

Notice of Meeting and Agenda Renfrew and Gallowhill Local Area Committee

Date	Time	Venue
Tuesday, 21 August 2018	18:30	Gallowhill Community Centre, Netherhill Road, Paisley, PA3 4SF

KENNETH GRAHAM
Head of Corporate Governance

Membership

Councillor Bill Brown: Councillor Edward Grady: Councillor Lisa-Marie Hughes: Councillor Jim Paterson: Councillor Jane Strang:
Councillor John Shaw (Convener): Councillor Cathy McEwan (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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Verbal update by Chief Executive.
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- 7 Raise Awareness of Waste Services Changes**
Presentation by Amenity Services Manager - Waste.
- 8 Presentation: How events can support the community**
Presentation by Town Centre Manager.



To: RENFREW & GALLOWHILL LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE

On: 21 AUGUST 2018

Report by: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITIES, HOUSING AND PLANNING SERVICES

Heading: COMMUNITY SAFETY AND 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 Renfrew and Gallowhill area in quarter 1 (1 April – 30 June 2018). The report seeks to provide contextual information that explains the performance of the partnership across the Local Area Committee area. The report includes information on:

- Renfrew and Gallowhill anti-social behaviour statistics;
 - Environmental enforcement and improvement activities;
 - Protecting vulnerable residents;
 - Building safer communities;
 - Diversionary activities;
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2. Recommendations

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

3. Renfrew and Gallowhill Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

3.1 70 antisocial behaviour calls were received by the Renfrewshire Wardens' service for the Renfrew and Gallowhill LAC area during April to June 2018. This is a significant decrease compared to the 95 calls received in the corresponding period in 2017.

3.2 444 Community Safety Partnership patrols took place within the Renfrew and Gallowhill LAC area, many in response to these calls. The antisocial behaviour calls

made to the Wardens help the Community Safety Partnership to respond to and direct resources across Renfrewshire. During the same period, the number of calls to the Noise Team increased in both wards. However, the number of warnings issued reduced from 4 to 2. This highlights that the public continue to adhere to initial warnings and modify their noise levels to within legal limits to avoid any enforcement action.

4 Environmental Enforcement and Improvements

Environment & Place – Team Up to Clean Up

- 4.1 Community groups continue to embrace the Team Up to Clean Up campaign. 101 clean-ups were recorded from January to June 2018 compared to 36 recorded for the same period in 2017. The Facebook community is growing and community groups are now visiting one another to view the results of the work being carried out in communities across Renfrewshire and are sharing information on support that external companies can provide.
- 4.2 During the quarter from April to June 2018, there have been 21 recorded clean-ups in the Renfrew and Gallowhill LAC area. In total over 190 volunteers have removed more than 150 bags of litter. These clean-ups include Gallowhill, Moorpark Nursery, Renfrew High School, St James Primary School and the Renfrew White Cart River Bank and Nature Spot.
- 4.3 Many groups wind down for the summer holidays however work is ongoing in Renfrew with Our Place, Our Families (a local health and wellbeing group) out litterpicking with participating families every Wednesday throughout July.
- 4.4 Businesses have also been engaging with the campaign. Glasgow Airport, Chivas and McDonalds have all had employees participate in litterpicks recently. Chivas provided 150 volunteers to clean several locations within Renfrewshire and collected almost 400 bags of litter. The Normandy Hotel, Renfrew, have been assisting with the removal of litter and flytipping for the Renfrew White Cart River Bank and Nature Spot group. They are delighted with the efforts the group are making to improve the walkway at the back of their hotel.
- 4.5 A Senior Community Safety Officer secured funding from the Council Lens project to provide trolley's and relevant tools for community litterpicking groups. The Team Up to Clean Up Caddy will offer brushes, loppers and dog-fouling/graffiti removal kits, amongst other tools. Work will ensure fair allocation of Caddy's and appropriate Health and Safety and safe use information is provided.

Responsible Dog Ownership Strategy

- 4.6 The Responsible Dog Ownership Strategy has shone a light on the problem of dog fouling and takes positive action to address this issue. 9 Fixed Penalty Notices were issued across Renfrewshire in the period April-June 2018 which is a significant increase on the numbers issued in the same period in previous years. No notice was served in the Renfrew and Gallowhill area during this period, however of the 18 streets targeted for interventions, 5 were from Renfrew: Britannia Way, Vanguard Way, Ard Road, Bell Street and Albany Way. The intervention at Bell Street included a change in standard service provision for Wardens as a 6am start time was requested based on intelligence received about particular problem dog owners, unfortunately the perpetrator is yet to be identified. All streets continue to be monitored in relation to dog fouling however early indications are that there has been a measurable improvement. Feedback from elected members and the public has

also praised the work in this area and expressed a noticeable difference in cleanliness.

