

Notice of Meeting and Agenda Johnstone and the Villages Local Area Committee

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 25 August 2016	18:00	Johnstone Town Hall, Ludovic Square, Johnstone, PA5 8EG

KENNETH GRAHAM
Head of Corporate Governance

Membership

Councillor Derek Bibby: Councillor John Caldwell: Councillor Andy Doig: Councillor Stephen McGee: Councillor Iain McMillan:

Councillor Christopher Gilmour (Convener): Councillor John Hood (Depute Convener):

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Items of business

Apologies

Apologies from members.

Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare an interest in any item(s) on the agenda and to provide a brief explanation of the nature of the interest.

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To: JOHNSTONE & VILLAGES LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE

On: 25 AUGUST 2016

Report by: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES

**Heading: COMMUNITY SAFETY & PUBLIC PROTECTION,
 PROGRESS UPDATE**

1. Summary

1.1 This report provides a progress update on activities the Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership has carried out in the Johnstone and Villages area in quarter 1 (1 April – 30 June 2016). A number of partners have provided statistical information, including: Police Scotland; Scottish Fire & Rescue Service; and Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership. The report includes information on:

- Johnstone and Villages community safety statistics;
- Environmental enforcement and improvement activities;
- Protecting vulnerable residents;
- Building safer communities;
- Diversionary activities;
- A spotlight on Getting it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC).

2. Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that the Local Area Committee notes the content of this progress update report.

3. Focus on Johnstone and Villages

- 3.1 The table below details the number of incidents reported in the Johnstone and Villages Local Area during Quarter 1, 2016/17 (April to June 2016). The Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership continues to target resources into identified hotspot areas.

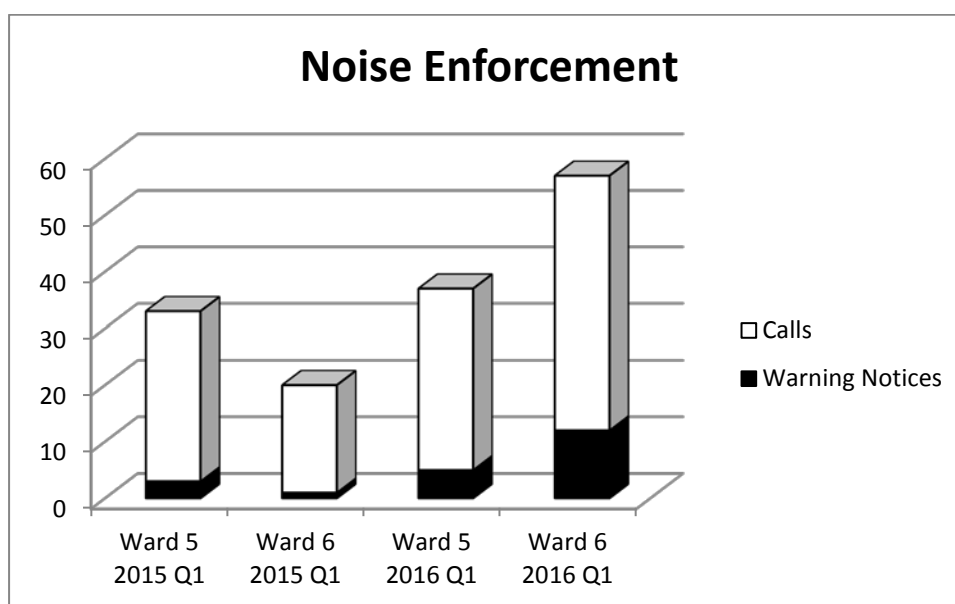
Incidents Reported	Q1 2015/16		Q1 2016/17	
	Ward 7	Ward 8	Ward 7	Ward 8
Serious Violent Crime	4	7	2	7
Minor Assault	27	23	26	31
Drug Crime	31	38	26	50
Disorder and Anti Social Behaviour (ASB) (number of calls)	242	221	197	278
Vandalism	22	20	27	35

- 3.2 Reductions within Anti Social Behaviour and disorder across the LAC area can be attributed to recent coordinated pro-active interventions from all partners. This has included Police Scotland and Wardens conducting increasingly targeted patrols, and intensive activity from Youth Officers which has included liaison with local shops and Head Teachers/janitors of local schools; community safety visits to all youths identified in youth disorder; leaflet drops to relevant areas and the diversionary activities of Street Stuff.
- 3.3 However, within Ward 8 increases were noted within drug crime, Anti Social Behaviour / disorder calls, and Vandalism. The vast majority of drug crimes were committed within Johnstone Town Centre and immediate surrounds, with 96% of these being for possession of user amounts of (predominantly) cannabis. Due to the drug type and quantity; location; and peak time for offences (1800hrs to midnight); it is most likely that this reflects a seasonal increase in recreational use. The main increase within Disorder and Anti Social Behaviour calls has been within complaints of Public Nuisance, which now peak notably on weekend days. Further analysis indicates that this increase is mainly attributable to an increase in reports of youths gathering and drinking within the Miller Street area during early April. This was met with a coordinated and robust response including increased patrols from both Police and Wardens, as well as engagement from local Youth Officers. This achieved the desired effect, with no further incidents of this type reported during the intervening period to date. The increase in vandalism can mostly be attributed to a known repeat location in the area of Morrisons Supermarket which suffered nine separate incidents between mid-May to mid-June. There have been no further incidents reported since 20th June, however Wardens and Youth Officers are in regular dialogue with Morrisons to monitor the situation.
- 3.4 **Renfrewshire Wardens' Antisocial Behaviour Calls**
95 antisocial behaviour calls were received by the Renfrewshire Wardens' service for the Johnstone and Villages LAC area during April to June 2016. This is a decrease compared to the same period in 2015 which also corresponds with the reduction of

incidents reported to Police Scotland. 900 patrols took place within the Johnstone and Villages LAC area, many in response to these calls. The calls made to the Wardens also assist in helping the Community Safety Partnership to respond to and direct resources across Renfrewshire.

