

**To: Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership**

**On: 12 September 2023**

**Report by:**  
Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Council

**TITLE:**  
**Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report**

**1. Summary**

- 1.1 Paisley North, West and Central 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, the Youth Challenge Fund.
- 1.2 A table setting out the funds allocated by Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership in 2023/24 and current budget position is attached as an appendix to this report.

**2. Recommendation**

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

## Appendix 1

### Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report 2023/24

|                             |   |
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| <b>General Grant Fund</b>   | <b>£45,322.00 (net of Members expenses)</b> |
| <b>Common Good Fund</b>     | <b>£10,900.00</b>                           |
| <b>Total Funding Awards</b> | <b>£56,221.97</b>                           |
| <b>Available</b>            | <b>£ 0.03</b>                               |

| Grant Ref | Organisation                                       | Awarded   | Paid      | Still to be paid |
|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|------------------|
| FR1039    | Outspoken Arts Scotland Limited                    | £3,383.23 | £3,383.23 | £0.00            |
| FR1040    | Forever Young                                      | £1,014.97 | £1,014.97 | £0.00            |
| FR1041    | REEM (Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities)   | £1,938.59 | £1938.59  | £0.00            |
| FR1043    | Brick Lane Music Academy CIC                       | £3,383.23 | £3,383.23 | £0.00            |
| FR1044    | Own Yer Bike                                       | £3,383.23 | £3,383.23 | £0.00            |
| FR1045    | REEM (Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities)   | £1,691.62 | £1,691.62 | £0.00            |
| FR1051    | The Renfrewshire Toy Bank                          | £1,800.00 | £1,800.00 | £0.00            |
| FR1055    | Renfrewshire Walking Network                       | £570.00   | £570.00   | £0.00            |
| FR1061    | Paisley Pirates IHC                                | £1,000.00 | £1,000.00 | £0.00            |
| FR1063    | Paisley sea cadets/Brediland hall                  | £760.00   | £760.00   | £0.00            |
| FR1064    | Fèis Phàislig                                      | £3,383.23 | £3,383.23 | £0.00            |
| FR1070    | Paisley Barbell Powerlifting Club                  | £1,000.00 | £1,000.00 | £0.00            |
| FR1072    | Early Years Scotland                               | £3,383.23 | £3,383.23 | £0.00            |
| FR1074    | SSAFA's Glasgow's Helping Heroes                   | £3,383.23 | £3,383.23 | £0.00            |
| FR1079    | Renfrewshire Environmental Trust                   | £1,353.29 | £1,353.29 | £0.00            |
| FR1094    | Gallowhill Senior Citizens Indoor Bowling Club     | £1,500.00 | £1,500.00 | £0.00            |
| FR1096    | STAR Project                                       | £5,000.00 | £5,000.00 | £0.00            |
| FR1100    | Rainbow Turtle                                     | £2,029.94 | £2,029.94 | £0.00            |
| FR1107    | Jones & Us CiC                                     | £1,763.34 | £0.00     | £1,763.34        |
| FR1110    | School of African Cultures                         | £2,835.15 | £2,835.15 | £0.00            |
| FR1121    | Renfrewshire Stroke & Disability Art Therapy Group | £750.00   | £750.00   | £0.00            |
| FR1135    | Renfrewshire Rainbow Buddies                       | £2,706.59 | £2,706.59 | £0.00            |
| FR1136    | right2dance  | £3,031.38 | £3,031.38 | £0.00            |
| FR1148    | Shopmobility Paisley and District                  | £2,044.15 | £2,044.15 | £0.00            |
| FR1153    | Renfrewshire Access Panel                          | £1,733.57 | £0.00     | £1,733.57        |
| FR1159    | Gallowhill Bowling Club                            | £1,400.00 | £1,400.00 | £0.00            |

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| <b>Celebrating Renfrewshire Fund</b>      |                   |
| <b>Total funding available in 2023/24</b> | <b>£21,133.00</b> |
| <b>Total funding awarded in 2023/24</b>   | <b>£21,133.00</b> |
| <b>Available funding</b>                  | <b>£0.00</b>      |

| Grant Ref | Organisation                      | Awarded   | Paid      | Still to be paid |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------|
| CE1028    | Loud n Proud                      | £3,500.00 | £3,500.00 | £0.00            |
| CE1029    | Outspoken Arts Scotland Limited   | £3,500.00 | £3,500.00 | £0.00            |
| CE1031    | Paisley Barbell Powerlifting Club | £3,500.00 | £3,500.00 | £0.00            |
| CE1035    | Pals of the Privies (SCIO)        | £3,500.00 | £3,500.00 | £0.00            |
| CE1044    | right2dance                       | £3,500.00 | £3,500.00 | £0.00            |
| CE1056    | Twist and Hit Cheerleaders        | £3,500.00 | £3,500.00 | £0.00            |
| CE1007    | Bungalow Enterprises CIC          | £133.00   | £133.00   | £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     |
|--------|--------------------------------------|--|-----------|
| FR1089 | Shopmobility Paisley & District      | Partnership Working with Inchinnan Development Trust and Paisley Darkside Historical Walking Tours | £645.00   |
| FR1042 | Paisley Pirates IHC                  | Provision of Ice   | £1,000.00 |
| FR1043 | Twist & Hit Cheerleaders             | ASN Communities - Welcome to the future  | £1,943.33 |
| FR1046 | REEM                                 | Drop-in Centre   | £3,365.00 |
| FR1054 | C-Change Scotland                    | Dates n Mates  | £2,024.30 |
| FR1062 | Renfrewshire Toy Bank                | Renfrewshire Toy Bank  | £1,428.00 |
| FR1065 | Renfrewshire Environmental Trust     | Spuds for Buddies (Phase 5)  | £2,000.00 |
| FR1068 | Fablevision Studios                  | Bridging Digital   | £2,024.30 |
| FR1071 | Rainbow Turtle                       | Fair Trade Education & Promotion   | £809.72   |
| FR1072 | Oakshaw Trinity Church Friendly Hour | Oakshaw Trinity Church Friendly Hour   | £500.00   |

## Feedback received since May 23 meeting.

### Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Paisley Darkside Historical Walking Tours

### Section 2

2.1 Project Name Moving forward

2.2 Total Amount Received £1500

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

To move Darkside forward and to engage the community with a more interactive tours and events.