5 Protecting Vulnerable Residents

I Am Me/Keep Safe

5.1 The I Am Me primary school resources have been developed to form a structured programme incorporating learning materials specific for each age group from P1 to P7. By June 2018, the Primary School programme had been delivered to 49 schools and 10,436 children had participated. 3,374 children surveys have been returned and the headline results are as follows:

- 98% enjoyed the I Am Me visit;
- 92% are more aware of bullying;
- 91% are more aware of disabilities;
- 99% know bullying is wrong;
- 97% know it is important to report bullying;
- 93% would tell an adult if they, or someone else was being bullied.

5.2 In total 10,848 pupils are booked to attend, with all Renfrewshire Primary and Additional Support Needs schools booked in.

5.3 Keep Safe is extending across Scotland, with 20 local authority areas actively rolling out the initiative. As of the end of June 2018, there are 421 Keep Safe places across Scotland, including 129 in Renfrewshire. The Keep Safe Ambassador programme is also going from strength to strength and now has 226 High School Ambassadors, 86 Police Scotland Youth Volunteer Ambassadors, 38 Ambassadors with a learning disability and 54 Keep Safe Ambassador trainers across Scotland. A total of 132 Ambassadors have been trained in Renfrewshire so far.

5.4 I Am Me Scotland has been awarded the Queen's Award for Volunteer Groups. This award is the equivalent of an MBE and the highest award given to voluntary groups in the UK. I Am Me Scotland was given recognition for all of the hard work, dedication and support from their volunteers. These volunteers include the Board of Trustees, Community Management Committee, Keep Safe businesses and Keep Safe Ambassadors.

6. Building Safer Communities

6.1 The Building Safer & Greener Communities programme has been implemented in Renfrewshire since 2016. A multi-agency group led by Police Scotland and supported by other partners works closely with communities to carry out targeted interventions in areas in need of additional support. The group's interventions reduce littering, vandalism and disorder offences and increase the number of arrests for drug offences in relation to the corresponding period the previous year.

6.2 Erskine was the third area within Renfrewshire to be identified as a 'vulnerable community', mainly due to the volume of youth disorder and antisocial behaviour incidents during 2016. Local residents were surveyed to find out what issues were affecting them in their area which helped shape multi-agency initiatives to address concerns.

6.3 Interventions statistically have proven successful, with an impact assessment carried out in relation to environmental complaints, crime, and antisocial behaviour/disorder, comparing the period 1st July 2016 to 30th April 2017 (pre-intervention) and the

corresponding period of 2017/18 which coincided with the Safer and Greener initiative.

- **Dog Fouling:** A slight reduction from 48 complaints during 2016/17 to 42 complaints during 2017/18.
- **Litter & Flytipping:** A significant reduction in complaints was noted, with 59 incidents during the period of analysis for 2016/17, compared to 20 incidents during the corresponding period of 2017/18. The greatest impact was incidences of Flytipping, which reduced from 30 complaints to 8 during the two periods of analysis.
- **Vandalism:** Reduced by 29%, from 184 recorded incidents during 2016/17 to 130 incidents for the corresponding period of 2017/18.
- **Serious and Violent Crime:** Nearly halved, with only five recorded incidents of Serious and Violent crime during 2017/18 - this is four less than were recorded during the corresponding period of 2016/17.
- **ASB & Disorder:** Disorder incidents reduced by nearly one-third (32%) - a total of 580 incidents were recorded during the 2016/17 period compared to 395 during the corresponding period of 2017/18.
- **Drugs:** Drugs Crimes increased very slightly, rising from 30 crimes during the 2016/17 period to 34 during the Safer and Greener Intervention period. The majority of incidents related to possession of user amounts of cannabis and are attributed to the increased Policing presence during this time.

6.4 The lessons learned in each new area the group goes into about which interventions have the greatest impact on particular issues of concern are being shared across Renfrewshire. While the next intervention area will be Shortroods in Paisley, the learning from Erskine will also be used in this Local Area Committee area. Successful interventions established in the previous areas of Ferguslie and Gallowhill are also continuing with ongoing support from all partners to maintain positive outcomes.

Spring / summer events

6.5 The Community Safety Partnership including wardens, CCTV and Street Stuff have been supporting key spring/summer events throughout Renfrewshire. This includes national events like the British Pipe Band Championship, CoSLA Convention and Colourfest 2018, the dance festival at Braehead. However, they also attended more local events such as St Mirren Parade 2018, Paisley Beer & Food Festival, Erskine Motorbike Meet, Sma Shot Day, The County Grand Orange Lodge Parade in Johnstone, Erskine Building Safer Greener Communities events, CarFest 2018, Armed Forces Day at Paisley Abbey and gala days including Barshaw and Renfrew. The Wardens provided the CCTV vehicle and the Safe Bus with the lost kids' location at many of these events. Meanwhile, Street Stuff were in attendance at the family-orientated events like the gala days, providing football and dance activities for young people to participate in.