3.5 Noise Enforcement

During April to June 2016, the number of calls to the Noise Team increased in both wards but especially in Ward 6. There has been a significant increase in the issuing of Warning Notices in both Wards which corresponds to the rise in calls. However, the warning process continues to show that early intervention is working well, with no Fixed Penalty Notices being required for continued excessive noise.



3.7 Noise Action Week

Noise Action Week, to raise awareness of noise, took place on 23-28 May. Noise Action Week was co-ordinated by Environmental Protection UK who assist the work undertaken by professionals in noise management. The Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership supported the initiative by sending messages via social media to highlight noise legislation, enforcement action and services provided by the Community Safety Partnership. In May 2016, the service received 108 noise complaints that are being followed up.

4 Environmental Enforcement and Improvements

4.1 Rapid Response Team

The Rapid Response Team has been undertaking daily environmental enforcement patrols within Renfrewshire. Strong links have been established with local businesses and community groups working together to address environmental issues affecting specific areas. Since April 2016 the team have:

- Carried out over 200 investigations of environmental crime including flytipping, backcourt dumping, trade waste, litterbins, flyposting, graffiti and street litter
- Issued 7 Section 34 Notices and 2 FPNs for littering issues;
- Uplifted and disposed of over 4 tonnes of waste.

4.2 **Community Clean Ups**

The Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership continue to support community groups and school pupils to do their bit for Renfrewshire by providing the interested groups with litter pickers, graffiti removal kits and by arranging uplift of any rubbish collected. 21 litter picks / clean ups were conducted in Renfrewshire during March-June 2016.

(If you are interested in planning a community clean up please contact us on 0300 300 0380 or litterpicks@renfrewshire.gov.uk)

5 **Protecting the Vulnerable**

5.1 **Renfrewshire Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference**

The Renfrewshire Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) process has been established within Renfrewshire since October 2015. Safe Lives, the domestic violence charity, will carry out a full evaluation once MARAC has been operational for 12 months however an interim review of referrals has been carried out with the overview highlighting:

- 4 of the referrals have been suitable for the perpetrator to be referred to the Multi Agency Tasking & Coordinating meeting (MATAC);
- In the 77 referrals to MARAC, there have been 98 children discussed, with appropriate actions being taken from the meeting to safeguard the children from further harm;
- Of the 98 children discussed within the process, 30 were of pre-school age, 48 were Primary school age, 16 Secondary school age, 3 aged 16-18 and 1 aged over 18;
- From the 77 referrals, 100% are where domestic abuse occurred within a male and female relationship.

5.2 Renfrewshire has already been recognised by “Safe Lives” as having developed a solid foundation around the introduction of MARAC and has been recommending the approach as a good practice model to other Local Authorities. Currently Renfrewshire is assisting East Renfrewshire Council and Inverclyde Council to help them establish their own MARAC, sharing good practice and ensuring useful continuity of working practices throughout the Police division locally.

5.3 **I Am Me/Keep Safe**

The I Am Me project was a key speaker at the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Services Hate Crime Conference in Glasgow in March 2016. I Am Me promoted their new teaching and training resources, showing clips from their Primary School Resource films to an audience of around 300 people.

5.4 The I Am Me CineBus was launched on the 13th July 2016. The bus will be used to raise awareness of Disability Hate Crime by showing films within schools and to groups across Scotland. This mobile cinema/theatre is supported by Renfrewshire Council and will be made available for Community Safety events locally. The bus was donated by Stagecoach and funded through the Keys to Life Development Fund.

5.5 The Keep Safe initiative works in partnership with Police Scotland and is supported by the Crown Office. The latest Renfrewshire premises to sign up to Keep Safe are Blend Coffee, Hamishes Hoose, Yorkshire Building Society and Gilmour Street Train Station. There are currently over 140 Keep Safe premises across Renfrewshire. The initiative also operates in Edinburgh, Inverclyde, Borders and Dumfries and Galloway and is in the process of being adopted in the three Ayrshire Councils, East Dunbartonshire, Aberdeen, Dundee and Perth & Kinross.

5.6 **Private Rented Housing Improvements**

New powers, as reported to the Housing & Community Safety Policy Board in May 2016, introduced by the Housing (Scotland) Act 2014 are being used to deal with private sector landlords who are not maintaining the physical condition of their property. Landlords who do not meet appropriate standards and conditions can be reported to the Private Rented Housing Panel who can impose sanctions and require that the property condition is improved. This is key to improving the standards of accommodation within the private rented sector - especially accommodation used by the most vulnerable members of our community. There is a disproportionate degree of disrepair in the private rented sector relative to other types of housing tenure, especially for residents affected by poverty and this has been recognised by the Council's Tackling Poverty Strategy which has funded the appointment of a temporary enforcement officer to work specifically in relation to this activity.

5.7 **No Substitute for Life**

The 5th annual No Substitute for Life 7-a-side football tournament was held in Ferguslie Park Sports Centre on 26th June 2016. It brings the community together to raise awareness of suicide, and the services and support available to people in crisis. It also challenges stigma. The annual event established by a local Ferguslie resident raises awareness of the issue from personal experience of losing close friends to suicide. The No Substitute for Life tournament was supported by Street Stuff activities and attended by hundreds of footballers and supporters on the day.

