

**NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL
REPORT**

TO: Social Work Committee	Subject: SECTION 10 FUNDING
FROM: Director of Social Work	
DATE OF COMMITTEE: 22 March 2001	
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REF: JD/GMcI/DH	

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To inform the Social Work Committee of the applications received from voluntary organisations requesting funding under Section 10 of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 and to recommend payments to the organisations concerned.

2 BACKGROUND

2.1 The Council is empowered under the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 to make grants or payments to voluntary organisations whose sole or primary purpose is to promote social welfare.

3 PROPOSALS

3.1 To date 57 applications for funding have been received, it is anticipated there will be further submissions as there were some late enquiries which are expected to generate additional applications.

3.2 Included in the applications received are six from organisations which have not previously been funded. The total value of the funding requests received equates to £513,270.

3.3 The Section 10 budget for 2001/2002 is £429,000 the budget figure has been arrived by increasing last years allocation from £247,000 to £300,000, and by incorporating payments of £129,000, which were paid to voluntary organisations through Area Team budgets. By bringing all the payments under the Section 10 budget heading, it ensures that the organisations who are funded require to make their application in a standard format and that the work of the organisations concerned are properly evaluated as part of the Section 10 review process.

- 3.4 The Section 10 budget in real terms therefore increases by £53,000. This injection of additional resources enables the Social Work Committee to address the difficulties which some of the larger organisations have faced over previous years because of standstill budgets. It also allows for some modest strategic developments to be undertaken by those groups which can strengthen partnership working with innovative ideas and action.
- 3.5 The Social Work Committee has over the past years funded Strathclyde Credit Union Development Agency (S.C.U.D.A.) and it continues to make an essential contribution to the social inclusion agenda. There has been recent discussion within the Council on two major developments which are likely to impact on the operation of Credit Unions. These developments relate to the Financial Services Markets Act 2000 and an initiative by the Scottish Executive to produce a Credit Unions Action Plan. It is recommended that the S.C.U.D.A. application be continued until such time as the implications of these issues becomes clearer.

4 CRITERIA

- 4.1 The criteria which the Social Work Department applies to Section 10 funding and which has previously been endorsed by the Social Work Committee includes:-
- ◆ **Performance/Quality, Value for Money:** consideration of quality services which represent good value for the Section 10 monies provided to the organisations concerned.
 - ◆ **Direct Services:** recognising the need to support voluntary organisations who provide direct services to individuals and care groups which would otherwise require the Social Work Department to provide substitute services.
 - ◆ **Provision of Local Services:** continued support to local organisations who provide worthwhile local services which benefit individuals and local communities.
 - ◆ **Continuity:** providing ongoing support to organisations which are currently funded through Section 10.
 - ◆ **Scope for Growth:** recognising the opportunities for creating new and meaningful provisions for the citizens of North Lanarkshire in the field of social welfare.
 - ◆ **Overall Funds:** taking account of the total money which is available to the Social Work Department for Section 10 funding.
- 4.2 In addition to the above factors, the modest increase in the Section 10 budget enables the Social Work Committee to approve increases in the Section 10 award to those organisations whose grant includes staff costs to meet the additional expenditure arising from recent wage awards.

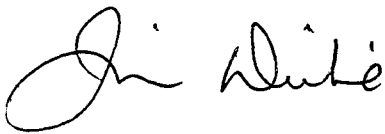
5 FUNDING PROPOSALS

- 5.1 The distribution of the Section 10 budget and the funding proposals are set out in the appendix to this report. There are five organisations employing a total of six full-time staff whose salary costs are met exclusively from Section 10 funding. It is proposed that the level of grant be increased to these groups at the cost of £4,761 to enable them to meet the recent wage settlement.
- 5.2 There are six new applications that are recommended for limited financial support the cost of which is £4,000.
- 5.3 Since submitting their application the Parkinson's Self Help Group in Monklands, lost equipment and goods when the Gartlea Community Centre was destroyed in a recent fire. Whilst some of the lost equipment was covered by insurance, the group has not been able to recover all of its losses. It is therefore recommended that their award be increased by £1,250 to help replace the items lost in the fire.
- 5.4 An application from Scottish Women's Aid has been submitted, it is recommended that this be refused, in view of the level of support provided to local Women's Aid organisations.
- 5.5 That the balance of the money which remains should be set aside to encourage local and voluntary organisations to come forward with proposals to develop new services which are based on partnership and innovative proposals which will be for the benefit of the people of North Lanarkshire. Any such developments will be reported to Committee.
- 5.6 It is suggested that now that the Council has moved to a three year funding cycle, a report be brought forward to a future meeting of the Social Work Committee on how the Section 10 budget can be restructured with a view to considering the principal of three year funding opportunities for those organisations which are supported through Section 10 monies.

6 RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 Committee is requested to:-

- i) approve this report
- ii) accept the recommendations listed in the appendix
- iii) request the Director of Social Work to bring forward an additional report addressing the allocation of the surplus in line with the reports findings and report on how the Section 10 budget can be structured to meet the new funding cycle.