My apologies if this is wrong but our secretary is no longer with us and has not handed over our minute books and sent mails.

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

We wanted to get more people out and about in Paisley and developed more ways of doing this. Providing free tours and talks and interacting with more organisations.

### Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

Probably around a 100 people have benefited so far. Taking them out of the house and getting to meet others in a social inclusion atmosphere. As all the money was not spent due to my own health issues, we have not applied this year but intent to use the balance to provide free tours and talks to any groups involved in summer programmes.

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

Hopefully we were able get people out and about. And increase their wellbeing and make a difference by tackling social isolation.

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### Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Lamont Farm Project

### Section 2

2.1 Project Name Lamont Farm Project

2.2 Total Amount Received £2900

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

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

Core Running Costs – used on resources to keep the farm running to be able to deliver the educational projects that we run

### Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

Thousands – we do not monitor who comes from specific areas

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

Throughout the past year we hosted many schools and nursery groups from the Renfrewshire area, ran workshops for children during the holidays, hosted work experience placements, integrated new children into our junior volunteering programme and entertained visitors from the area of all ages on a daily basis

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### Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Bungalow Enterprises CIC

### Section 2

2.1 Project Name Older Adults Music Club

2.2 Total Amount Received £2874.58

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

The aim of our project was to reduce isolation and kick-start an Older Adult Music Club. It was an opportunity for older adults to meet people, socialize and laugh whilst investing in their physical and mental health through this wellbeing project.

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

The grant paid for a sound engineer and an entertainment host who delivered a quiz, introduced a weekly act and organized a jam session. There was tea/coffee and a buffet each week.

### Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

A regular group of 20 on average attended every week for 10 weeks giving a total of 200 over the period of the project.

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

The project introduced people to a new place to go and meet new friends. The feedback from those who attended

- Got them out of the house.
  - Walking to the Bungalow helped their general fitness and well-being.
  - It was the first day out they had had for a long time.
  - Some got up on stage and sang or played an instrument for the first time in a long time which made them feel that they had achieved something.
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## Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Paisley Barbell

## Section 2

2.1 Project Name Paisley Barbell Community Project

2.2 Amount Received £1000

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

- Tackling isolation & loneliness
- Health & wellbeing
- Environment & parks
- Roads & transport
- Moving around & connectivity
- Community & road safety
- Community facilities & public assets
- Community identity & civic pride
- Young people and/or intergenerational work
- Renfrew town centre & play facilities

2.4 What did you want to do with the money?

The purpose of the grant was to allow us to purchase equipment to allow us to increase the capacity at our free learn to lift workshops and 1st time competitions. We were also able to increase the capacity of the volunteers within the club by allowing members to participate in coaching courses. Again these members were used to support the delivery of the above events.

2.5 What did you spend it on?

Equipment

Coaching Courses

## Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

In total the workshops and competitions were accessed by 150 people

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

The anticipated outcomes were to provide opportunities for all but especially female and youth lifters to enjoy strength training in an inclusive supportive environment with the correct guidance and supervision. This was achieved

This allowed them to increase self-esteem and confidence as well as developing their social, mental, and emotional wellbeing. The above would increase the number of active participants within the local area supporting the priority of a healthy and active Renfrewshire

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## Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name: ReMode Renfrewshire CIC

## Section 2

2.1 Project Name Sewing Machine Volunteer grant

2.2 Amount Received £950

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

- Environment & parks
- Young people and/or intergenerational work

2.4 What did you want to do with the money?

Servicing & maintenance of sewing machines.

2.5 What did you spend it on

Servicing & maintenance of sewing machines.

## Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

Our sewing machines are used most regularly by our team of volunteers - over the past twelve months we have had 51 active volunteers using our machines during our weekly sewing sessions. On top of this, our machines are used for our programme of workshops open to the local community, most of which are focussed on young people aged 13-25. The number of attendees from these workshops over the past year is 12 In the past year we have also run several workshops in partnership with local organisations Pachedu, Who Cares? Renfrewshire Council, and CREATE Paisley. The number of participants who benefitted from these workshops is 26 The total number of people who have accessed our sewing machines and benefitted from the project is 82.

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

By keeping our sewing machines in good working condition, we were able to ensure all of our volunteer sewing sessions and workshops could run smoothly, without disruption from a faulty machine malfunctioning. As such, our volunteers were able to build confidence in using a sewing machine, and learn various making and mending techniques that translated into damaged garments being saved from landfill and given new life! Our sewing machines are used on a weekly basis in our creative upcycling sessions, where discarded textiles are transformed into beautiful objects, and our volunteers learn all about sustainable methods for garment construction. Beyond the skill-sharing and creative practical outcomes of our sewing sessions, the volunteer workshops provide a space for mindfulness, socialisation, and important discussions surrounding local action against the climate crisis. Our volunteers range in age from 16 to late 70s, and as such our workshops are an intergenerational

place, where people from all walks of life can connect, with a cup of tea and a sewing machine!

### 3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

Feedback from our volunteers:

"I really value the connections I have made with the ReMode team and other volunteers – I meet such enthusiastic and interesting people, learn about environmental impacts of the clothing industry and get inspiration from that. Plus, I get to develop my sewing and design skills with support from ReMode." - Lorna

"I love learning new tools and techniques [and] skills to use for the sewing machine. I don't own a sewing machine. So [I] go to ReMode Paisley on Wednesday. [It's] great making new friends and trust in the process of learning new skills." - Debbs

When asked what they enjoyed about taking part in ReMode sewing workshops, participants said:

"Being in a creative environment, learning new skills, meeting new people and much more" - Orin

"I've liked being with a bunch of people who all have the same interest as me, I like thinking of new things to do/make and I like meeting new people" - Eve

When asked what they have learned about climate change and what changes they have made themselves since the workshops, participants said:

"I've ditched a lot less clothes, not throwing them away and waiting for someone who wants them. I've fixed my jeans over 6 times." - Noah

"[I've] taken more interest in second-hand clothing" - Eve

"[I've] stopped buying fast fashion" – Abigail

### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

- £566 - sewing machines and overlockers, services plus cost of parts
- £368 - New Janome Sewing Machine
- £16 - Print flyers for our sewing workshops

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## Section 1

### 1.1 Organisation Name

Renfrewshire Witch Hunt 1697

## Section 2

### 2.1 Project Name

Renfrewshire Witch Hunt 1697/Gallow Green Project

### 2.2 Total Amount Received

£2474.58

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

- RWH Outreach – Engage with community. Setting up engaging workshops to breakdown isolation within the community. Through the retelling of this dark history with youth and charity groups, learning about intolerance within society and how it is viewed today through digital and social media.
- Gallow Green Project – To create a greenspace in the westend of Paisley with historical significance. Engaging the local community into the maintenance and use of the Gallow Green.



