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## Notice of Meeting and Agenda Renfrew and Gallowhill Local Area Committee

Date	Time	Venue
Tuesday, 30 May 2017	18:30	Renfrew Town Hall, Renfrew Cross, Renfrew, PA4 8LJ

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):

## To Follow Items

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Item 1 - Community Safety & Public Protection, Progress Update

Item 2 - Street Stuff Annual Report/Funding Request

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To: RENFREW & GALLOWHILL LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE

On: 30 MAY 2017

Report by: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Heading: COMMUNITY SAFETY & PUBLIC PROTECTION,

**PROGRESS UPDATE** 

## 1. Summary

- 1.1 This report provides a progress update for quarter 4 of 2016/12017 on activities the Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership has carried out in the Paisley North area. A number of community planning partners have provided statistical information, including: Police Scotland; Scottish Fire & Rescue Service; and Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership. The report includes information on:
  - Paisley North community safety statistics;
  - Environmental enforcement and improvement activities;
  - Protecting vulnerable residents;
  - Building safer communities;
  - A spotlight on the Renfrewshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership.

#### 2. Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that the Local Area Committee notes the content of this progress update report for Quarter 4, 2016/2017 (1 January to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017).

#### 3. Focus on Renfrew and Gallowhill

3.1 The table below details the number of incidents reported within the Renfrew and Gallowhill Local Area during Quarter 4, 2016/17 (January to March 2017). The Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership continues to target resources into identified hotspot areas.

Incidente Deported	Q4 2015/16		Q4 2016/17	
Incidents Reported	Ward 1	Ward 2	Ward 1	Ward 2
Serious Violent Crime	6	3	2	4
Minor Assault	16	22	13	14
Drug Crime	56	33	26	19
Disorder and Anti Social	264	228	182	193
Behaviour (ASB) (number of calls)	204			133
Vandalism	30	40	29	18

- 3.2 The incidents reported above are obtained directly from the Police Database (Storm) with many discussed as part of the Daily Tasking meetings. The information gathered allows early intervention and quick resolution to incidents.
- 3.3 From previous years, the Community Safety Partnership often see a pattern with regards to complaints in relation to anti-social behaviour, with an increase from Easter (light nights) through to the end of Summer time and then there is seen to be a decline over the darker nights.
- 3.3 Ward 1: There were reductions across all five incident types during quarter 4 of 2016/17 in comparison to the corresponding period of 2015/16. Serious violent crime incidents remained at a very low level, with only two incidents recorded during the quarter. Further analysis identified that both incidents were unconnected.
- 3.4 Ward 2: There were also reductions across four of the five incident types during quarter 4 of 2016/17 in comparison to the corresponding period of 2015/16. Serious violent crime increased from three crimes to four however remains at a very low overall level. In addition, there were no obvious hotspots or repeat locations/victims identified.

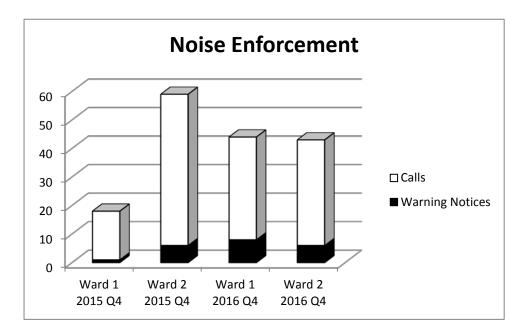
#### Renfrewshire Wardens' Antisocial Behaviour Calls

3.5 83 antisocial behaviour calls were directly received by the Renfrewshire Wardens' service for the Renfrew and Gallowhill LAC area during 1 January – 31 March 2017. This is a increase compared to the corresponding period in 2016. It should be noted that several of the calls to Wardens will also have been reported to Police Scotland and will be included within the statistics detailed ion paragraph 3.1 above. 872 patrols took place within the Renfrew and Gallowhill LAC area, many in response to these calls. The antisocial behaviour calls made to the Wardens assist the Community Safety Partnership in responding to and directing resources across Renfrewshire.