7. Diversionary Activities

Street Stuff

7.1 Street Stuff continues to deliver a range of activities throughout Renfrewshire. There were over 10,000 recorded attendances in this quarter, 6,000 of which included evening activities. In addition to the normal scheduled timetable, extra afternoon sessions were delivered during the Easter school holidays at St Mirren FC, St James Primary School and Linwood High, with over 800 recorded attendances over the two week period - averaging over 130 per day. Activities during these sessions included football, dance and the youth bus and included the provision of a healthy meal. Street Stuff also delivered activities at a number of events as detailed in 6.5 of this report.

7.2 The table below shows Street Stuff activity and attendance in the Renfrew and Gallowhill LAC area from April to June 2018:

Venue	Attendance
Gallowhill	378
Arkleston	561
St James PS	410
Kirklandneuk	133
Total	1482

7.3 Four young coaches from the Street Stuff programme have been working on the development of a Mini Chefs project to build on the Tackling Poverty initiative already being delivered during school holidays. The new programme aims to have a more sustainable outcome teaching young people how to cook a healthy meal on an affordable budget. Street Stuff was a winner in the Council Lens programme following the presentation of their ideas to the judging panel and is in the process of developing an implementation plan using the funding and support secured.

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

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial** - None
2. **HR & Organisational Development** – None
3. **Community Planning** –

Our Renfrewshire is fair - The Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership treats all enquiries and complaints consistently using relevant legislation and guidance to ensure everyone that lives, works and visits Renfrewshire is treated fairly.

Our Renfrewshire is safe - The Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership contributes towards Renfrewshire being a safe and secure place for those living, working or visiting the area, using intelligence led joint tasking arrangements.

4. **Legal** - None
 5. **Property/Assets** - None
 6. **Information Technology** - None
 7. **Equality & Human Rights**
 - (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. 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 & Safety** – None
 9. **Procurement** – None
 10. **Risk** – None
 11. **Privacy Impact** – None
 12. **Cosla Policy Position** – None
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To: Renfrew & Gallowhill Local Area Committee

On: 21 August 2018

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.
- 1.2 A table detailing the funds allocated by this LAC at its meeting held on 22 May 2018 is attached as an appendix to this report.
- 1.3 Since the last meeting of this LAC £1,150 has been returned to the LAC budget as a result of Renfrewshire Sports Network being disbanded. The group had previously received grant awards from this LAC. A further £100 has been carried forward from 2017/18 representing unallocated LAC community representative expenses.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the budget monitoring report be noted; and
- 2.2 That the budget adjustments detailed in paragraph 1.3 be noted.

Implications of this report

- 1. Financial Implications**
None.
- 2. HR and Organisational Development Implications**
None.

- 3. Community Plan/Council Plan Implications**
The wide range of projects awarded LAC funding reflect the diverse nature of the community in Renfrewshire and meets many of the key ambitions set out in the Community and Council Plans.
 - 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**
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 - 8. Health and Safety Implications**
None.
 - 9. Procurement Implications**
None.
 - 10. Risk Implications**
None.
 - 11. Privacy Impact**
None.
 - 12. CoSLA Policy Implications**
None
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List of Background Papers

None

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Budget Monitoring Report

Period ending: 31st March 2019

	Funds Available £	Funds Committed £	Balance to be Committed £
<u>General Grant Fund</u>	51,994.00		
<u>Cycle 1</u>			
Renfrew Development Trust		£4,000.00	
Forever Young		£5,650.00	
Renfrew Over 50s Swimming Club		£2,600.00	
Renfrew Accordion and Fiddle Club		£560.00	
Renfrew Football Club		£8,600.00	
Our Place Our Families		£1,258.00	
Gallowhill Bowling Club		£1,720.00	
Renfrew Community Council - Design a Light		£1,000.00	
Kustom Kruizers		£9,000.00	
Lamont Farm		£996.00	
I Am Me Scotland		£796.80	
Cornerstone Drop-in Centre		£149.40	
Rainbow Turtle		£796.80	
Renfrewshire Out of School Network		£199.20	
Renfrewshire Walking Network		£298.80	
Phoenix Flyers		£448.20	
The Wynd Centre		£448.20	
Rays of Hope		£996.00	
REEM Drop-in		£872.99	
Renfrewshire Access Panel		£996.00	
Shopmobility		£149.40	
Oakshaw Trinity Friendly Hour		£215.63	
Bumblebee Babies		£996.00	
Return to Life SCIO		£312.74	
St James' Orchestra		£149.40	
Greensyde Carers		£49.70	
Storm Gymnastics		£521.80	
Renfrewshire Visually Impaired Forum		£149.40	
The Cathedral Club		£482.22	
Paisley Guitar Group		£796.80	
The Breastfeeding Network		£681.76	

