

LAMONT BEQUEST AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report gives Members information regarding four 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 agree to award £100 to the four family applicants and £50 to the individual applicant who meet the criteria;

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 Four applications have been received on behalf of families, all of which are recommended for award. Details of each application can be found at appendix 1.
- 3.4 A single application has been received on behalf of an individual, this application meets the criteria and is therefore recommended for award (please see appendix 2)
- 3.5 The total funds available for distribution from the Lamont Bequest are approximately £5.2k. Should members be minded a total of £450 will be

awarded during this award cycle.

4.0 CONCLUSION

4.1 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.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Policy	None
5.2 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.
5.3 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.
5.4 HR	None
5.5 Fairer Scotland Duty	None
5.5.1 Equalities – protected characteristics	None
5.5.2 Socio-economic Duty	None
5.5.3 Islands	None
5.6 Climate change	None
5.7 Risk	None
5.8 Customer Service	None

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Family Applications

Appendix 2 – Individual Application