6. **Building Safer Communities**

6.1 **Operation Monarda**

The Trading Standards and Licensing Team supported the Police Scotland led the bi-annual "Operation Monarda" campaign to tackle doorstep crime. Roadstops were undertaken on arterial routes throughout Renfrewshire, to disrupt and deter rogue

traders. Suspected traders were stopped by Traffic Police and drivers were challenged to provide their identities. Contract paperwork was checked and advice and guidance was issued where required. Teams consisting of officers from Trading Standards and Police Scotland also patrolled known doorstep crime “hotspot” areas and tradespeople undertaking work on people’s homes were challenged to ensure compliance with consumer protection legislation. Positively, no rogue traders were found in the course of this work and traders who were subject to challenge welcomed this approach to regulating their business sector and protecting and supporting legitimate businesses.

6.2 Daily Tasking Review

The Community Safety Hub holds a daily tasking meeting to review community safety incidents which have occurred over the past twenty-four hours and tasks them to the relevant partners. This collaborative partnership enables information sharing and pooling of resources to tackle antisocial behaviour and other issues throughout Renfrewshire. In September 2015, a positive evaluation highlighted that Daily Tasking was a very successful joint working partnership approach which now processes over 5,000 referrals per year. This is supported by regular attendance of all key partners including the Health and Social Care Partnership and particular benefits have been seen in supporting earlier interventions in instances where individuals are particularly vulnerable for example due to mental health problems.

6.3 Spring / Summer Events, 2016

During April-August 2016, the Community Safety Partnership including wardens, CCTV and Street Stuff have been supporting various spring/summer events throughout Renfrewshire. This included major national events like the British Pipe Band Championship and Colourfest 2016, the dance festival at Braehead. In addition, they also attended more local events such as Paisley Food Festival, Sma Shot Day, The County Grand Orange Lodge Parade, Building Safer Greener Communities events in Ferguslie Park, local gala days and the Armed Forces Day at Paisley Abbey. The wardens provided the Safe Bus and the CCTV vehicle at many of these events. Meanwhile, Street Stuff was in attendance at the family orientated events like the gala days, providing football and dance activities for young people to participate in.

6.4 The Fire Reach Programme

The Fire Reach programme is delivered by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and the Community Safety Youth Team. The course targets young people who have come to the attention of the Community Safety Hub through their involvement in fire related offences. This intensive one week course focuses on raising the awareness of participants about the impact of deliberate fire raising and antisocial behaviour and promotes team building. The last 2 courses took place during May and June 2016 with 24 young people participating. The number of deliberate fires attended by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service across Renfrewshire is higher in 2016 so far when compared to 2015. As a result the Partnership have increased the number of Fire Reach courses to tackle this issue.

7. Diversionary Activities

7.1 Street Stuff

The Street Stuff programme continues to be delivered throughout Renfrewshire and continues to go from strength to strength. To date over 13,000 attendances have been recorded at core activities with around 170 attendances per day at summer holiday activities. Street Stuff's annual Football Festival was held at the Paisley 2021 Stadium during May. Young people aged between 10 and 16 years old competed in 5-a-side games on the main pitch at the Paisley 2021 Stadium. To coincide with the football, Street Stuff's first Dance-Clubbercise class was delivered in the Stadium's new supporters' lounge. Both events were free which helped to increase the total number of participants to a record attendance of 375 on the night.

7.2 Street Stuff Dance has introduced **free** Cheerleading classes for all abilities every Wednesday from 6-8pm at Paisley 2021 Stadium. These classes are for anyone aged 8 to 18, giving young people the opportunity to learn new routines, tricks, make new friends and have fun. Last season the Cheerleaders led out the teams for a few games and will be a key feature for the coming football season backing St Mirren team in every Championship home match.

7.3 Over the summer, Street Stuff has been working with young people to develop 2 new buses to be added to their programme of activities with particular links to the Partnership bid for City of Culture, Paisley 2021. 300 young people have been consulted on what they would like to see on the buses with activities including; music, DJ decks, song writing, recording, media, broadcasting, and production as well as traditional gaming scoring high on the list. In addition, young people are working with Street Threads to design the overall wrap combining Street Stuff & Paisley 2021 branding with images of new activities that will be available board. It is anticipated that both the new buses will be operational for the autumn/winter 2016 programme.

7.4 The table below shows Street Stuff activity and attendance in the Johnstone and Villages LAC area from April to June 2016:

Venue	Attendance
Johnstone Castle Youth Bus and Football	253
West Johnstone Dance	23
Kilbarchan Youth Bus	10
Johnstone TC Youth Bus	24
McMaster Football and Box	638
Total	948

7.5 During the 6 week summer holidays, daytime activities have been delivered on Tuesdays & Thursdays at the McMaster Centre with the delivery of activities and the provision of a healthy meal. The introduction of dance to these activities has proven to be a success and evening classes are being considered in the new block of activities. A verbal update will be provided on the night with the most up to date information.

- 7.6 Funding from this LAC in 2016/17 has allowed Street Stuff to deliver extra sessions in local areas. Street Stuff now provide 10 sessions over 6 days per week in the spring months in the Johnstone and Villages LAC area. Previously in 2015 it was only 6 sessions over 3 days per week. New areas are currently being explored for additional activities to be delivered over the next few months and timetable will be updated accordingly.

(Details of Street Stuff activities are available on the council's website using the following link <http://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/article/2381/Street-Stuff> and copies of the up to date timetable will be available at the next meeting.)