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

RWH Outreach – we did not receive the financial support we requested so our achievable parameters were severely downgraded.

- Buying new sewing equipment to make new re enactment costumes. Not funded.
- Buying and upcycling fabric etc for costumes. Not funded.
- Outreach workshops (storytelling, awareness raising, seed bomb making,) Bought new display boards and generating new information for boards. Buying supplies for seed bombing. Achieved funding.
- Taking outreach workshops and community engagement throughout Renfrewshire. Not Funded.
- Development of the Gallow Green site as a contemplative garden Engaging with community in maintenance of site – two community litter picks. Achieved.
- Promoting events to publicise the story of the witch hunt and the last known site of the Gallow Green as a historical site – promoting, advertising, sourcing an all weather shelter, buying of safety equipment. Achieved.
- Marketing and promotions (signage for the garden with a QR code telling the story)
- Buying plants and seeds for site and seed bombing – due to the funding being awarded late (Nov'22), we missed the window of opportunity to plant in the autumn. -we bought various indigenous wildflower seeds, for events, saplings for site.

## Section 3 – Impact

### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

- We requested funding from all LAP areas.
- Gallow Green project request from Paisley West and Paisley East – through onsite events and walks we estimate a reach of 350+
- RWH Outreach requested funding from all areas (apart from above Paisley areas,) but only Gleniffer supported funding – through onsite events at Gallow Green site, walks, Girlguiding #Renfriends events, talks at SWI, talks with 'Witches of Scotland' at 'Aye write' festival, increase our social media presence - we estimate a reach of 450+ within Renfrewshire, 421+ nationally.

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

- Local people learning about the story of Christian Shaw raising awareness of the injustices of 17th Century witch hunt.
- Girls aged of all ages learned of an important piece of local history and the importance of fighting against intolerance, intolerance and bullying.
- Girls of all ages making seed bombs and planting them in the garden as well as taking them home for their own outdoor spaces.
- Long term unemployed/people with long term conditions learning new skills in Augmented Reality, filming and editing for the QR code plaque in the garden.

- Local people attending events x 3, participating in walks, storytelling and music
- Local community groups engaging in the storytelling of the history of the witch hunt.

<https://studiofv.co.uk/video-production/>

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1.1 Organisation Name Forever young

## Section 2

2.1 Project Name FR1040 Buddy Food

2.2 Amount Received £2809.72

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

- x Tackling isolation & loneliness.
- x Health & wellbeing

2.4 What did you want to do with the money?

We originally asked for the money to be spent on Buddy Food which was to help with the fuel crisis and bring people together to have a warm space to eat a warm meal together, but we changed the name to “Pop up Café” this was a bit more appealing to tenants.

2.5 What did you spend it on?

Over the winter months we had easy cooking demonstrations for tenants in the 10-council sheltered housing complex lounges. Each week tenants would come together in the warm lounge, and we would cook a variety of different meals where they could take away the recipes and share a warm meal together. Some of the meals were homemade tomato soup using a tin of cheap tomatoes, pasta bolognese, lasagne, and good old mince and potatoes.

## Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

284 tenants got the opportunity to join us but overall, we fed 50% of this around

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

Our project hasn’t benefitted the community yet, but we are hoping to get the recipes made into a booklet to be distributed out and this will be benefitting the wider community as it is how to make meals on a budget for single people living alone or

people looking for ideas on how to make their money go further when cooking for the family.

### 3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

We have some lovely case studies as well as pictures of us delivering the project. See attachments.

### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

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| Cooking instructor | £2150   |
| Food ingredients   | £419.76 |
| Portable cooker    | £287.81 |

#### Case Study - LAP

My Name is Robert, I stay at Gallacher Court West End, Paisley. I live independently within sheltered housing. My sheltered housing officer came to me and encouraged me to go along to let me know about the pop-up café and thought this would be good for me. She knew that at times I was lonely and thought this would be a good activity for me to meet new people and make friends.

My mobility is not good I walk with a walking frame from the first day I went along I had a good experience everyone was so friendly.

I would recommend this to friends it was a great experience and I made new friends. I went along every week, but my favourite night was when we got the full Roast chicken dinner it was delicious. The Staff I give 100% they looked after us so well.

I am sad to see it stop but would support if it restarted.



Glencoats TARA

## **Glencoats Community Events Programme**

Purpose of full Grant £3500 was to allow Glencoats Family Association to purchase Marquee, Generator, Temp Flooring and training for Marquee Installation, and it was required to provide summer games / activities, Christmas Street Party, Entertainment, Santa/Reindeer Christmas event Sundries.

Outcomes Specified:

- Group will have own equipment to be sustainable and enable us to have a local outdoor area to hold meetings and events along with fundraise for future events.
- reduce social isolation, loneliness.
- promote good health and wellbeing and sense of pride.
- local community and participation for all ages young and old

## **Monitoring and Measuring Outcomes**

Several methods and practices will achieve the question above, they include:

- Keep photographic record of events.
- Post events on our social media page along with sharing to local groups.
- Feedback at events from local participants
- We will note feedback from all social media groups.
- We will hold regular group meetings and record outcomes.

## **How we spent the received grant of £1,417.01:**

2 Gala semi commercial popup Tents that can be used individually for smaller events or connected together if required for larger events involving more of our tenants and residents.

## **Evaluation & Outcomes from Grant Funding**

We successfully purchased the tents February after agreement from our committee. This has allowed us to have in our possession an equipment for sustainable use by our group & members. This will empower our members to participate and suggest other outdoor community events without the prospect of these being abandoned due to weather and will be open to a range of age groups in the community for example children's easter, summer and Christmas, along with events such as bingo nights for the adults in the community to reduce social isolation.