#### **Noise Enforcement**

3.6 During 1 January – 31 March 2017, the number of calls to the Noise Team remained at a similar level compared to the same period last year. However, Ward 1

significantly increased by 112% and Ward 2 notably decreased by 30%. The number of Warning Notices issued also increased which corresponds with the calls. The Noise Team has worked with its community safety partners and operated extended hours until 4am on Fridays and Saturdays since 2014. These working practises have established an excellent service with a history of successfully resolving noise complaints, without formal enforcement action being required following the issue or a warning notice.



#### 4 Environmental Enforcement and Improvements

#### **Vehicle Emissions Testing**

4.1 This bi-annual event took place during March 2017. The Renfrewshire Wardens, working in partnership with Licensing Officers and Police Scotland, carried out emissions testing on light vehicles entering Air Quality Management Areas in the town centres of Johnstone (15 & 16 March) and Renfrew (23 & 24 March). 696 vehicles were tested including 35 taxis and private-hire vehicles, with only 1 fail resulting in the issuing of a Fixed Penalty Notice to the driver. Although detection was very low for emissions this year, other offences were identified. This resulted in the following: 1 male was arrested for drunk driving, a young driver was reported to the Procurator Fiscal for possession of drugs, 1 private hire taxi was immediately suspended from operating due to an illegal tyre tread and 3 warnings were issued due to minor defects.

#### 2017 School Parking Safety and Idling Initiative

4.2 This campaign aims to make drivers aware of the dangers of parking illegally or inconsiderately near schools and the threat that idling engines can pose to children's health. Following on from our campaign of 2015-16 where 18,894 text messages were sent to parents/guardians, combined with thousands of leaflets distributed to drivers, this year's campaign aims to be equally successful. A further 10 schools have been identified to be part of the 2017 School Parking Safety and Idling Initiative. Banners highlighting the issues relating to engine idling and dangerous parking were erected outside these schools and wardens patrolled during key times to reinforce the messages during February-June 2017. Information was also communicated through the Council's website, text alerts, school newsletters, leaflets and local media. This action supported wider activities relating to road safety carried out at schools across Renfrewshire.

#### **Secondary Schools Litter Initiative**

- 4.3 Community Resources has received multiple complaints regarding issues of litter generated by the pupils from local high schools at lunchtimes and after school. A variety of shops near the schools offer hot food which pupils use regularly. Renfrewshire Council do not enforce littering on juveniles. However, the Community Safety Partnership together with local schools has implemented a joint action plan during March 2017:
  - Areas surrounding the schools were cleaned by Streetscene and the Community Payback Team;
  - The Community Safety Youth Team addressed school assemblies regarding pupils' behaviour outside school grounds;
  - Litter picks by the school pupils were arranged by the Youth Team with equipment supplied by the wardens;
  - Wardens regularly patrolled the local areas and challenged any unacceptable behaviours they observed involving pupils and captured the interaction using body worn video. Footage was forwarded to the schools for follow up action.

#### **DVLA Audit of Abandoned Vehicle Procedures**

- 4.4 Renfrewshire Council received over 300 reports of abandoned vehicles in 2016/17. However, after investigation less than 10% of these vehicles were officially categorised as abandoned. There are strict criteria to assess if a vehicle is abandoned and this can include (but is not limited to) flat tyres or removed wheels, smashed windscreens or windows, missing number plates or graffiti. Most of the complaints related to cars that had not moved for a time period and were untaxed, however, they were not deemed to be abandoned once inspected. The DVLA enforce cars that are untaxed and remain on the road and complainers can check on the DVLA website to see if a car is untaxed.
- 4.5 To assist in the delivery of the service, the Council website has been updated to provide more information to the public as to what constitutes an abandoned vehicle. One issue is that many of the complaints were anonymous which resulted in the Council being unable to advise why they were not abandoned and therefore there

- were numerous repeat callers. This has been rectified and now to report an abandoned vehicle, the complainer must leave contact details to allow Renfrewshire Council to respond.
- 4.6 The Renfrewshire Wardens Service was externally audited by the DVLA Data Sharing Assurance Team in December 2016. The purpose of this audit was to confirm that the Council was recording and investigating abandoned vehicles to the required DVLA standards. In January 2017, Renfrewshire Council received an overall audit rating of 'Green', which demonstrates a high level of compliance. This allows the Renfrewshire Wardens continued access to DVLA vehicle keeper data which helps to identify abandoned vehicles at the earliest point in the process.