8 Public Protection Spotlight – Getting It Right For Every Child

- 8.1 Getting it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC) is the National approach to improving the services that support the wellbeing of children and young people in Scotland. It is an approach that has several principles at its core. GIRFEC:
- puts the best interests of the child or young person at the heart of decision making;
 - takes a holistic approach to the wellbeing of a child;
 - builds on strengths and capacities of children, young people and their families to improve wellbeing;
 - advocates preventative work and early intervention to support children, young people and their families, and, wherever possible to reduce the need for statutory interventions; and
 - builds on developing strong universal services with additional services brought in where required to meet the needs of children, young people and families
- 8.2 The GIRFEC approach ensures that services are brought together more effectively to provide help and support for children, young people and their parents when they need it. The approach supports children's and young people's rights, involving children and young people wherever possible in any decisions that affect them and helping services to support parents while respecting parents' rights and responsibilities for bringing up their children. It recognises that most children and young people usually get the support they need from their parents, wider families and communities and from universal services like health and education.
- 8.3 Children and families can experience difficulties which may affect wellbeing; the approach ensures that children, young people and their parents have a single point of contact if and when they need additional advice or support. The approach recognises parents' role as the primary carers of their children and ensures that parents and families retain control, other than in exceptional circumstances, for example where there are child protection concerns, in which case existing child protection procedures would apply. The approach is based on children, young people

and their parents working in partnership with the services that can help and support them.

- 8.4 The GIRFEC approach will lead to early and effective intervention at any point in a child's life where it is necessary to improve wellbeing outcomes. By acting to support wellbeing as soon as unmet needs or concerns are identified and well before crisis points are reached, the approach ensures that every child is supported in a timely and proportionate way.

(Information for public is available on the Scottish Government website <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/People/Young-People/gettingitright> and Renfrewshire Council website: <http://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/article/2937/Getting-It-Right-For-Every-Child>.)

Scottish Government will circulate information leaflets and posters to local authority areas shortly and these will be available in schools, health centres and social work offices (they are currently available electronically on the Council website).)

Implications of this Report

1. **Financial** – none.
2. **HR & Organisational Development** – none.
3. **Community Plan/Council Plan**

Safer and Stronger – The activities set out within this report contribute to ensuring that Renfrewshire is a safe and tolerant place where residents and visitors enjoy a high level of personal safety and public protection, are free from crime and vulnerable children and adults are well looked after and protected.

Greener – Activities set out in this report contribute towards developing the quality of the environment of Renfrewshire in a sustainable way ensuring it is clean, green and safe for all residents and visitors.

4. **Legal** – none.
5. **Property/Assets** – none.
6. **Information Technology** – none.
7. **Equality & Human Rights** – 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.

8. **Health And Safety** – none.

9. **Procurement** – none.

10. **Risk** – none.

11. **Privacy Impact** – none.

List of Background Papers - none

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To: Johnstone & the Villages Local Area Committee

On: 25 August 2016

Report by: Director of Finance & Resources

Heading: Grant Award Feedback

1. Summary

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide some detail on a number of projects that were funded by the Johnstone & the Villages LAC in 2015/16.

2. Recommendations

2.1 The LAC is requested to note the report.

3. Background

3.1 The Johnstone & the Villages LAC committed a total of £89,585 in expenditure on projects and activities within Renfrewshire during 2015/16. This report provides an overview of feedback submitted by a number of the successful grant applicants.

3.2 Johnstone Cub Pack

3.2.1 The Cub Pack was awarded £1,500 towards a total expedition cost of £2,674 for lodgings, food and activities at Lochgoilhead. A total of 20 cubs took part in the event and gained appropriate badges for their participation. The young people gained a variety of new skills which encouraged both them and other young people to engage in an active outdoor lifestyle.

3.3 Johnstone Scout Group

3.3.1 The Scout Group was awarded £4,000 towards the cost of security upgrades at the scout hall. The award was utilised towards the cost of new custom made steel fire doors, the upgrading of the hall's alarm system, purchase of security lighting and

the reinstallation of an external alarm sounder. The award has improved the appearance of the hall as well as making the hall more secure.

3.4 Johnstone Explorer Scout Unit

3.4.1 The Explorer Scout Unit was awarded £2,500 towards a total cost of £3,296 for a skills week based at Lochgoilhead. The award helped meet the accommodation catering and activity costs for 15 young people. Scouts from Elderslie and Johnstone were able to attain their yachting and paddle sports activity badges and gain skills that could benefit the wider community.

3.5 West Johnstone Digital Photography Workshop

3.5.1 The group was awarded a total of £770 towards the cost of engaging a tutor and the purchase of display boards. As a result of engaging a tutor group numbers have increased and applications are being made to community venues to display photographs.

3.6 Food Train

3.6.1 This LAC contributed £1,000 towards a total LAC award of £9,000 towards the cost of purchasing a new delivery van. The purchase of the van has allowed the organisation to expand its food shopping and delivery to more older people in Renfrewshire. Providing a shopping delivery service to older people who may be unable to do their own shopping helps keep these individuals more independent and able to remain in their own homes for longer. The service also provides quality volunteering opportunities for over 40 Renfrewshire residents.

3.7 Phoenix Flyers Dog Agility Club

3.7.1 A LAC grant allowed this group to purchase various pieces of dog agility training equipment which have been utilised at various community events in Renfrewshire. With National Certificates in Dog Training, the instructors not only mentor dog owners in agility training but also obedience, animal welfare and etiquette.

3.8 All grant recipients are instructed to submit award feedback once their awards have been spent and further reports on the outcome of projects will be submitted to future meetings of this LAC.

Implications of this report

1. Financial Implications

None.

2. HR and Organisational Development Implications

None.

3. Community Plan/Council Plan Implications

Children and Young People

- The provision of grants to local groups supports individuals and groups to develop skills to improve personal achievements.