Our first planned event utilising the equipment is for an easter get together open to all ages (children, parents relatives) in our community, being able to have shelter means we can setup craft tables for the children, host an easter egg hunt, tea/coffees for parents and friends without being subject to bad weather cancellation. We will plan further events as the year progresses.

We will continue to fundraise locally in order to add to our equipment and the shortfall of receiving 41% of the original grant application, to allow us to further our causes in supporting the local community in line with our groups aims.

We fundraised to host a Christmas Event December 2022 for the local children to ensure the portion of the grant we received was used for equipment for sustainable use in the community. This was evidenced on our social media page and in the local Paisley Daily Express.

We will also work with other groups to further our groups mandate in improving the local environment, involving our tenants and residents in what they want to see. We have grown our membership since forming and continue to grow weekly, we mainly utilise our online Facebook group to promote events and garner volunteers and support from our residents through feedback and direct messages.

We have worked with Ferguslie Community Development Trust, for IT and office support, and Team Up to Clean Up has supported us with equipment we will use springtime onwards. We have supported On Yer Bike with a refreshment stand, and held a previous easter Event in conjunction with Barochan Green Team and will continue to work to improve the local community.

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## CREATE Paisley

### Paisley - Shortroods

- We were initially due to start an after-school drop-in within St James & Mossvale primary school in partnership with the Star Project. Unfortunately, due to staff capacity and other project priorities at Star, this did not happen.
  - June 2023 - Ongoing. In partnership with the Star Project, we are now providing youth work support and creative arts activities for Primary school children living within the Shortroods area. This project has proved to be very successful. This will continue after the summer holidays.
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1.1 Organisation Name OUTSPOKEN ART SCOTLAND LTD

2.1 Project Name Creative Learning workshops

2.2 Amount Received £ 2024.30

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

- Health & wellbeing
- Young people and/or intergenerational work

2.4 What did you want to do with the money?

An autumn programme of FREE Creative Learning workshops to develop the creativity and skills of community participants. To encourage people to be more open minded, inquisitive, to harness imagination, identify & solve problems, & develop creative approaches to learning. To engage people in new social activity that boosts that their mental health and well-being and aids positive engagement with other people. The Workshops will be delivered by professional artists in a dedicated gallery setting in the Paisley Centre.

## 2.5 What did you spend it on?

We spent it on the programme of workshops, artists fees and art materials.

## Impact

### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

720 people participated in the workshops.

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

720 people participated in the workshops. There was a marked increase in wellbeing and creativity in these workshops. People reported to us that they had boosted their morale at a time of difficulty. It was also helpful to families and young people that the activities were free as economic issues or cost would have prevented them taking part.

### 3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

Pictures of Young People taking part in our activities are at this link

[https://www.dropbox.com/sh/arvbhb75pzwdh/AAA-1gn7rKsfLrCFjCCa\\_8yba?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/arvbhb75pzwdh/AAA-1gn7rKsfLrCFjCCa_8yba?dl=0)

### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

(If the Local Partnership grant funded your entire project costs, then the figures in B + C will be the same. The figure you put in should be the actual amounts. These may be different from the estimates in your application form)

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| • 24 artists fees for 4-hour workshops (24 x 152) | £1355.48 |
| • 24 x art materials = 24 x £25                   | £222.94  |
| • Venue hires 24 x £50                            | £445.88  |
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## 1.1 Organisation Name Paisley Peoples Archive

### Section 2

2.1 Project Name "The Back of the Bus Canny Sing"

2.2 Amount Received £2,000

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

- ☐ Tackling isolation & loneliness
- ☐ Health & wellbeing
- ☐ Environment & parks
- ☐ Roads & transport
- ☐ Moving around & connectivity
- ☐ Community & road safety
- ☐ Community facilities & public assets
- ☐ Community identity & civic pride
- ☐ Young people and/or intergenerational work
- ☐ Renfrew town centre & play facilities

2.4 What did you want to do with the money?

The money has been used to conduct interviewees, although we still have a major event planned, for end of June/July.

2.5 What did you spend it on?

We had to purchase a new Zoom recorder for the project, we have held back monies for our "Big Event". This will involve two double decker's driving to Paisley, Parking in the town centre, where further interviews will take place, we may also take members of the public on bus runs in Paisley, for example, route 602 "Foxbar Brediland Rd". Both buses will have between £300 pounds of fuel added on this day. We hope also to invite the Provost of Renfrewshire, to take part in the fun and games.

### Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

We have interviewed several members of the public from across Renfrewshire and hope to invite many more to come to the event in Paisley Town Centre.

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

We have seen members of the public take part, enjoy the experience of sharing their memories.

### 3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

On the event in the town centre, we will be inviting the press, using Facebook and having a drone operator on this day to film. So will be able to supply photographs, press coverage and drone footage.

### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

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|--------------|------|
| New Recorder | £300 |
| Interviews   | £300 |
| Booklet      | £600 |
| Fuel         | £600 |
| Drivers      | £200 |

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1.1 Organisation Name Paisley West Church

#### Section 2

2.1 Project Name Community Outreach

2.2 Total Amount Received £2484.30

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

- Children and Young People
- Education and Learning
- Health and Wellbeing
- Older People
- Tackling Inequalities
- Tackling Isolation and loneliness

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

The money was used to tackle the above priorities. We did this by:

- Organising regular film shows.
- Providing games afternoons.
- Providing musical entertainment afternoons.
- Organising a Christmas Dinner.
- Organising celebrations such as Platinum Jubilee, Christmas.
- Providing a warm and welcoming space for local people to enjoy tea/coffee/biscuits whilst chatting to others and making new friends.
- Organising a bus outing.



## Section 3 – Impact

### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

Paisley North West & Central – 150

Gleniffer - 50

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

The project provided a warm and welcoming space for people in the community. It provided free entertainment and refreshments at all events held in the church all ensuring that no one was excluded due to financial pressures. The events tackled inequalities by ensuring everyone who wished to could access the events. Older people enjoyed warm space to socialise, enjoy company and join in activities which they would not otherwise be able to access due to cost. Events such as the Christmas Dinner were subsidized to allow everyone to take part. The project allowed local people of all ages to meet, make friends, enjoy food and take part in games. All our activities helped those who took part to enjoy fun, food and fellowship which in turn boosts wellbeing and mental health. As no one was excluded due to financial pressures each event was well attended and we regularly welcomed some people to every event.

