

## Minute of Meeting

### Renfrew and Gallowhill Local Area Committee

Date	Time	Venue
Tuesday, 08 November 2016	18:30	Gallowhill Community Centre, Netherhill Road, Paisley, PA3 4SF

#### **PRESENT**

Councillors B Brown, M Devine, McEwan, Murrin, Paterson and Perrie.

#### **CHAIR**

Councillor M Devine, Convener, presided.

#### **COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE**

J Shaw, Renfrew Community Council.

#### **COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERS**

F Mackay, Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership and Chief Inspector S Wright, Police Scotland.

#### **IN ATTENDANCE**

D McAllion, Data Analytics & Research Manager (Chief Executive's); C Cunning, Social Work Manager- Operations (Children's Services); K Anderson, Amenity Services Manager - Waste and C Robertson, Community Safety Manager (both Community Resources); S McMillan, Policy & Regeneration Manager and S Jones, Assistant Manager (Regeneration) (both Development & Housing Services); and D Low, Senior Committee Services Officer (LACs) (Finance & Resources).

## **APOLOGIES**

J George, St James Pastoral Council; D Graham, Renfrew Cricket Club, E Harkness, Scottish Youth Parliament; D Hoey, Renfrew Burgh Band; A Philpot, Renfrewshire Visually Impaired Forum; P Watson, St Margaret's Episcopal Church; and J Young, Friends of Renfrew.

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest intimated by Members prior to the meeting.

## **ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

The Convener intimated that there were two additional items in relation to applications for grant funding from Jazzle Dazzle Fundraising and St Catherine's PTA Fundraising, which had not been included in the notice calling the meeting. The Convener, being of the opinion that the items, which were dealt with at item 11 of this Minute, were urgent, in order to consider the applications timeously, authorised their consideration.

### **1 RENFREWSHIRE HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE PARTNERSHIP UPDATE**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) relative to the formation of the HSCP in terms of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014; the development of a performance framework for the HSCP; and the development of new projects in the community to improve health.

**DECIDED:** That the report be noted.

### **2 COMMUNITY SAFETY & PUBLIC PROTECTION UPDATE**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Resources providing a progress update on Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership activities carried out in the Renfrew & Gallowhill Local Area Committee (LAC) area during the period 1 April to 30 September 2016.

The report provided information on Renfrew and Gallowhill community safety statistics; environmental enforcement and improvement activities; protecting vulnerable residents; building safer communities; diversionary activities; and a spotlight on adult protection.

**DECIDED:** That the report be noted.

### **3 OPEN SESSION/KEY LOCAL ISSUES**

The Senior Committee Services Officer (LACs) advised that Gallowhill Community Council had been disbanded and would therefore not be represented on the LAC.

**DECIDED:** That it be noted that that Gallowhill Community Council had been disbanded and would therefore not be represented on the LAC.

**4 PRESENTATION: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

C Cunning, Social Work Manager - Operations, gave a presentation on gender-based violence including details of what gender-based violence was, the number of people affected by it, Renfrewshire's multi-agency response to the issue and ongoing and specific actions being undertaken to tackle gender-based violence.

**DECIDED:** That the presentation be noted.

**5 THOMAS COATS MEMORIAL CHURCH UPDATE**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Development & Housing Services relative to the award of a grant by this LAC at its meeting held on 10 May 2016 as a contribution to the cost of a replacement boiler at the Coats Memorial Church, Paisley.

The report intimated that the estimated cost of replacing the boiler exceeded greatly the estimates previously submitted and that as a result of the new projected costs Community Resources was investigating opportunities to undertake a temporary fix to the boiler system to enable the building to remain heated and open for use. In the event that a temporary fix was not possible, the funding would be returned to the LAC.

**DECIDED:** That the LAC's award of £2,000 be retained by the trustees of the Coats Memorial Church for temporary repairs to the boiler and heating system to enable the building to remain in active use.

**6 PRESENTATION: SCOTTISH INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION 2016**

D McAllion, Data Analytics and Research Manager, gave a presentation on the publication of SIMD 16 which compared overall deprivation of small areas; compared the seven domains of deprivation; compared the proportion of small areas in a council that were very deprived; found areas where many people experienced multiple deprivation; and found areas of greater need for support and intervention.

**DECIDED:** That the presentation be noted.

**7 FAMILIES FIRST EARLY YEARS STRATEGY IMPACT EVALUATION REPORT MAY 2016**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Children's Services relative to the May 2016 early years strategy impact evaluation report which was the third in a series of formative self-evaluations of the impact of Renfrewshire's "Families First" Early Years strategy. The evaluation commenced in December 2015 and was completed in April 2016.

The early years implementation plan had produced 57 actions and these were detailed in the appendix section of the evaluation report. Telephone interviews were conducted with the lead officers responsible for the 57 actions and this helped to inform the impact which the strategy was having on parenting skills and wellbeing; attachment and child wellbeing; and professional skills, structures and services.

**DECIDED:** That the contents and conclusions on the May 2016 Impact Evaluation Report be noted.

**8 PRESENTATION: PAISLEY 2021 UPDATE**

S McMillan, Policy and Regeneration Manager, gave a presentation on progress made on the Paisley 2021 City of Culture bid project.

**DECIDED:** That the presentation be noted.

**9 GRANT AWARD FEEDBACK**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to project feedback received from community and voluntary groups in receipt of LAC funding.

**DECIDED:** That the report be noted.

**10 BUDGET MONITORING**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to the Renfrew and Gallowhill LAC budget for 2016/17

**DECIDED:** That the report be noted

**11 APPLICATIONS FOR LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE GRANT FUNDING**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to applications received for local area committee funding.

**DECIDED:** That the applications for funding be determined as follows:-

Renfrew Football Club - change of heating system to a more environmentally-friendly model- continued to May 2017 meeting

Inchinnan Historical Interest Group – 3D modelling of ancient stones - declined

Jazzle Dazzle Fundraising - competition entrance fees - awarded £2,000

St Catherine's PTA Fundraising - two-day programme of instructor-led outdoor activities for 26 pupils - awarded £1,850

**12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was noted that the next meeting of this LAC would be held in Renfrew Town Hall at 6.30 pm on 7 February 2017.