

7. PENSIONERS' GROUPS CHRISTMAS FUND ALLOCATIONS 2018

The committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Head of Planning, Economic Development and Regeneration advising of the groups invited to apply for the Pensioners' Groups Christmas Fund 2018 in the Livingston North ward, Livingston-wide groups and West Lothian-wide groups.

In 2018, the total amount available was £29,054 with the fund being divided by the total number of beneficiaries. Seven applications had been issued to groups across the Livingston North ward, with two returned to date. The intention was to support all seven groups upon submission of their application. Appendix 1 of the report detailed those groups proposed to be supported and the approximate number of beneficiaries in each.

One application had also been sent to a Livingston-wide group and three applications to West Lothian-wide groups with one returned to date. The intention was to support all of these groups once the applications had been returned. Appendix 2 provided further details on those applications and the approximate number of beneficiaries.

The committee noted that a full report on the final allocations would be presented to the Voluntary Organisations PDSP later in the year with letters to be issued to groups in late October advising of the level of funding they would receive.

The report recommended that the committee note that seven groups within Livingston North ward had been invited to apply and applications were awaited.

Decision

To note the terms of the report.