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1.1 Organisation Name 7th Paisley & District J.N.I. Scout Group

2.1 Project Name Explorer Scouts Duke of Edinburgh Award equipment

2.2 Total Amount Received £809.72

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

- Improve children's health and wellbeing.
- Tackle inequalities within the local community

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

We purchased 6 vango hike tents for use on our Duke of Edinburgh expedition camps, resulting in four silver and nine bronze DOE awards. Our budgeted cost was £2,280 of which the partnership grant of £809.72 was greatly appreciated.

## Section 3 – Impact

### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

- 25 Explorer Scouts used the tents for their expeditions.
- And 40 Scouts also used the equipment as part of their zodiac camping award.
- 65 young people boys and girls have benefitted from this funding.

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

The young people taking part in the camping activities have increase their physical and mental health by taking part in outdoor activity. They have learnt new skills camping, cooking and hiking in the outdoors.

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| 1.1 | Organisation Name | Meikleriggs Cricket Foundation |
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| 2.1 | Project Name | Community Cricket Coaching |
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| 2.2 | Total Amount Received | £3,210 |
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### 2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

- Children and Young People
- Health and Wellbeing

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

Our project saw us undertake a programme of cricket coaching to the local community. The money received was able to fund coaching costs, venue hire and purchase of equipment.

## Section 3 – Impact

### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

Over 100 people benefitted from our project. Access to our project via our school coaching programme, summer, and winter cricket sessions.

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

Our project introduced cricket to people that would not otherwise have participated. I encouraged people to play regularly and maintain their playing thus helping to enhance health and fitness, wellbeing, and mental health.

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| 1.1 | Organisation Name | Mossvale Community Church |
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| 2.1 | Project Name | Sewing2gether All Nations: Caring Creating Connecting |
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| 2.2 | Total Amount Received | £1,609.72 |
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### 2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

Paisley North, West and Central - Community Empowerment.

- Members of the local community will engage with the group, through volunteering, donating and promoting. Refugees within our community will feel welcomed.
- Tackling social isolation to promote health.
- Our activities will promote mental wellbeing through their mindful and stress relieving properties.
- Our travel empowerment programme will train non-English speakers to successfully use public transport to travel to and from Paisley, accessing amenities such as parks and recreational centres.

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

- Run sewing upcycling workshops at our base in Paisley
- Provide machines for home practise
- Develop volunteer & sessional worker roles to meet the needs of participants, welcoming new refugees to Renfrewshire.
- Support in accessing services from other key agencies
- Tackle food, clothing & digital poverty including partnering with Foodbanks and Clothed In Love.
- Facilitate group activities elsewhere e.g. attending other groups, festivals, places of cultural interest and other community activities
- Pursue charitable status for group sustainability

## 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project

Over the year 2022 – 2023 we provided face-to-face services for 250 individuals. Because of the nature of many of our activities (e.g. weekly drop-in language café launched Sep 2022) and sensitivities around service users identities, it is not possible to gather statistics on all participants addresses – e.g. displaced persons living in hotel accommodation.

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

We were able to deliver all of our objectives outlines in sections 2.3 and 2.4. This includes our women's sewing and creative skills workshops, with an average attendance of 30 participants. Two of our younger volunteers achieved Saltire Awards. We obtained charitable status (SCIO) in April 2023. Our LAP funding was used to buy budget sewing machines to allow refugees to practise their sewing at home, a skill for life, and pass the skills and benefits on to their whole family. This was reinforced by our participation in the Climate Fringe Festival 2022, and thanks to our Renfrewshire Community Climate Funding we had in-house Make do & Mend sessions, bringing damaged or poorly fitting clothing to workshops for skills training. A further grant from Stop Climate Chaos Scotland gave us the opportunity to buy equipment to film and edit several quick fix sewing tutorials, again encouraging the repair of clothing that may otherwise be discarded.

We provided free outreach workshops in Williamsburgh Primary school for the parents of their pupils from the refugee community, identified by teachers as being isolated and needing support in integration and learning English.

#### FURTHER EVIDENCE:

Make Do & Mend videos.

How to shorten your jeans (using original hem) [https://youtu.be/t9\\_uJKQIs0](https://youtu.be/t9_uJKQIs0)

How to sew on a button <https://youtu.be/khYHNEjgg2g>

How to sew an invisible hem <https://youtu.be/uW5wq2L58Zg>

Interview with Michelle McManus for BBC Scotland radio 'Our Lives'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0tjOBgyWkg>

Celebrating African Fabrics | Sew a Ruffle Brooch | Black History Month |

Sewing2gether All Nations

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=CtArsRKYRlo](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CtArsRKYRlo)

I Found A Family - People's Friend Feature

"They have created a safe space where I have felt respected, heard, loved and cared for."

<https://www.thepeoplesfriend.co.uk/2023/01/19/sewing2gethers-help-for-refugees>

Creative Lives Scotland Award Winners

<https://www.creative-lives.org/sewing2gether-all-nations>

Photographs can be viewed at <https://www.instagram.com/sewing2getherallnations>.

1.1 Organisation Name

Tots to Teens

2.1 Project Name

Tots to Teens

2.2 Total Amount Received

£2655.00

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

To help parent from the community come together with their children so they can socialise with other parents/children and also help children's social / mental and motor skills.

2.4 What did you do with the money and what did you spend it on?

To provide a safe space for all, upgrade toys for all ages. We have managed to buy toys/ arts & crafts for all suitable ages, highchairs, pay the rent for the hall and provide snack every week for them all.

3.1 How many people benefitted from/access your project?

- 30+ people benefitted from our project.

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

It has helped parents that weren't great at meeting new people come every week with their kids so has helped them with their social/mental skills and provides a safe environment for all.