#### 5 Protecting Vulnerable Residents

#### Safe Kids

- 5.1 Safe Kids is an annual interactive educational programme involving Renfrewshire's Community Safety Partners, delivering messages relating to a range of safety issues to every Primary 6 pupil in Renfrewshire, i.e. 1,830 pupils in total.
- 5.2 The aim of Safe Kids is to reduce the number of accidents involving young people, promote positive behaviour and eliminate risks.
- 5.3 Safe Kids was delivered at St Mirren's Paisley 2021 Stadium during February-March 2017 with pupils transported to the stadium from their respective schools. Workshops were designed to be interactive and short in length (10-12 minutes) to enable partners to get vital messages across in subject areas that can be difficult to discuss.
- 5.4 Workshops this year included antisocial behaviour; CCTV; alcohol and drug awareness; internet safety; fire safety; litter & dog fouling and Street Stuff. Some new workshops were also included for the first time this year, including raising awareness and encouraging kids to "back the bid" for Paisley City of Culture 2021, Who Cares Scotland raising awareness of children in the care system and working with the Council's Civil Contingencies Team, to increase awareness of how to prepare for emergency situations.

#### The Street

- 5.5 'The Street' is an award winning drama project based in Hamilton that helps young people to address antisocial behaviour and keep themselves safe. This 20 minute drama is delivered by young people aged 14-24 with the target audience being other young people. Topics include knife crime; teenage pregnancy; domestic violence and alcohol misuse.
- 5.6 The Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership visited the project on 2 occasions during January February 2017, with young people who come to the attention of the Community Safety Youth Team through their involvement in youth disorder. After watching the drama, the young people attend a 1 hour workshop to assess the impact of their behaviour on themselves and their community.

#### **Choices for Life**

- 5.7 Choices for Life is an innovative diversionary and educational initiative aimed at raising awareness amongst young people aged 11-18 about the dangers of substance use and misuse in relation to smoking, alcohol and drugs. It also offers online safety and advice on how to deal with negative peer pressure and provides useful resources for young people and parents, carers, teachers and youth workers at www.choicesforlifeonline.org.
- 5.8 The 2017 Choices for Life event took place on 20 March 2017 at Johnstone Town Hall. It was attended by 120 second year pupils from Renfrewshire's Secondary Schools. This event focused on the dangers of alcohol and drugs with inputs from Police Scotland, RADAR, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Renfrewshire Wardens Service and Community Safety Service, Clubbercise with Active Communities and St Andrew's First Aid.

#### I Am Me/Keep Safe

- 5.9 The I Am Me Cinebus is touring Renfrewshire primary schools to deliver a comprehensive programme which raises awareness of disability, bullying and hate crime. Over 7,000 children have participated in the programme since September 2016. The programme has been designed to complement the curriculum for excellence and a progressive lesson plan is available for each school year (from P1-P7). Feedback from nearly 3,000 participants highlights that 98% of participants have enjoyed the Cinebus visit, 99% know bullying is wrong and 96% would report an incident.
- 5.10 Disability hate crime awareness training is currently being delivered to the Scottish Prison Service. The training is being delivered, in-house, to Polmont young offenders, with excellent feedback and engagement. I Am Me staff recently delivered the training to the Scottish Prison Services Headquarters in Edinburgh and will be delivering the sessions to inmates and staff at Shotts prison in the spring.
- 5.11 Based in Renfrewshire, Keep Safe is now being rolled out in Ayrshire, with Orkney, Highlands and Islands, Stirling and West Dunbartonshire at the early stages of adopting the initiative. The Keep Safe Scotland "phone app" has now been launched and is free to download from iOS and Android. The app can be used to plan routes, highlighting all Keep Safe places and provide details including opening hours, website and telephone number. The app is linked to Police Scotland to dial 101 or 999 with an approximate location displayed allowing officers to find the app user if they are lost or in distress. A link is provided for all local authorities in Scotland, with the option to provide details for community safety events and contacts. The Keep Safe places are being linked with Police Scotland A-Z system to provide additional support, if required.

