/98-459

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Lunch

**Grant Requested:** £200

**Decision:** £200

**Group:** WRVS Coatbridge Stroke Club - CG97/98-461

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner

**Grant Requested:** £100 (cheque previously issued for £20)

**Decision:** Grant of £100 (to be met from the top-sliced element of the budget for the Scheme/cheque to be issued for £80)

**Group:** Bargeddie Pensioners Wednesday Club - CG97/98-462

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner

**Grant Requested:** £270

**Decision:** Grant of £200

**Group:** Arthritis Care, Coatbridge - CG97/98-463

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner

**Grant Requested:** £750 (cheque previously issued for £100)

**Decision:** Grant of £750 (to be met from the top-sliced element of the budget for the Scheme/cheque to be issued for £650)

**Group:** The Salvation Army - Whifflet - CG97/98-499

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner

**Grant Requested:** £75 (cheque previously issued for £35)

**Decision:** Grant of £40

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**Group:** St. Augustine's Senior Citizens Tuesday Dancing Club - CG97/98-500

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner and Dance

**Grant Requested:** £200

**Decision:** Grant of £200

**Group:** Coatbridge SVDP - CG97/98-501

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner and Entertainment

**Grant Requested:** £1,000

**Decision:** Continued for further information

**Group:** Corsewall Street Old Tyme and Select Dance Club - CG97/98-558

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner

**Grant Requested:** £200

**Decision:** Grant of £200 (to be met from the top sliced element of the budget for the Scheme)

**Group:** Calder Court Elderly and Disabled Club - CG97/98-559

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner

**Grant Requested:** £400

**Decision:** Grant of £200

**NEW APPLICATIONS**

**Group:** Kirkwood Food Co-op - CG97/98-561

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with running costs and hall rental charges

**Grant Requested:** £400

**Decision:** Grant of £29

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**Group:** Calder Church Nearly New Club - CG97/98-562

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of social evening and theatre night

**Grant Requested:** £200

**Decision:** Continued for further information

  

**Group:** 6th Coatbridge Girls Brigade - CG97/98-563

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with costs of purchasing craft, fitness and playing materials

**Grant Requested:** £668

**Decision:** Continued for further information

  

**Group:** Lockgreen AFC - CG97/98-564

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of purchasing strips, nets, balls, training gym, first aid kit etc.

**Grant Requested:** £1,258

**Decision:** Continued for further information

  

**Group:** Whifflet Court and Calder Court Pensioners Social Club - CG97/98-570

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of social evenings and bingo books

**Grant Requested:** £392

**Decision:** Grant of £350

  

**Group:** Shawhead Senior Citizens Indoor Bowling Club - CG97/98-635

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Treat

**Grant Requested:** £200

**Decision:** Grant of £100

  

**Group:** United Free Church of Scotland (Whifflet) - CG97/98-636

**Purpose of Application:** To assist with costs for Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner

**Grant Requested:** £200

**Decision:** Grant of £200

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**Group:** Old Monkland Senior Citizens Carpet Bowls - CG97/98-637  
**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of hall rental, trophies and Christmas treat  
**Grant Requested:** £500  
**Decision:** Grant of £163

**Group:** Bargeddie Over 60s Bowling Club - CG97/98-638  
**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas party and purchase of a bowling carpet  
**Grant Requested:** £950  
**Decision:** Grant of £200

**Group:** Old Monkland Residents Association - CG97/98-639  
**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of hall lets and other functions  
**Grant Requested:** £1,000  
**Decision:** Grant of £200

**Group:** Millbrae Court and Glen Court Tenants Association - CG97/98-647  
**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner for pensioners  
**Grant Requested:** £210  
**Decision:** Grant of £200

**Group:** James Dempsey Gardens Lunch Club - CG97/98-651  
**Purpose of Application:** To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner and Entertainment  
**Grant Requested:** £150  
**Decision:** Grant of £150

Group: The Tuesday Club (St. James Sheltered Housing Complex) - CG97/98-652

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner

Grant Requested: £125

Decision: Grant of £125

Group: Rosehall Sheltered Housing (Bingo Club) - CG97/98-653

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner

Grant Requested: £75

Decision: Grant of £75

Group: Dundyvan Gardens Sheltered Housing - CG97/98-654

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of Christmas Dinner and entertainment

Grant Requested: £150

Decision: Grant of £150

#### SERVICE PLANS 1998/99

8. With reference to paragraph 13 of the Minute of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 9 December, 1997 when the Committee had agreed, inter alia, that consideration of the report and the Executive Summaries of the Service Plans be remitted to the Area Committees for their interest, there were submitted the report by the Chief Executive and the Executive Summaries.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the terms of the report be noted, and
- (2) that consideration of the Executive Summaries of the Service Plans be continued to a future meeting of the Area Committee.