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| 1.1 | Organisation Name     | Finding Your Feet                                  |
| 2.1 | Project Name          | Improving Social & Physical Wellbeing for Amputees |
| 2.2 | Total Amount Received | £3000  |

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

We identified the following main priorities for our Troopers (Amputees) after Covid and within our local community within Paisley.

- Improved physical wellbeing
- Reduced social isolation
- Improved access to local community services
- Increased opportunities to meet with Peers
- Improved mental wellbeing

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

Unfortunately, there were delays at OneRen in implementing a similar "Glasgow Life" scheme and the person assisting us with the implementation of similar options was unable to secure a swimming instructor and moved onto a different role.

We continued supporting Troopers to attend swimming and Gym around different accessible areas of Glasgow in peer groups. After discussions/consultations with the local Troopers, we identified the need for a shared interest group to meet priorities

outlined and the Troopers chose to start a FYF bowling group in Paisley. The group is local and is growing in size and popularity and with donations and sponsorship supporters we were able to purchase bowling green wheelchairs. Troopers attending have fun mixing with their peers and are building up skills to play other FYF club areas.

We also sourced use of the Renfrewshire Soopir Bus (once volunteers were assessed and trained in how to use the tail lift). This has been a wonderful opportunity and has allowed introduction to other Renfrewshire organisations and hear what is on locally. The bus offers us local access with a significant saving on taxi/transport costs.

We also used the fund to add specialist coaches and support to our “Ampu-Teas” programme to offer additional options for improved physical wellbeing ;- Pilates, Yoga, chair fitness and Falls Prevention fitness sessions. Over the last year we initially went from a social group once a fortnight to one a week and we now offer peer socialisation and interaction 3 times a week with the help of volunteers. Morrisons awarded a fund which enabled us to purchase new furniture and equipment to make our venue seating more Trooper and mobility friendly for activity and group provision.

We have provided a suite of beneficial activities, varied in choice to maximise engagement of Troopers. The programme covers all the priorities we have outlined and remains core to our service delivery planning. We encourage feedback at all times in different methods to maintain our ability to be Trooper led and offer effective management of funds and services. We have now sourced a qualified swimming instructor and are revisiting original plans for 23/24.

## Section 3 – Impact

### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

1. Within our Paisley HUB - We provided fitness opportunities with attendance of 630 Troopers!
2. We successfully engaged 306 Troopers for social /well-being groups/activities at Paisley Amp-Tteas.
3. In addition we have a local bowling group in place with specialist equipment and we have had an attendance of 72 over the past 8 weeks.
4. We purchased an specialist adaptable sliding dartboard from Disability Darts Scotland which can move to the relevant height for playing depending on mobility ( wheelchair/standing/ supported) this is encouraging teams and challenges with other Ampu-Teas club areas.
5. We have also streamed and recorded some sessions with instructors/ therapists which we can use on line for other Troopers further afield to benefit from also. ( Yoga- Pilates- Love Yourself Wildly - Perfect Just As You Are, Flippin Pain)
6. A few groups/activities and achievements:- Ladies Brunch, Men’s MoT health sessions (sponsored), Neuro-linguistic programming (NLP)work shop around anxiety and positivity
  - We identified that the cost of living was a major factor on mental health especially with the addition of energy increases. We responded with ‘Ease of Contact’ path for support from the Well-being team. Visits from Scotland Social

Security and hacks and tips around food and bill budgeting for Troopers and their family. We set up a food pantry and chill and charge facility for Troopers to come relax, charge their technology, watch TV and collect groceries if needed (supplied by Morrisons)

- An introduction of Crafting/Skill workshops on a weekly basis

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

Our support framework provides the opportunity for clear statistics and the need for specific Well-being support is apparent :- 58% of all our Well-being Support plans opened are for the following top 3 reasons :- General Well-being (27%), Mental health (25%) and Housing (6%).

All troopers are different and like different activities and hobbies. By offering a diversity of support for physical/ mental health and well-being, we have increased opportunities and ways to support Troopers on their personal recovery journeys. We are proud as we have met all outcomes outlined and also progressed beyond. The funding has allowed us to steadily increase our engagement numbers, encouraging Troopers to leave their home and socialise, make new friends, feel less isolated, develop new skills and gain extra coping methods. Ultimately having some fun.

"I've been a double above knee amputee for almost 3 years now. In the time since then I have discovered a new found confidence given to me by other amputees through Finding Your Feet. I have attended gym sessions, been fishing again and attended Ampu-teas" – Tony

Mens MOT – "I really enjoyed it, everybody was friendly and direct and all the presentation materials were awesome. It was like a refreshing course of biology, which made me aware of how important the correct diet and regular self-checks are." Peter

Anon, Online yoga - I've been thoroughly enjoying Nicole's yoga classes. Yoga doesn't just benefit my body; it also really helps calm my mind too. After a few weeks missing classes, I immediately felt the difference after her first video.

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| 1.1 Organisation Name | right2dance |
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| 2.1 Project Name | Get Dancing |
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| 2.2 Total Amount Received | £2,024.30 |
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### 2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

Through our project we hoped to meet two main priorities for the Paisley North West and Central Partnership, these were:

- Community Empowerment
- Tackling social inclusion to promote health

We have supported children to interact together within their community by taking part in dance classes. The dance classes have encouraged children to socialise and connect with others in the community and make new friends. Also, through the

participation in dance, children have the opportunity to improve their physical health and mental wellbeing. The project was delivered free of charge to enable equal access for all and to ensure cost was not a barrier to participation.

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

We requested funding to deliver a programme of dance workshops within schools and nurseries in the West End of Paisley, for nursery, P1 and P2 pupils. We also required funding towards some resources, promotion, and project co-ordination. We have spent money as we anticipated on the items outlined above. Due to some delays during our project, we still have some sessions to deliver, and they will be delivered during the next month.

## Section 3 – Impact

### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

To date, approximately 140 children, aged 3-7 years have participated in our project. This number will increase when we deliver the last set of workshops.

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

Our project has created a new opportunity for children to participate in dance classes within their school or nursery and has enabled them to interact and work creatively together. Children have had fun participating in the sessions and have been able to participate in an activity that is positive for their health and wellbeing.

