

Bathgate Local Area Committee

Appendix 1

WARD: Bathgate; TOWN: Bathgate (£161,674)

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BAT01	Voluntary Sector Gateway West Lothian (VSGWL)	Creation of a Volunteering and Third Sector Hub	VSGWL have taken over new premises in Bathgate (the old WL Courier building as a new office base. The grant would help turn the vacant space on the first floor into a community hub/space to allow other local third sector organisations to meet and provide office and meeting facilities.	£39,750.00	Applicant	<p>Recommendation is to support this project, with suggested award: £39,750.</p> <p>There will be a role from the Council to provide advice on any enquiries relating to: planning permission, advertisement consent or building warrant enquiries, DDA regulation compliance.</p> <p>The applicant would project manage and deliver all aspects of the prescribed work.</p> <p>The applicant has intimated that they have a sustainable approach going forward. Officers will work with the applicant to ensure a robust case and one that meets conditions of grant.</p> <p>On the basis of the timelines identified, project can be delivered within prescribed timeline.</p> <p>The applicant has subsequently confirmed there has been interest expressed from within the third</p>

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						sector community in getting involved in the hub initiative within Bathgate.
BAT02	Visit West Lothian	Visitor Leaflet Display Rack	Purchase of one information display leaflet rack for use in a high footfall location within Bathgate; to promote attractions, accommodation providers and local business.	£295.00	Applicant	<p>Recommendation is to support this project, with suggested award: £295.</p> <p>The applicant would be responsible for all aspects of procurement, delivery and general upkeep of the display and its information content.</p> <p>The intended location of the information display has not been specified, but applicant would be responsible for any necessary agreements to site and maintain the display. Officers will work with the applicant to agree on a location that will fulfil the conditions of grant.</p> <p>The project would link to application proposals BAT05, BAT09 and BAT13, in terms of promotion and profiling in Bathgate.</p>
BAT03	Bathgate Band	Replacement Musical Equipment	Replacement of BBb Bass Tuba as current one is no longer suitable for competition use	£8,966.00	Applicant	<p>Recommendation is to not support this project, as it could potentially be funded through an alternative funding stream.</p> <p>The applicant would be responsible for this one-off musical equipment purchase; and for any ongoing maintenance of the equipment.</p>
BAT04	West Lothian Council	Town Centre: Deep Clean	'Deep clean' of the public realm throughout the traditional town	£10,000.00	West Lothian	Recommendation is to not support this project.

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			centre core within Bathgate town centre.		Council	<p>This would be a one-off deep clean exercise; similar to that successfully completed in 2010. There are no revenue cost implications.</p> <p>It is noted that a strategic bid has been submitted by Council NETs Land and Countryside Services, for new equipment that would serve to complete town centre deep clean work in Bathgate and across the county.</p> <p>If this bid were approved, this project would not necessarily be required and would be met for by the provision of the strategic equipment.</p>
BAT05	Rotary Club of Bathgate	Improving Bathgate profile	Town gateway with a granite sign promoting Rotary and welcoming all to Bathgate; Acquisition of market stalls for community access, to develop a monthly trade market.	£6,300.00	Applicant	<p>Recommendation is to support this project, with suggested award: £6,300.</p> <p>The bespoke gateway and signage element of the project would be project managed and delivered by the applicant (Rotary).</p> <p>This would include any necessary permissions and consents. The applicant would also be responsible for any ongoing maintenance.</p> <p>The market stalls would (it is intended) be open to use by the local community as required. The applicant would be responsible for their storage, maintenance and management.</p>

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						<p>These items are all one-off capital purchases with no revenue implications to the Council.</p> <p>The project would link to application proposals BAT02, BAT09 and BAT13, in terms of promotion of the town of Bathgate.</p>
BAT06	Reconnect Regal	Reconnect Regal Reface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A fresh and colourful paint scheme (in keeping with art deco sensibilities) ● A new banner system for greater flexibility/local advertising impact ● A new and improved lighting solution to make The Regal a standout feature of the town centre. ● A mostly cream paint finish, with the building's features being highlighted in the building's internal colour scheme ● New external lighting that follows this pattern, and uplifts the architecture at night ● New banner system for the front so that banners can be 	£45,580.00	Applicant /West Lothian Council	<p>Recommendation is to support this project, with suggested award: £45,580.</p> <p>The property is leased to Reconnect by West Lothian Council. Property Management and Development service would provide the necessary consent to implement works.</p> <p>Advice and support will be provided to the applicant in relation to obtaining any relevant planning permission or listed building consent.</p> <p>It is noted that there is prior commitment to finance capital expenditure of £10,000 to meet in part the costs associated with the restoration of the upper floor stained glass windows.</p>

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			<p>changed regularly; currently costs are in excess of £1000 a time due to access issues with the system. This would allow for both more shows being advertised, and local businesses utilising the space.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Restoring the stained glass windows on first floor lobby. 			
BAT07	West Lothian Council	Town Centre: Tree Lighting	<p>Permanent installation of LED 'pea lights' (quantity x10) to three specific areas within the identified town centre location. These would be branch wrapped, with or without trunk, subject to height restrictions (usually 2-2.5m height above ground) and reflecting health and safety requirements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Steelyard – circular granite seated planters (quantity x3) George Place - trees outside Greggs and Semichem (x5) The Steelyard – mature trees opposite Costa Coffee (x2) 	£12,000.00	West Lothian Council	<p>Recommendation is to support this project, subject to the revenue costs being met. Suggested award: £12,000.</p> <p>This project could be delivered by Council's Operational Services; with advice and support from Parks and Woodlands (trees) and Street Lighting (installation and supply). Initial discussion with these services has been supported.</p> <p>The project would accord with and link to the principles within the Bathgate public realm design guide and Bathgate Town Centre Management Group action plan.</p> <p>There is potential to look at solar power for light to avoid revenue costs.</p>