Community Care, Health and Well-being	- The provision of grants to local groups and individuals to support social, cultural and recreational activities contributes to improved health and well-being.
Empowering our Communities	- The provision of grants to local groups and individuals contributes to the development of local communities.
Greener	- The provision of grants to local groups and individuals support social, cultural and recreational activities contributes to local sustainability.

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

- (a) 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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To: Johnstone & the Villages Local Area Committee

On: 25 August 2016

Report by: Director of Finance & Resources

Heading: Budget Monitoring Report

1. Summary

- 1.1 Local Area Committees (LACs) provide funding through a range of grants in terms of the General Grant Scheme, Youth Challenge Scheme and, where appropriate, the Paisley or Renfrew Common Good Funds.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the report be noted.
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Implications of this report

1. Financial Implications

None.

2. HR and Organisational Development Implications

None.

3. Community Plan/Council Plan Implications

Children and Young
People

- The provision of grants to local youth groups supports groups to develop skills to improve personal achievements.

Community Care, Health and Well-being	- The provision of grants to support social, cultural and recreational activities contributes to improved health and well-being.
Empowering our Communities	- The provision of grants to local groups contributes to the development of local communities.
Greener	- The provision of grants to local groups support social, cultural and recreational activities contributes to local sustainability.
Safer and Stronger	- The provision of grants to local groups can help promote community cohesion and support for vulnerable groups.

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

- (a) 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 it is for noting only. 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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Budget Monitoring Report

Period ending 31st August

	Funds Available £	Funds Committed £	Balance to be Committed £
<u>General Grant Fund</u>	55,940.00		
Gala Fund			
Kilbarchan Lilies Day		1,000	
Lochwinnoch		1,000	
Howwood (Howwood Community Council)		1,000	
Johnstone		1,000	
Elderslie		1,000	
1st Elderslie Brownies		2,000	
Calder Drama Club		700.00	
Elderslie CC		1,000.00	
Elderslie Wallace Bowling Club		1,000.00	
Evangelical Believers in Church International		500.00	
Friends of Shanks Park		5,000.00	
Friends of Shanks Park		cont	
Howwood CC		gala	
Johnstone Band		2,000.00	
Johnstone Community Sports Complex		7,500.00	
Johnstone Phoenix Theatre Group		7,500.00	
Johnstone Seniors Forum		900.00	
Lochwinnoch Arts Festival		4,300.00	
Lochwinnoch Chattebox		1,500.00	
Lochwinnoch Xmas Lights		1,000.00	
Lochwinnoch Country Dance Club		450.00	
Lochwinnoch Gala Day		gala	
Lochwinnoch New Years Day Dance		480.00	
Lochwinnoch SWI		300.00	
West Lowland Bn Army Cadet Force		1,995.00	
Breastfeeding Network		500.00	
Cornerstone Drop-in		375.00	
Forever Young		300.00	
Greensyde Carers		100.00	
RAMH		400.00	
Rays of Hope		500.00	
Renfrewshire Deaf Group		600.00	
RVIF		300.00	
Shopmobility		494.00	
St James Orchestra		cont	
The Boys Brigade Paisley & District		700.00	
The Wynd Centre		500.00	
Active Communities		3,000.00	
The Wynd Centre		500.00	
Johnstone Town Centre Business Consortium		1,300.00	
Fund Total	55,940.00	52,694.00	3,246.00
<u>Youth Challenge Fund</u>			

<u>CYCLE ONE</u>	25,260.00		
<u>carry forward 2015-16 YCF</u>	302.26		
Street Stuff		5,000.00	
1st-3rd Johnstone Scouts (all 3 apps)		10,000.00	
Brewery Street Kids Club		3,000.00	
Basketball Paisley		500.00	
Feis Phaislig		500.00	
Renfrewshire Sports Network		cont	
Renfrewshire Youth Voice		820.00	
Fitting In		500.00	
Johnstone Pipe Band		5,000.00	
	25,562.26	25,320.00	242.26
Fund Total			
	81,502.26	78,014.00	3,488.26



To: Johnstone & the Villages Local Area Committee

On: 25 August 2016

Report by: Director of Finance & Resources

Heading: Applications For Local Area Committee Grant Funding

1. Summary

1.1 The attached appendices detail applications received for LAC grant funding.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the applications for Local Area Committee grant funding, as detailed in the appendices attached to this report, be considered.

Implications of this report

1. Financial Implications

None.

2. HR and Organisational Development Implications

None.

3. Community Plan/Council Plan Implications

Children and Young
People

- The provision of grants to local groups supports individuals and groups to develop skills to improve personal achievements.

Community Care, Health and Well-being	- The provision of grants to local groups and individuals to support social, cultural and recreational activities contributes to improved health and well-being.
Empowering our Communities	- The provision of grants to local groups and individuals contributes to the development of local communities.
Greener	- The provision of grants to local groups and individuals support social, cultural and recreational activities contributes to local sustainability.