Our project has achieved the following outcomes:

- More people taking part in dance classes within the local community
- Children feeling confident to participate and share ideas
- Children making new friends and connecting with others in the community
- Improved physical health and mental wellbeing

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| 1.1 | Organisation Name | The Wynd Centre        |
| 2.1 | Project Name      | Adolescent counselling |
| 2.2 | Amount Received   | £1610                  |

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

- Young people and/or intergenerational work

### 2.4 What did you want to do with the money?

Train one of our counsellors so they would be licensed to give therapy to adolescents under the age of 18.

### 2.5 What did you spend it on?

We spent the money on the training course.



### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

Our counsellor is still undertaking the course but has been able to give therapy to several adolescents during it and in the last 6 months has seen 11 adolescents.

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

The project has given young people in the Renfrewshire area the opportunity to discuss issues with an already fully trained adult counsellor whilst undertaking the course. This is a course which does not need to be revisited so we will be continuing with this type of counselling for years to come.

### 3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

We have received great feedback from the parents of the adolescents and several of them have been with us for a number of months now. We already have a Child Play Therapy scheme for younger children which would not be appropriate for adolescents so having this opportunity to assist all children in the area has been hugely beneficial. We offer our service free of charge, so it does not exclude anybody due to their financial situation.

### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

- Adolescent training course £1610
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## Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Glasgow Community Circus C.I.C. trading as Community Circus Paisley

## Section 2

2.1 Project Name Ferguslie Residents Bursary  
2.2 Amount Received £2024.30

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

- Health & wellbeing
- Community facilities & public assets
- Young people and/or intergenerational work

### 2.4 What did you want to do with the money?

Offer free/subsidized places in regular classes for children and adults living in the local area.

### 2.5 What did you spend it on?

We were able to give 12 children free places in two terms of classes.

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

- 12

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

Kids who normally wouldn't be able to come to classes were able to come along, make friends and gain new skills which increased their confidence, fitness, and sense of wellbeing. Based on the success of this project, we've been able to secure private sponsorship for 10 places for 2023.

3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

Pictures and feedback from participants.

3.4 How has the grant been spent?

2x terms of classes x 12 children                      £2024.30

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1.1 Organisation Name                      Renfrewshire Access Panel

2.1 Project Name                              Accessibility for All

2.2 Amount Received                      £5151.51

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

- Tackling isolation & loneliness
- Health & wellbeing
- Environment & parks
- Roads & transport
- Moving around & connectivity
- Community & road safety
- Community facilities & public assets
- Community identity & civic pride
- Young people and/or intergenerational work
- Renfrew town centre & play facilities.
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2.4 What did you want to do with the money?

We wanted to sustain our office base ensuring residents have a definitive way of contacting us, by doing this we ensured that we were able to discuss issues and find solutions for roads, parks, reduced isolation and provide a warm place and food.

2.5 What did you spend it on?

Office costs and peripherals such as Rent, Insurance and phones.

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

It is not a number per local partnership but all residents that benefit even if they are unaware.

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

The outcomes we produced were reduced isolation and improved socialization, Training is offered to all residents on computers, tablets and phones.

3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

Evidence emailed.

3.4 How has the grant been spent?

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| Office Rent | £3899.99 |
| Phone Line  | £1254.71 |



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| 1.1 | Organisation Name | School Of African Cultures |
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| 2.1 | Project Name | KARIBU HUB Centre |
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| 2.2 | Total Amount Received | £4644.30 |
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2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

Paisley north, west and Central

The project meets 2 priorities: community engagement and tackling Social Isolation and promote Health.

1.The project will build on the capacity of the individuals thus promoting confidence and better community engagement and participation, through close and tailormade distribution of information.

2. It will also promote re-engagement while eradicating depression, isolation, and anxiety as the target group will access support.

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

What did we want to do with the money?

- We wanted to do the following with the money:
- Work very closely with organizations across Renfrewshire to compile information about services and “what is going on” within the Local Authority of Renfrewshire
- Create a directory of at least 150 families of Ethnic Communities living in Renfrewshire through a campaign of registration
- Distribute creatively information to families of ethnic communities using basic social media channels: facebook, phone, send texts and e-news information regularly, directly to people
- Have a dedicated hotline for general Inquiries, referrals, and signposting especially for newcomers in Renfrewshire
  - Signpost
  - Refer

What did we spend the money on?

We spent the money on setting up and launching the project.

- We bought 2 phones and 1 chromebook
- We set up two hotlines: 07389170286 and 07429597283
- We paid Project Coordination
- We have been campaigning in African Shops, African Churches fairs and community centres (Social Care Fair and Volunteer organisations fair in the Lagoon, Tannahill centre
- We registered more than 150 families living in Renfrewshire
- We created a WhatsApp group with more than 150 families' members from ethnic groups (Black African, Morocco, Chinese, Pakistani)
- We have been posting information about jobs, volunteering, what is happening in Renfrewshire
- We have a Facebook and website which are in creation @karibuhub
- We have been referring people for volunteering

Was this different from what you intended?

Yes, in terms resources (time and money) we are very limited. As a consequence, we had to take the following measures

Change of project date

The project started later than planned: It was to run from 30/06/2022 to 31/03/2023 but because we received the award after the 17th of August 2022, we only could start the project, end of October as in our Organizations Black History Month was on the way. The new project dates are nine months from 01/11/2022.

Raising additional Funds

We applied for about £19000 and were awarded £4644.30. This means that we have been running the project with reduced capacity and time. We were able to

raise funds in kind from 2 more organizations. received in kind printing of 500 coloured A4 blank registration forms from ENGAGE RENFREWSHIRE £125.00 and Pachedu hosts our project in its premises £750.00.

### Section 3 – Impact

#### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

In only 5 months within the project, we have registered more than 150 families located in all three local Partnerships. Our service users live in the following post code PA1, PA2, PA3, PA4. They all benefited from information and access to Hotlines Numbers.

We reached more than 20 organizations in Renfrewshire by attending fairs for services, volunteering and job opportunities.

We referred women to Pachedu to volunteer. Two are working with the young people project and one is setting up a cookery project.

We made contacts with Ferguslie park community Market and Star Project to refer a lady who wants to volunteer in a Food Bank.