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BAT08	Glenmavis Bowling Club	Property (roof) refurbishment	The project will address the building defects by renewing the roof making it wind and waterproof.	£15,000.00	Applicant	<p>Recommendation is to not support this project.</p> <p>The property is leased to the bowling club by West Lothian Council. Property Management and Development service would provide the necessary consent to implement works.</p> <p>Whilst this is a Council owned property, the club is private and has full repair and insuring lease responsibility.</p>
BAT09	Enterprising Bathgate	Creating a Sense of Place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancing connectivity, legibility, amenity and safety of vennels/lanes • Lowering kerb at vennel on Hopetoun Lane • Re-locating CCTV camera to cover vennel at Hopetoun St. / Acredale • Bespoke signage/artwork to 'signpost' vennels (maintaining views/natural surveillance) • Improvements to active frontages (Premises Improvement Scheme) • Town Centre gateway signage/artwork • Bespoke street signage • Information plaques detailing 	£86,500.00	Applicant / West Lothian Council	<p>Recommendation is to support this project, excluding the premises improvement scheme. Suggested award: £31,500.</p> <p>The project comprises a range of separate but linked work components.</p> <p>Part of the works can be delivered through the applicant and/or Council's Operational Services, with other aspects being supported or advised through relevant Council services.</p> <p>It has been advised that the applicant will meet the ongoing revenue implications for planting and associated maintenance. Officers would work with applicant to secure this confirmation.</p> <p>The project would link to application proposals</p>

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			places and people of interest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of 2 benches adjacent to landscaped areas • Permanent planting in existing flower beds 			BAT02, BAT05 and BAT13, in terms of the wider promotion of the town of Bathgate.
BAT10	Bathgate Community Council	Restoring the McLagan Fountain and Water Project	Restore and adapt the fountain to facilitate drinking water; and provide local primary school children with stainless steel water bottles for re-use.	£50,000.00	Applicant /West Lothian Council	<p>Recommendation is to not support this project, allowing more time to investigate design and cost and consult the community.</p> <p>This project would need detailed investigation and costing work before any final decision was able to be made.</p> <p>The provision of stainless steel water bottles would not be an eligible capital cost.</p> <p>Project would be unlikely to be deliverable in time line prescribed to funding.</p> <p>There would be notable ongoing revenue costs that would require to be met, and may perhaps be project prohibitive.</p> <p>Alternative supply mechanism may be achievable through further dialogue with Scottish Water (who is rolling out top-up taps across Scotland).</p>
BAT11	Bathgate Community	Water Feature	The project would comprise the introduction of splash pads,	£50,000.00	Applicant /West	Recommendation is to not support this project, allowing more time to investigate design and cost

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	Council		water jets in the Steelyard area and close to the McLagan Fountain.		Lothian Council	<p>and consult the community.</p> <p>The project would need detailed investigation and costing work before any final decision was able to be made. Specialist consultancy advice would also be required.</p> <p>Project would be unlikely to be deliverable in time line prescribed to funding.</p> <p>There would be further ongoing revenue costs that would require to be identified and met, and may perhaps be project prohibitive.</p>
BAT12	Bathgate Community Council	Street Furniture and Lighting	Provision of various street furniture, seating and lighting that could be delivered quickly should there be difficulties encountered in achieving full spend by Spring 2020.	£35,000-£120,000	Applicant	<p>Recommendation is to not support this project.</p> <p>This project has been identified by the applicant as a reserve project, should funds be unallocated or other projects not be achieved within the March 2020 delivery deadline.</p> <p>There would be longer term revenue implications that would require to be discussed. Aspects of the proposal are duplicated with other items.</p>
BAT13	Bathgate Community Council	Putting Bathgate on the Map	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New town map boards at various locations • A town guide and map booklets • Establishment of a distinctive 	£50,000.00	Applicant	<p>Recommendation is to support this project, with a partial allocation lower than the application. Suggested award: £26,249.</p> <p>The project would link to application proposals</p>

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			<p>brand for Bathgate for use in all elements of the marketing campaign.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New modern interactive information boards would be sited in prominent locations and a scheme of historic Bathgate sites marked with plaques with scannable codes for extra info. • Linked tourist maps and historic walks guides • Website devoted to the promotion of Bathgate, as a destination and linked to Visit West Lothian (website) • Advertising each of the businesses within the town for free 			<p>BAT02, BAT05 and BAT09, in terms of active town promotion for Bathgate.</p> <p>There may be aspects of duplication with other projects that will necessitate clarification and agreement with the applicant.</p> <p>Further discussion required around elements that may not be considered eligible costs.</p>
BAT14	Bathgate Community Council	Commuter car park and access to rail station	Re-open former rail station car park behind Bathgate retail park; and the creation of a shared footpath/cycleway to link this to the (new) rail station car park.	£50,000.00	Applicant	<p>Recommendation is to not support this project, due the factors outlined below.</p> <p>The existing car park site has been approved for disposal by Council Executive. The project may not be deliverable if the land is to be sold on by the Council to a third party interest.</p> <p>Further discussion would be required with stakeholders including Network Rail, ScotRail and</p>

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						<p>the Council services. The project is complex and will not be able to be delivered within timeframe.</p> <p>The project would link to the Regeneration Plan, Station Travel Plan, Bathgate Town Centre Management Group action plan.</p>