

LAMONT BEQUEST AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report gives Members information regarding 8 applications that have been received for support from the Lamont Bequest.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Bute and Cowal Area Committee are asked to:
- 2.1.1 agree to award £100 to each of the family applicants and £50 to each of the individual applicants who meet the criteria and;
 - 2.1.2 to refuse the 1 family application that does not meet the criteria of the Bequest.

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 The Bute and Cowal Area Committee on 01 December 2020 agreed new distribution arrangements for the Lamont Bequest, which had been established to support the poor of Kilfinan. In order to be considered for an award applicants must;
- 3.1.1 be in receipt of a qualifying benefit (Jobseekers Allowance, Employment Support Allowance, Income Support, or Universal Credit) and for those people who are employed/self-employed, they must be in receipt of some amount of Universal Credit as well (a nil payment due to deductions for earned income would mean they do not qualify);
 - 3.1.2 live within the Parish of Kilfinan, which includes everyone with a PA21 postcode; and
 - 3.1.3 be over the age of 16.
- 3.2 Furthermore, it was agreed that successful individual applicants would receive £50 while those applying on behalf of their family would receive £100.
- 3.3 Following agreement of the new distribution arrangements 8 applications have been received.
- 3.4 4 applications have been received on behalf of families. 3 of these applications are being recommended for award. A single application is recommended for

refusal as the applicant does not live within the PA21 postcode (please see appendices 1-4).

3.5 4 applications have been received on behalf of individuals, all of which meet the criteria and are therefore recommended for award (please see appendices 5-8).

3.6 The total funds available for distribution from the Lamont Bequest are approximately £6012. Should members be minded a total of £500 will be awarded during this award cycle.

5.0 CONCLUSION

5.1 Members are asked to consider applications that have been received for support from the Lamont Bequest and to approve the financial awards recommended within this report.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Policy	None
6.2 Financial	None, the Council acts as trustee for the Fund, it does not represent assets of the Council. However, there is a risk that the Council would have to repay the Trust if an objection was raised as to the use of the funds.
6.3 Legal	Area Committees, as Trustees, must ensure that the distribution arrangements comply with the terms of the funds, failure to do so would result in the Council being liable.
6.4 HR	None
6.5 Fairer Scotland Duty	None
6.5.1 Equalities – protected characteristics	None
6.5.2 Socio-economic Duty	None
6.5.3 Islands	None
6.6 Risk	None
6.7 Customer Service	None

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Family Application 1

Appendix 2 – Family Application 2

Appendix 3 – Family Application 3

Appendix 4 – Family Application 4

Appendix 5 – Individual Application 1

Appendix 6 – Individual Application 2

Appendix 7 – Individual Application 3

Appendix 8 – Individual Application 4