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

- (a) 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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Name of Organisation	Amount Requested	Number of Members/ users	Purpose of Grant	LACs applied to	Comments
CONTINUED JOHNSTONE & THE VILLAGES SINGLE AREA LAC APPLICATIONS					
Friends of Shanks Park	£10,000	12 volunteers and 4 members	Play/exercise equipment for Thomas Shanks Park	Johnstone & the Villages	
CONTINUED JOHNSTONE & THE VILLAGES LAC MULTI AREA APPLICATIONS					
Lamont Farm	£10,000		Running costs	All five LACs	£2,000 per LAC
Renfrewshire Sports Network	£12,000	300	Implementation of Renfrewshire's new sports strategy.	All five LACs	Youth Challenge Fund application £2,400 per LAC
St James' Orchestra	£1,700	50 members and 9 volunteers	Rehearsal accommodation costs	All five LACs	£340 per LAC
NEW JOHNSTONE & THE VILLAGES LAC MULTI AREA APPLICATIONS					
Renfrewshire Women's Aid	£4765.75		Assistance towards running costs of refuge flats	All five LACs	

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Reference		1177	
Name of Organisation/Group	1.11	Friends of Shanks Park	
How many members?	1.11	Full Time	0
		Part Time	0
		Volunteer	12
		Member	4
Address/based	1.3	9e Dee Place 0 Johnstone PA5 0NX	
What does your Organisation/Group do?	1.10	To provide a voice to the community of Johnstone and work together with other organisations to make our main public park a place for the community to be proud of. Serve the community within the area of Thomas Shanks Public Park. We aim to promote an interest, appreciation and wider use the Johnstone town main Public Park.	
If your group covers more than one Local Area Committee (LAC) area, and you are applying to more than one LAC, please tell us which LACs you are applying to	1.13	Geographical Area: Johnstone & The Villages 0 LAC Applying to:	
How much grant funding are you seeking?	2.10	60000	
What will this grant be used for? Please provide a breakdown of the costs to be incurred. (Please use a separate sheet if required)	2.3 2.9	<p>This project is about bringing in brand new outdoor play equipment for children and young people living in the Johnstone area. It shall include requested equipment for complex needs. The equipment will be placed in Shanks Park, which can be accessed at all times by families and or children and young people, including any disabilities. This will increase the number of people using Shanks Park as a community venue for family activities.</p> <p>At present the outdoor equipment in Shanks Park is totally unusable. We have had children and young people and their parents mention at events we have held in the Park about the lack of decent, safe and updated play equipment. We have also been asked by families with children who have access issues, how they would go about accessing funding so that they can get equipment for their children. We have also held very informal discussions with our members and young people on equipment choices.</p> <p>The project will locate different types of outdoor equipment in Shanks Park. This equipment will be accessible to all, and at all times. It will increase the number of children getting out and being active. This will over time improve their health and well-being. But it will also give them a sense of community ownership and responsibility, as they see the equipment they picked and asked money for going up in their local area. Shanks Park will once again become the focal point for activities. Children and young people more able to access outdoor play equipment. Play equipment being more inclusive and responding to the needs of children with mobility</p>	

		issues. An increase in the number of families coming along to and using Shanks Park.		
What is your group's current bank balance?	1.14	250		
Are there any significant items of expenditure to be set against this bank balance?	1.14	Yes Public Liability Insurance		
Have you applied for funding from any other sources? (This includes other Council grant sources as well as external grant providers such as Lottery funding)	2.12	Source of Funding	Secured/Not Secured	Timescale for Decision if not Secured
		0	0	0
Please briefly explain the benefit for the Local Area Committee Area if you are awarded this grant	2.6	Children and young people more able to access outdoor play equipment. Play equipment being more inclusive and responding to the needs of children with mobility issues. An increase in the number of families coming along to and using Shanks Park.		
Previous local grant award history – previous 24 months (for office use only)	2.13	0	0	0
		0	0	0
		0	0	0
Any Additional Information/ Documents Provided with Grant Application	3.00	0		
Appendix 4 Submitted (Out of School Care Providers Only)		0		
Lead Officer Recommendation (for office use only)				

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Reference		1224	
Name of Organisation/Group	1.11	Lamont Farm Project	
How many members?	1.11	Full Time	0
		Part Time	0
		Volunteer	30
		Member	40
Address/based	1.3	Barrhill Road 0 Erskine PA8 6BX	
What does your Organisation/Group do?	1.10	To enhance the education of the inhabitants of both the Renfrewshire area and further afield in animal care and husbandry, agriculture, horticulture, animal welfare and other ancillary projects. To improve the conditions of life of people in the local area by providing areas for recreation, social welfare and inclusion.	
If your group covers more than one Local Area Committee (LAC) area, and you are applying to more than one LAC, please tell us which LACs you are applying to	1.13	<p>Geographical Area: Renfrewshire Wide Renfrew and Gallowhill, Paisley North, Paisley South, Johnstone and the Villages, Houston, Crosslee, Linwood, Riverside and Erskine</p> <p>LAC Applying to:</p>	
How much grant funding are you seeking?	2.10	10000	
What will this grant be used for? Please provide a breakdown of the costs to be incurred. (Please use a separate sheet if required)	2.3 2.9	<p>To enhance the knowledge and experience of adults and children living in Renfrewshire in the areas of animal care and husbandry, and animal welfare. To provide a safe learning environment for children and adults alike to learn about all aspects of animal care. To allow people from the surrounding area to gain a hands-on experience with a variety of animal types, and to provide work experience placements to any students or pupils from local schools and colleges who are interested in animal care.</p> <p>The need was identified in 1977 when the farm was established as there was no project like this within the local area. It has been continually developed since then, with the number of animals increasing as well as the number of animal types. The range of animals has been expanded to include a large variety of animals and is often changing to ensure that there is always something new to show and teach the visitors. There are workshops run throughout the year to enhance the learning experience.</p> <p>It will increase the number of placements available to those wishing to follow a career in animals care. It will provide a place for children from all areas including areas of deprivation to gain a hands on experience with animals large and small. This will be achieved by working closely with educational establishments within the area to provide work experience placements, and by running workshops for children throughout the year at a minimal</p>	