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Director of Social Work
2 March 2001

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Organisation	Amount Requested	Last Years Amount	Recommended Award	Care Gr
Arbitrators of Lanarkshire in Hamilton	1000	800	£500	Commun
Arsons Self Help Group (Motherwell)	£2180.00	£1000.00	£1,000	Commun
Arsons Council on Addictions	£7000	£5500	£5,500	Commun
Arsons Self Help Group (Monklands)	£6585.60	£4500.00	£5,750	Commun
Arsons Self Help Group (Cumbernauld)	£1,500.00	Nil	£750	Commun
Arson Retinitis Pigmentosa Society West of Scotland Branch	£100.00	£50.00	£50	Commun
Association Scotland-North Lanarkshire	£600.00	£600.00	£600	Commun
'N' Jill Support Group	£3,640	£2,500	£2,500	Commun
Crisis Centre	£5,543	£4,510	£4,510	Commun
Arsons Elderly Asian Group	£4,522.92	£3,100.00	£3,100	Commun
Arsons Line Scotland	£2,977	£2,000	£2,000	Commun
Arsons Family Support Group	£1,500	£500.00	£500	Commun
Arsons Couple Counselling	£4,500	£1,000	£1,000	Commun
Arsons Services Development Centre	£3,145	£1,000	£1,000	Commun
Spark Initiative	£2,000	£2,000	£2,000	Commun
Arsons Health Users Helpline	£5,880	£1,000	£1,000	Commun
Arsons Bereavement Care (Strathkelvin Branch)	£11,000	£2,000	£2,000	Commun
Arsons Bereavement Care (Lanarkshire Branch)	£10,256	£2,000	£2,000	Commun
Arsons CE (West) Limited	£7,004	£6,800	£6,800	Commun
Arsons AL Support Group	£30,956	£6,000	£6,000	Commun
Arsons Am Club	£500.00	500.00	£500	Commun
Arsons Spina Bifida Association	£5,380	£1,000	£1,000	Commun
Arsons Sparky Project	£2,500	£2,000	£2,000	Commun
Arsons Blind UK	£2,500	£250.00	£250	Commun
Arsons Way Monklands	£1,272	£1,150	£1,150	Commun
Arsons Stone & District Carers Support Group	23706.32	10,400	£10,400	Commun
Arsons Motherwell Headway Group	£1,000	£500.00	£500	Commun
Arsons Self Help Group For The Visually Impaired	£1,776	£500.00	£500	Commun
Arsons Cumbernauld Branch of Multiple Sclerosis Society	£650.00	£650.00	£650	Commun
Arsons Cumbernauld and Kilsyth Addiction Service	£25,000	£18,500	£19,000	Commun
Arsons Hill Family Bereavement Service	£2,700	Nil	£250	Commun
	178873.84	82310	84760	

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Organisation	Amount Requested	Last Years Amount	Recommended Award	Care Group
Highland Womens Aid	£24,337.25	£21,600	£24,370	Commur
Lanarkshire Women's Aid Ltd	£41,474.00	£23,704.00	£24,370	Commur
Highland Support Scotland (Glasgow Office)	£8,795	£7,265	£7,256	Commur
Highland Support - North Lanarkshire	£5,000	£2,400	£2,400	Commur
Perth & District Women's Aid	35365	35365	£24,370	Commur
	114971.25	66653.704		82766

Organisation	Amount Requested	Last Years Amount	Recommended Award	Care Gro
About Our Streets (KAOS)	£6996	Nil	£1,000	Social In
uther Holiday Project	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	Social In
ish Pensions Association (National)	£300	£100	£100	Social In
DA (Strathclyde Credit Union Development Agency)	£9,500	£9,500	Continue	Social In
ra Mackay Out of School Care	£5790.67	Nil	£1,000	Social In
nains Community Advice Centre	40,000	£37,425.00	£41,385	Social In
rkshire OAP Club for the Deaf	£700.00	£100.00	£100	Social In
e Helping Hands	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	Social In
bernauld & Kilsyth Unemployed Workers Centre	£12,960	£9,800	£9,800	Social In
erwell Disability Forum	£4,358	£2,000	£2,000	Social In
ish Council For Single Homeless	£3,692.00	£2,000.00	£2,000	Social In
nclyde Elderly Forum	£11,440	£7,120	£7,120	Social In
Plus : One Parent Families	£10,300	£10,000	£10,000	Social In
y Mediation West	£10,500	£10,000	£10,000	Social In
ers in Advocacy	£1,600	£400	£400	Social In
h Old Peoples Welfare Committee	1276.19	£1000	£1,000	Social In
icted Growth Association	£350	Nil	£100	Social In
le (Glasgow)	£1061.00	Nil	£250	Social In
Concern Scotland	£9,789	£3,600	£3,600	Social In
	£85,812.91	£69,983.	£71,330	Social In
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