

To: Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership

On: 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023

### Report by:

Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Council

#### TITLE:

Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report

# 1. Summary

- 1.1 Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership provides funding to community groups to undertake projects. This funding is allocated from the General Grant Fund and, through a Participating Budgeting exercise known as Celebrating Renfrewshire.
- 1.2 A table setting out the funds allocated by Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership in 2023/24 and current budget position is attached as an appendix to this report.
- 1.3 Feedback from projects receiving funding in 2022/23 on the outcome of projects is also attached.

## 2. Recommendation

2.1 It is recommended that the budget monitoring report and feedback from recipients of funding in 2022/23 be noted.

General Grant Fund	£43,639.00 (net of Members expenses)
Total funding available in 2023/24	£43,639.00
Total funding awarded in 2022/23	£42,200.82
Available Funding	£1,438.18

Grant	Organisation	Awarded	Paid	Still to be
Ref				paid
FR1051	The Renfrewshire Toy Bank	£960.00	£960.00	£0.00
FR1052	Inchinnan Development Trust	£566.00	£566.00	£0.00
FR1057	Inchinnan Community Nursery	£3,600.00	£3,600.00	£0.00
FR1064	Fèis Phàislig	£3,576.00	£3,576.00	£0.00
FR1078	Erskine Community Council	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£0.00
FR1081	Langbank Swing park Regeneration	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£0.00
FR1098	SNACK	£1,081.38	£1,081.38	£0.00
FR1099	Bonnie Bishopton	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£0.00
FR1105	Erskine Community Nursery SCIO	£4,920.00	£4,920.00	£0.00
FR1122	Inchinnan Community Council	£1,408.35	£1,408.35	£0.00
FR1127	Bishopton Week Group	£1,972.40	£1,972.40	£0.00
FR1146	Erskine Arts	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£0.00
FR1148	Shopmobility Paisley and District	£1,019.40	£1,019.40	£0.00
FR1149	Renfrewshire Access Panel	£2,049.29	£0.00	£2,049.29
FR1158	Erskine Over 50's Swimming Club	£2,048.00	£2,048.00	£0.00

Celebrating Renfrewshire Fund	£20,288.00
Carry forward from 2022/23	£ 1,700.00
Total funding available in 2023/24	£21,988.00
Total funding awarded in 2023/24	£21,988.00
Available funding	£0.00

Grant Ref	Organisation	Awarded	Paid	Still to be paid
CE1012	Erskine Arts	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	£0.00
CE1013	Erskine Arts	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	£0.00
CE1014	Erskine Youth Council	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	£0.00
CE1020	Inchinnan Development Trust	£3,240.00	£3,240.00	£0.00
CE1028	Loud n Proud	£748.00	£748.00	£0.00
CE1032	Paisley Pirates Ice Hockey Supporters Club	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1038	Renfrew Town Sea Scouts	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1039	Renfrew Victoria YFC	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1048	St Mirren Youth Football Club 2010's	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	£0.00
CE1057	Who Cares? Scotland	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00

## Feedback On Local Partnership Awards 2022/23

Community groups awarded funding from the Local Partnership in 2022/23 were asked to provide feedback regarding the progress of their project and benefit to the local community.

Feedback received is as follows:

#### Feedback previously reported.

FR No.	Organisation Name	Project Name	Award
FR1062	Renfrewshire Toy Bank	Renfrewshire Toy Bank	£1,400.00
FR1089	Shopmobility	Partnership Working with Inchinnan Development Trust and Paisley Darkside Historical Walking Tours	£645.00
FR1075	Inchinnan Development Trust	India Tyres playing fields (ITPF) drainage solution	£10,000.00
FR1118	Bonnie Bishopton	Christmas Lights	£5,000.00
FR1149	Inchinnan Community Council	Inchinnan Village Planting Club	£3,100.00

# Feedback received since May 23 meeting.

Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Erskine Arts

Section 2

2.1 Project Name Music Workshops for Older Adults

2.2 Total Amount Received £6980.00

2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

Our Priorities were to encourage & support people to take part in greater creative exploration; in developing practical musical skills and in the craft of songwriting. The classes were free and open to all adults aged 50 and over - with music tuition remaining expensive & non-existent to that demographic's childhood, we hope that this brings balance, removes barriers and supports wellbeing and learning in a safe, inclusive environment.

2.4 What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on?

Learning an instrument can be intimidating at any age but we know that many adults can be particularly reluctant to begin at a later stage in their lives. These lessons have offered practical skills development in an environment cultivated to encourage inclusion, participation and creative exploration. The lessons have facilitated the development of relationships amongst those participating and, although our focus is ostensibly on music, we are acutely aware of the importance of the social aspect. We have exceeded our expectations of this project and have had to create more classes than planned to accommodate the need from the community. All of the funding was spent on its intended purpose and we have made the decision to invest some of our own unrestricted reserves to expand the offer to include a new Adult Jam Session every Friday afternoon which has been very popular.

Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

We have had regular weekly attendance over the funding duration period of around 60 adults. These people are mainly from the Erskine area however we have had people attending from Bishopton, Inchinnan, Renfrew, Bridge of Weir and Paisley.

# 3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

The impact on the community has been incredible. Not only did we have to increase the number of classes but we have made the decision to continue these classes long after the funded period. We have had to invest much of our own income to continue the project. The funding from LAC has had a substantial impact on the community and on Erskine Arts. The attendance of these older adults has helped to develop a creative community and real civic pride (something which has been lacking here locally) Not only are we making a creative workshop offer but we have identified strong relationships, meaningful friendship groups, people regaining confidence, good health and wellbeing. Much of this is recorded in attendance records and although we have had lots of positive verbal feedback we are in the process of conducting a feedback survey and video diary of those who have attended over the funded period.