		charge. An increase in the number of adults children visiting to enjoy the animal experience. An increase in the awareness of careers available in animal care, and an increase in the chances of young people being accepted into college and university courses after successful work experience placements.		
What is your group's current bank balance?	1.14	500		
Are there any significant items of expenditure to be set against this bank balance?	1.14	Yes Feed bill		
Have you applied for funding from any other sources? (This includes other Council grant sources as well as external grant providers such as Lottery funding)	2.12	Source of Funding	Secured/Not Secured	Timescale for Decision if not Secured
		other external funding, donations and fundraising other external funding, donations and fundraising other external funding, donations and fundraising	Not Secured Not Secured Not Secured Not Secured	3 months 6 months ongoing ongoing
Please briefly explain the benefit for the Local Area Committee Area if you are awarded this grant	2.6	An increase in the number of adults children visiting to enjoy the animal experience. An increase in the awareness of careers available in animal care, and an increase in the chances of young people being accepted into college and university courses after successful work experience placements.		
Previous local grant award history – previous 24 months (for office use only)	2.13	Cat C LAC	4000 10000	Animal feed and project running costs
		Cat C LAC	0	Animal feed and project running costs
		Cat C LAC	0	Animal feed and project running costs
Any Additional Information/ Documents Provided with Grant Application	3.00	0		

Appendix 4 Submitted (Out of School Care Providers Only)		0
Lead Officer Recommendation (<i>for office use only</i>)		

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Reference		1116	
Name of Organisation/Group	1.11	Renfrewshire Sports Network (RSN)	
How many members?	1.11	Full Time	0
		Part Time	0
		Volunteer	12
		Member	300
What does your Organisation/Group do?	1.10	<p>RSN is Renfrewshire's Sports Council and provides Sports Clubs and physical Activity Groups with a strategic partnership working with Renfrewshire Council and Renfrewshire Leisure</p> <p>Aims: Support and compliment Renfrewshire's New Sports Strategy, Contribute to and be informed of key policies and decisions. Support Sports Clubs, reflecting their ideas, needs and concerns, Support talented athletes with free access to leisure facilities and grants Support Community Sport HUBs</p>	
If your group covers more than one Local Area Committee (LAC) area, and you are applying to more than one LAC, please tell us which LACs you are applying to	1.13	<p>Geographical Area: Renfrewshire Wide</p> <p>Renfrew and Gallowhill, Paisley North, Paisley South, Johnstone and the Villages, Houston, Crosslee, Linwood, Riverside and Erskine</p> <p>LAC Applying to:</p>	
How much grant funding are you seeking?	2.10	12000	
What will this grant be used for? Please provide a breakdown of the costs to be incurred. (Please use a separate sheet if required)	2.3 2.9	<p>Implementation of Renfrewshire's New Sports Strategy</p> <p>Key areas: 1.Sport in the Community - Support the development of sports opportunities in the community, 2. Elite Athlete and Performance Sport - Work with partners and National Governing Bodies to develop performance sport, 3. People - Increase the opportunities and support available to deliver high quality sporting experiences, 4. Profile & Communications - Attract sporting events, promote opportunities and raise the profile of sport</p> <p>Renfrewshire's Vision for Sport has been identified by working together with partners from Renfrewshire Council / RL / RSN / partners from the sporting community, and aims to benefit both present and future generation of youngsters. The Vision for Sport develops the priorities and outcomes that will encourage increased participation in sport and make sport a way of life. With the implementation of the sports strategy we look forward to seeing more people, more active, more often. As a strategic partner we are required to implement our agreed actions, detailed in the Sport Strategy - "Making sport a way of life in Renfrewshire by 2024"</p> <p>The Action Plan has been formally signed off by the</p>	

		<p>Partnership Steering & Working Groups for implementation during 2016.</p> <p>The Sports Network require funding to implement our allocated remits and targets. The numbers in the funding request are taken from the agreed Implementation Plan.</p> <p>These have been clearly identified, agreed and include:</p> <p>School Sport: Better links / focus on sport / links to community, Sport in the Community: Pathways / opportunity / sport clubs, Elite Athlete & Performance Sport: Support / inspire / access, Healthy Communities: Healthy lifestyle / reduce health inequalities, Facilities: Affordable & fit for purpose, People: Develop coaches / officials / volunteers / skills / motivate, Partnership - Strategy / priority outcomes</p>		
What is your group's current bank balance?	1.14	1195		
Are there any significant items of expenditure to be set against this bank balance?	1.14	<p>Yes</p> <p>Award evening on 22nd March 2016 for talented youngsters</p>		
Have you applied for funding from any other sources? (This includes other Council grant sources as well as external grant providers such as Lottery funding)	2.12	Source of Funding	Secured/Not Secured	Timescale for Decision if not Secured
		0	0	0
Please briefly explain the benefit for the Local Area Committee Area if you are awarded this grant	2.6	<p>These have been clearly identified, agreed and include:</p> <p>School Sport: Better links / focus on sport / links to community, Sport in the Community: Pathways / opportunity / sport clubs, Elite Athlete & Performance Sport: Support / inspire / access, Healthy Communities: Healthy lifestyle / reduce health inequalities, Facilities: Affordable & fit for purpose, People: Develop coaches / officials / volunteers / skills / motivate, Partnership - Strategy / priority outcomes</p>		
Previous local grant award history – previous 24 months (for office use only)	2.13	Leisure Grant	7000	Club & Talented Athlete Development
		Leisure Grant	6600	Club & Talented Athlete Development
		Leisure Grant	6600	Club & Talented Athlete Development
Any Additional Information/ Documents Provided with Grant Application	3.00	0		
Appendix 4 Submitted (Out of School Care Providers Only)		0		
Lead Officer Recommendation (for office use only)				

