

Coatbridge, 10 February 1998 at 2 pm.

A Meeting of the **COATBRIDGE AREA COMMITTEE**

PRESENT

Councillor Clarke, Vice-Convenor; Councillors A. Burns, Gordon, Maginnis, Nolan and Smith.

CHAIR

Councillor Clarke (Vice-Convenor) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Committee Services Officer; Director of Education (Liaison Director) and Office Manager, Education Department, and Social Strategy Officer, Chief Executive's Department.

APOLOGY

Councillor Leitch.

TOWN TWINNING

1. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Minute of the meeting of the Council held on 18 December 1997, when it was agreed that a report by the Working Party on Twinning be issued to the Area Committees for their views, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 13 October 1997 (1) intimating that the Council has agreed to set up a Working Party to examine the whole issue of Twinning; (2) advising of the background to the Twinning arrangements and exchange links operated by the former authorities in North Lanarkshire, and (3) detailing proposals for the future development of Town Twinning.

Decided: that the recommendations within the report by the Working Party be approved.

ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY FORUMS - PUBLIC MEETING

2. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 16 December 1997 when, inter alia, it was agreed that a public meeting be held in the Municipal Buildings, Coatbridge, on 17 February 1998 to obtain local views on the establishment of a Community Forum(s) within the Coatbridge Area, the Liaison Director gave an oral report (1) commenting on the level of interest registered by Community and Voluntary groups in being represented at the meeting; (2) outlining the proposed format for the meeting, and (3) suggesting that in view of the pending budgetary meetings of the Council, it might be appropriate to postpone the public meeting.

Decided: that the public meeting which had been scheduled to take place in the Municipal Buildings, Coatbridge, on 17 February 1998 be postponed until after the Council's budgetary meetings.

INTERIM COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME - APPLICATIONS

3. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Minute of the meeting of this Area Committee held on 16 December 1997, there was submitted a report dated 2 February 1998 by the Chief Executive detailing applications for Community Grants continued from that meeting, together with new applications.

Decided:

- (1) that the Chief Executive prepare a report for the next meeting on the options available to the Committee to maximise expenditure from the top-sliced interim Community Grants budget, and
- (2) that the applications for Community Grants be dealt with as follows, subject to receipt of any outstanding information:-

CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

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: Continue to 1998/99

Group: St Vincent de Paul, Coatbridge - CG97/98-501

Purpose of Application: To assist with the cost of a Christmas dinner and entertainment

Grant Requested: £1,000

Decision: Grant £1,000

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

Purpose of Application: To assist with costs for social evening and theatre night

Grant Requested: £200

Decision: Continue

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

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of purchase of craft, fitness and playing materials

Grant Requested: £668

Decision: £200

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Group: Lockgreen AFC - CG97/98-564

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

Grant Requested: £1,258

Decision: Grant £300 and continue for further information

NEW APPLICATIONS

Group: Barrowfield Community House - CG97/98-688

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of a Christmas dinner

Grant Requested: £100

Decision: Grant £100

Group: Afton Gardens Sheltered Housing - CG97/98-689

Purpose of Application: To assist with costs for an entertainment night and meal

Grant Requested: £270

Decision: Grant £270

Group: Whifflet Park Bowling Club (Senior Citizens Section) CG97/98-690

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of a Christmas night and meal

Grant Requested: £200

Decision: Continue

Group: Greenhill Elderly Social Club - CG97/98-719

Purpose of Application: To assist with cost for day outings

Grant Requested: Any amount

Decision: Grant £75

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Group: St Vincent de Paul Society - CG97/98-721
Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of annual treat for Senior Citizens
Grant Requested: £1,000
Decision: Grant £150 and continue

Group: 1st Coatbridge (Garturk) Scout Club - CG97/98-722
Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of burglar alarm for hall
Grant Requested: £500
Decision: Continue for further information

Group: Kirkshaws Food Co-op - CG97/98-728
Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of freezer
Grant Requested: £200
Decision: Grant £200

Group: Kirkshaws Luncheon Club - CG97/98-729
Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of equipment and organisation of a Burns Supper Day
Grant Requested: £200
Decision: Grant £200

Group: St James Monday Club - CG97/98-732
Purpose of Application: To assist with cost of outing
Grant Requested: £300
Decision: Grant £200

Group: St James Parish Council - CG97/98-745
Purpose of Application: To assist with purchase of safety and security lighting for church
Grant Requested: £700
Decision: Grant £700

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Group:	Columba High School PTA - CG97/98-754
Purpose of Application:	To assist with cost of purchase and repair of musical instruments and repairs and maintenance of mini-bus
Grant Requested:	£350
Decision:	Continue
Group:	Glenboig 2000 - CG97/98-755
Purpose of Application:	To assist with purchase of PC and Printer
Grant Requested:	£1,500
Decision:	Grant £300 and continue to 1998/99
Group:	St Mary's Senior Citizens Festive Dinner Committee - CG97/98-757
Purpose of Application:	To assist with cost of festive dinner
Grant Requested:	£450
Decision:	Continue to 1998/99
Group:	Coatbridge Central Tenants Association - CG97/98-758
Purpose of Application:	To assist with costs of a needs analysis of Council services
Grant Requested:	Any amount
Decision:	Grant £500
Group:	South Coatbridge Credit Union - CG97/98-764
Purpose of Application:	To assist with cost of publicising and recruitment of members
Grant Requested:	£400
Decision:	Grant £400
Group:	14th Coatbridge Guide Unit - CG97/98-795
Purpose of Application:	To assist with cost of subsidising a weekend trip to London
Grant Requested:	£336
Decision:	Grant £200

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Group: Kirkshaws, North Coatbridge and South Coatbridge Credit Unions - CG97/98-765, 766 and 767

Purpose of Application: To assist with the purchase and installation of computers to improve services and promote Credit Unions

Grant Requested: £4,500 (£1,500 each)

Decision: Continue for further information