Loud 'n' Proud		£1,255.60	
Johnstone Pipe Band		£996.00	
Paisley Magic Circle		£829.66	
C-Change Scotland		£996.00	
Alzheimer Scotland		£99.60	
Blueprint Scotland		£996.00	
St Mirren Netball Club		£431.90	
Scottish Caribbean Festival Association		£498.00	
Renfrewshire Sports Network Grant Return	1,150.00		
LAC rep expenses carried forward	100.00		
	£53,244.00	£51,994.00	£1,250.00
<u>Renfrew Common Good Fund</u>	67,360.00		
Our Place Our Families		£27,360.00	
Renfrew Community Council		£40,000.00	
	£67,360.00	£67,360.00	£0.00
<u>Paisley Common Good Fund</u>	2,000.00		
Gallowhill Senior Citizens Indoor Bowling		£1,220	
Gallowhill Bowling Club		£780.00	
	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£0.00
<u>Youth Challenge Fund</u>	23,840.00		
<u>Cycle 1</u>			
Renfrew High Parent Council		£8,000.00	
Sports Services Active Schools		£10,000.00	
The Boys Brigade Paisley and District Batallion		£249.00	
Paisley Pirates		£996.00	
Renfrewshire Bowling Association Under 25s		£298.80	
Braehead Junior Ice Hockey Club		£326.19	
Fitting-in		£507.96	
The Wynd Centre		£448.20	
Feis Phaislig		£877.87	
Renfrewshire Youth Voice		£398.40	
Loud 'n' Proud		£1,732.40	
Fund Total	£23,840.00	£23,834.82	£5.18
TOTAL	£146,444.00	£145,188.82	£1,255.18



To: Renfrew and Gallowhill Local Area Committee

On: 21 August 2018

Report by: Chief Executive

Heading: Renfrew Christmas Lights Switch On

1. Summary

- 1.1 The Christmas Lights Switch On in Renfrew is an enjoyable and valued annual event that fosters community spirit and encourages wide participation of residents and children within the community. This has a positive effect on the local economy allowing local retailers to maximise trade on the day. The fireworks display was part of the celebratory relaunch following the refurbishment of the Town Hall and display showcased the full beauty of the building and its architectural splendour. Due to the success of this, there was a subsequent request to integrate a display into the annual Switch On event. In addition, the event evolved at the request of the Community Council to include the reindeer and outdoor activities. Renfrewshire Council's event budget supports all the indoor programming, marketing and the infrastructure required to launch the fireworks.
- 1.2 The purpose of this report is to seek the LAC's support for funding for these enhanced activities which will be requested from the main Renfrew Common Good Fund. This will require a report to be submitted to the meeting of the Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board to be held on 5 September 2018.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Renfrew and Gallowhill Local Area Committee is requested to support the proposals from the Head of Marketing to maintain the Renfrew Christmas Lights Switch On event and improve the experience for both visitors and the local business community.
- 2.2 That it be noted that a report would be submitted to the meeting of the Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board to be held on 5 September 2018.

3. Background

- 3.1 Renfrew Christmas Lights Switch On is being held on Saturday 24 November 2018. The event will be held at Renfrew Town Hall and outdoors in Renfrew town centre with a range of free activities for families to enjoy culminating in a fireworks finale as the lights are switched on. The event attracts audiences of 4,000.
- 3.2 In 2017 additional funding enabled the outdoor activities to include a Santa's grotto with present give-away and reindeer enclosure as well as a live music stage with local acts and choirs hosted by from Pulse FM. Activities in the Town Hall included a concert by the Burgh Band and Civic Reception, an interactive theatre performance 'The Elves Are Very Shy' for the under 5s, children's craft workshops, face painters and a balloon modeller.
- 3.3 The Christmas lights switch on event is accessible to all. All activities apart from the fun-fair are free and all rooms are accessible to those with mobility issues. The outdoor firework viewing area will have an area set aside for wheelchair users.
- 3.4 It has been identified that a funding investment of £10,000 would allow the Council to invest in the following areas:
- £1,500 for the free Santa's grotto and gifts
 - b. £2,000 for equipment and production (outdoor Staging & PA System)
 - c. £1,500 for hire of Santa and reindeer.

- d. £5,000 for fireworks

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial** – £10,000 grant funding from the Renfrew Common Good Fund
 2. **HR & Organisational Development** – N/A
 3. **Community Planning** – N/A
 4. **Legal** – N/A
 5. **Property/Assets** – N/A
 6. **Information Technology** – N/A.
 7. **Equality & Human Rights** – N/A
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8. **Health & Safety** – N/A
 9. **Procurement** – N/A
 10. **Risk** - N/A
 11. **Privacy Impact** - N/A
 12. **COSLA Policy Position** –N/A
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List of Background Papers

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