

To: Johnstone & the Villages Local Area Committee

On: 16 February 2017

Report by: Director of Finance & Resources

Heading: Mary Barbour Memorial

1. Summary

- 1.1 At a meeting of this Local Area Committee (LAC) held on 21 May 2015, it was recommended that an award of £6,000 be made from the Kilbarchan element of the Renfrewshire Council Citizens Fund to erect a memorial cairn, park bench and interpretive board on Low Green, Kilbarchan, in recognition of Kilbarchan-born, radical visionary Mary Barbour. This recommendation was agreed at the meeting of the Finance & Resources Policy Board held on 26 August 2015.
- 1.2 As a result of additional ground works the final cost of the memorial and information plaque was £7,862 and the memorial was officially unveiled on 21 November 2015. However, as a result of the increased costs of the memorial cairn the bench was not installed at that time.
- 1.3 The cost of the bench, including installation and ground works, has been estimated as £700 and the LAC is requested to consider recommending a further award of £700 from the Kilbarchan element of the Renfrewshire Council Citizens Fund to meet the cost of this.

2. Recommendations

The LAC is requested to recommend to the Finance & Resources Policy Board:

2.1 That a further award of £700 from the Kilbarchan element of the Renfrewshire Council Citizens Fund to meet the cost of installing a commemorative bench at the Mary Barbour memorial cairn, Kilbarchan.

2.2 That the additional allocation of £1,862 to the cost of constructing the Mary Barbour memorial cairn from the Kilbarchan element of the Renfrewshire Council Citizens Fund be homologated.

Implications of this report

1. Financial Implications

Costs incurred by agreeing the recommendations can be met from the Renfrewshire Council Citizens Fund.

2. HR and Organisational Development Implications None.

3. Community Plan/Council Plan Implications

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 The memorial provides recognition of the contribution made by Mary Barbour to the fabric of life in Renfrewshire and the West of Scotland.

4. Legal Implications

Compliance with the Council's Condition of Grants

5. Property/Assets Implications

None.

6. Information Technology Implications

None.

7. Equality and Human Rights Implications

The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report because all grant applicants must submit valid constitutions containing equality statements. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.

8. Health and Safety Implications

None.

9. Procurement Implications

None.

10. Risk Implications

None.

11. Privacy Impact

None.

List of Background Papers

None

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