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Reference		1176	
Name of Organisation/Group	1.11	St James Orchestra	
How many members?	1.11	Full Time	0
		Part Time	1
		Volunteer	9
		Member	50
What does your Organisation/Group do?	1.10	The aims of the organisation are to study and practise orchestral music in order to foster public performance.	
If your group covers more than one Local Area Committee (LAC) area, and you are applying to more than one LAC, please tell us which LACs you are applying to	1.13	Geographical Area: Renfrewshire & Other Areas 0 LAC Applying to:	
How much grant funding are you seeking?	2.10	1700	
What will this grant be used for? Please provide a breakdown of the costs to be incurred. (Please use a separate sheet if required)	2.3 2.9	<p>The grant is to help pay for essential rehearsal and performance accommodation. This is a major expense to the orchestra, one that has grown considerably in recent years.</p> <p>The orchestra is the only symphony orchestra meeting for study and performance within Renfrewshire. It allows former students from the Renfrewshire Council Instrumental services to continue playing orchestral music. We are the only adult organisation regularly performing orchestral works in Renfrewshire. We usually give two concerts a year. In the current year we are moving out of Paisley to give a concert in Johnstone Town Hall and will assess the success of this move.</p> <p>It will allow people from Renfrewshire to study and perform the orchestral repertoire. It will allow the citizens of Renfrewshire to hear the music performed in Renfrewshire.</p> <p>The anticipated outcomes are that the people of Renfrewshire will have the opportunity to participate in and hear the orchestral repertoire in Renfrewshire. They will have the opportunity to hear the repertoire of the symphony orchestra in their own council area. It will raise the profile of Orchestral Music and give the opportunity for musicians to continue to participate in this type of music.</p>	
What is your group's current bank balance?	1.14	7731.010000000002	
Are there any significant items of expenditure to be set against this bank balance?	1.14	No 0	

Have you applied for funding from any other sources? (This includes other Council grant sources as well as external grant providers such as Lottery funding)	2.12	Source of Funding	Secured/Not Secured	Timescale for Decision if not Secured
		Subscriptions Ticket Sales Subscriptions	Not Secured Not Secured	0
Please briefly explain the benefit for the Local Area Committee Area if you are awarded this grant	2.6	The anticipated outcomes are that the people of Renfrewshire will have the opportunity to participate in and hear the orchestral repertoire in Renfrewshire. They will have the opportunity to hear the repertoire of the symphony orchestra in there own council area. It will raise the profile of Orchestral Music and give the opportunity for musicians to continue to participate in this type of music.		
Previous local grant award history – previous 24 months (for office use only)	2.13	LAC General Fund	920	Accommodation
		LAC General Fund	1200	Accommodation
		LAC General Fund	1716	Accommodation
Any Additional Information/ Documents Provided with Grant Application	3.00	0		
Appendix 4 Submitted (Out of School Care Providers Only)		0		
Lead Officer Recommendation (for office use only)				

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Reference		1247	
Name of Organisation/Group	1.11	Renfrewshire Women's Aid	
How many members?	1.11	Full Time	7
		Part Time	2
		Volunteer	0
		Member	0
Address/based	1.3	Violet House 3 Violet Street Paisley PA1 1PA	
What does your Organisation/Group do?	1.10	To offer a wide range of services that meet the needs of women, children and young people experiencing domestic abuse. Renfrewshire Women's Aid provides safe, secure accommodation for families who will live in our flat accommodations these flats can provide family space for teenagers within the family, as our refuge accommodations is not suitable for boys over sixteen. This feeling of security for families with teenagers is a way forward out of living in a domestic abuse situation.	
If your group covers more than one Local Area Committee (LAC) area, and you are applying to more than one LAC, please tell us which LACs you are applying to	1.13	Geographical Area: Renfrewshire Wide 0 LAC Applying to:	
How much grant funding are you seeking?	2.10	4765.76	
What will this grant be used for? Please provide a breakdown of the costs to be incurred. (Please use a separate sheet if required)	2.3 2.9	<p>The grant will be used towards the running costs of family flats - Renfrewshire Women's Aid have 5 flat accommodations RWA have nineteen accommodations fourteen are refuge flats which are exempt from paying C/Tax. WA feel that women, children and young people living in our accommodations should be treated equally - families fleeing domestic abuse come to WA for the same reasons and should not be financially under pressure whilst living in WA this has been part of their abusive life before coming to WA - Renfrewshire Women's Aid have not been funded to cover these costs to C/Tax. It would greatly effect our budget to support women and children pay this C/Tax.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">0 0</p> <p>We anticipate women will not be put under a tremendous strain financially whilst living in WA. They will be supported first and for most on addressing domestic abuse issues and the impact on families - council tax will be something they will be addressing while we talk about their finances for moving forward.</p>	
What is your group's current bank balance?	1.14	0	

Are there any significant items of expenditure to be set against this bank balance?	1.14	0		
		0		
Have you applied for funding from any other sources? (This includes other Council grant sources as well as external grant providers such as Lottery funding)	2.12	Source of Funding	Secured/Not Secured	Timescale for Decision if not Secured
		0	0	0
Please briefly explain the benefit for the Local Area Committee Area if you are awarded this grant	2.6	We anticipate women will not be put under a tremendous strain financially whilst living in WA. They will be supported first and for most on addressing domestic abuse issues and the impact on families - council tax will be something they will be addressing while we talk about their finances for moving forward.		
Previous local grant award history – previous 24 months (for office use only)	2.13	0	0	0
		0	0	0
		0	0	0
Any Additional Information/ Documents Provided with Grant Application	3.00	0		
Appendix 4 Submitted (Out of School Care Providers Only)		0		
Lead Officer Recommendation (for office use only)				