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### Section 1

#### 1.1 Organisation Name Paisley and District Battalion – the Boys' Brigade

### Section 2

2.1 Project Name BB Development Funding

2.2 Amount Received £3,306.15 (4 awards)

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

- Moving around & connectivity
- Community facilities & public assets
- Community identity & civic pride
- Young people and/or intergenerational work

#### 2.4 What did you want to do with the money?

We wanted to use the awards to go towards administration and recruitment costs/flyers for growing the numbers of boys in each of the companies, with an ambitious target of 25% increase in numbers with a full funding award. We received full funding of £500 and £1,000 from Renfrew and Paisley East, and £794 (from £2,000 request) and £1,012.15 (from a £2,500 request) from Johnstone and Paisley North and West.

#### 2.5 What did you spend it on?

We spent some of the money on recruitment documentation and on social media support to try to attract new boys. We also used it to subsidise all of the companies

with respect to fees which they pay nationally to the Boys' Brigade for their boy numbers and support by way of free supplies such as badges and uniforms. This programme was more successful in some areas and less successful in others.

### Section 3 – Impact

#### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

We don't have data to accurately identify exactly how many people were impacted here. Post pandemic, we hope that we simply got people to hear about the Boys' Brigade whether on-line or by hearing about us at a school or church. In terms of numbers:

Renfrew – we had 63 boys, we now have 58. There is always natural attrition as older boys leave so this result was disappointing. Part of the reason here in uncertainty regarding the future of the church.

Johnstone – we had 57 boys, we now have 58, so a little success here.

Paisley East – we had 26 boys, we now have 28 boys, so again some success here.

Paisley North, West and Central – we had 104 boys, we now have 120, so this has been a great success.

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

As above, we hope that we simply got people to hear about the Boys' Brigade whether on-line or by hearing about us at a school or church. It's very difficult to attract boys to a church organization in today's world so anything to get our message out there is deemed a success.

#### 3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

The main evidence is the increased numbers noted above.

#### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

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| Flyers/banners                  | £465.04   |
| Website support/update          | £205.87   |
| Admin/recruitment support costs | £2,635.24 |

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| 1.1 | Organisation Name | Pachedu |
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| 2.1 | Project Name | PAMOJA |
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| 2.2 | Amount Received | £1269.72 |
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| 2.3 | What priorities did you tell us your project would meet? |  |
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- ☐ Tackling isolation & loneliness
- ☐ Health & wellbeing

2.4 We wanted to develop a drop in aimed at capacity building hard to reach minority ethnic (in particular African) communities in and around Renfrewshire which encounter multiple barriers, such as communication and those of a cultural nature, which prevent them from becoming resilient communities.

The project will provide 40 weekly drop-in sessions for 8-10 individuals around volunteering job search and application support, volunteering opportunities, general and mental health support and information on entitlements, The project was aimed at improving awareness via providing access to literature and media through the development of information packs on hot topic subjects to share with 600 - 800 people. The proposed information packs would also be written using simple English and translated into several common languages that are prevalent within the community, making them accessible to a wide range of audiences. The project was also supposed to deliver 6 workshops targeting 5 participants per workshop around areas that our client base feel they need more help with in order to become more resilient and independent. These areas could include budgeting, recycling, how to buy online (using comparison websites and freebies) cooking (how to make healthy meals utilizing leftovers), confidence building, CV writing and developing interview skills. The project will also organise one massive cultural celebration event bringing the whole community together to allow community integration.

2.5 What did you spend it on?

Unfortunately, because we managed to get a fraction of the funding that we applied for which was spent on direct project costs, Project co-ordination, management, and marketing. We managed just 3 months' worth of activities and we had to cut out some of the intended activities completely. We managed to do four workshops on becoming part of school parent education board 12 participants, we had a needs assessment workshop that was attended by 16 participants, we had a workshop on how to plan a community event which was attended by 14 participants, and we had a Modern Apprenticeship session for parents which was attended by 21 participants. We managed to support 3 individuals to gain volunteering opportunities. We also reached 100 people through information dissemination.

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

100 through information dissemination and 63 directly

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

The project encouraged individuals and communities to build on existing and create new social networks and relationships. One participant said, "I now know what I can and cannot do to support my child's learning at school."

We will do this by encouraging communities to be more:

- Connected: The delivery of our interactive sessions resulted in diverse communities with the same barriers coming together to share their barriers, concerns on general health and wellbeing whilst also understanding the need to improve themselves. One participant said, "It is refreshing to know that I am not the only one facing challenges around navigating a new system and culture and Pamoja has helped me build new support systems."

### 3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

These include, but are not restricted to:

- o Registration for all events and activities.
- o Needs assessment interviews and questionnaires.
- o Feedback questionnaires and interviews
- o Tracking of progress and engagement indicators from those attending groups
- o Testimonials and case studies of those attending and delivering sessions, i.e. clients, volunteers and core staff
- o Photos.

### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

Salaries, admin, and marketing £1269.72

\*Calculations based on 3 months project delivery

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| 1.1 | Organisation Name     | Ferguslie Senior's              |
| 2.1 | Project Name          | Ferguslie Senior's Respite Trip |
| 2.2 | Total Amount Received | £647.78                         |

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

Tackling Social Isolation to Promote Health

2.4 The funding was used to cover the costs associated with the transport required for 28 members of the constituted group to attend a 5-day long respite trip to Girvan with a small amount being used to cover sundries associated with the trip including teabags, coffee, sugar etc.

## Section 3 – Impact

### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

28 residents aged 55+ benefited from the project including 5 local volunteers.

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

Ferguslie Senior's was established in February 2022 in response to identified local needs, including food insecurity and isolation & loneliness. Aimed at those aged 55+ the group, in partnership with the Tannahill Centre, hosts a thrice weekly lunch club offering a 2-course meal and recreational activity free of charge, helping those on limited incomes navigate the current cost of living crisis more comfortably. The respite trip enabled a demographic who, throughout the pandemic, were extremely isolated, and in many cases shielding, to eventually leave Ferguslie Park again, and build on the meaningful relationships built over their first year. The growth in organic support networks and extra-curricular activities separate from the lunch club has



been remarkable ranging from the organising of educational workshops, day trips, and exhibition/venue visits to more local groupings such as 'Friday breakfast club' and carpooling to visit the market in Renfrew.

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