#### 6. Building Safer Communities

#### **Best Bar None**

6.1 Best Bar None is an awards scheme which raises standards and rewards excellence for those venues that attain the award standard. This is delivered at a local level in

partnership with the industry, local authorities and Police Scotland. Community Resources' Trading Standards & Licensing Team is responsible for the local coordination and assessment of the scheme. Best Bar None Awards are based on core national standards relating to the five licensing objectives, which are:

- preventing crime and disorder;
- securing public safety;
- preventing public nuisance;
- protecting and improving public health; and
- protecting children from harm.
- 6.2 12 venues attained either gold or silver awards at the local Awards Ceremony on 12 January 2017. 7 venues were presented with awards in specialist categories such as "Best family establishment", "Most improved" or "Heart of the Community". 4 Category winners were shortlisted for categories in the Best Bar None Scotland Awards 2016-17, held at the Hilton Hotel, Glasgow on 30 March 2017. The Tartan Rose, Paisley won the Heart of the Community Award the first ever National Best Bar None Award for a Renfrewshire venue.

## 7. Strategic Police Priorities

- 7.1 At the Housing and Community Safety Police Board on 23 August 2016, Community Resources presented the Renfrewshire Council response to the Scottish Government consultation on the Strategic Police Priorities.
- 7.2 The strategic priorities have now been published and are in line with Renfrewshire Council's consultation response.
- 7.3 The Scottish Government has now established seven strategic priorities for Police Scotland to drive their service over the coming years and these are:
  - Localism Ensure that the needs of local communities are understood and reflected in the planning and delivery of policing at a local and national level.
  - **Inclusion** Ensure our police service is accessible and responsive to the needs of all people in Scotland.
  - Prevention Ensure our police service works to protect people by preventing crime and reducing fear of crime through communication, education, innovation and partnership working.
  - Response Focus policing on improving the wellbeing of individuals and communities by tackling crime and responding to and investigating incidents effectively and efficiently.

- Collaborative Working Ensure that our police service works productively with partners at local, national and international levels to deliver better outcomes for people in Scotland.
- Accountability Continuously improve public confidence in policing and inspire trust by being transparent, accountable and acting with integrity, fairness and respect.
- Adaptability Ensure our police service takes advantage of new opportunities and meets emerging threats and challenges.
- 7.4 Police Scotland and the Scottish Police Authority (SPA) launched a consultation on the 2026 Strategy on 27 February 2017. The Chief Constable has advised that the strategy is aimed at making police time more productive and that Police Scotland will work smarter. As part of this, Police Scotland is also introducing new Operational Area models, including across Renfrewshire from 4 April 2017. The focus of the new strategy and operational model is in line with the Strategic Police priorities above and will result in a focus on Community Policing.

#### 8 Public Protection Spotlight – Renfrewshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership

- 8.1 The Renfrewshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership (ADP) is a multi-agency group, which has strategic responsibility to review, develop and deliver local services related to the challenges associated with alcohol and drug misuse. It was established in 2009 and comprises representatives from Renfrewshire Health & Social Care Partnership, Engage Renfrewshire, Police Scotland, Scottish Fire & Rescue Services, Scottish Prison Service and Job Centre Plus.
- 8.2 Renfrewshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership's vision is to ensure that individuals will achieve and sustain recovery from their alcohol and drug use and become contributing members of society.
- 8.3 Renfrewshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership is responsible for reporting outcomes in their Annual Report (latest 2015/16). The annual report also includes core and local indicators, many of which demonstrate an improving trend.
- 8.4 Renfrewshire ADP has a drug death action plan which outlines key priorities for preventing deaths. Key areas include investigating all drug related deaths and trends and reviewing any areas for intervention. Recent data shows that there were 19 drug related deaths in Renfrewshire in 2015. This represents a 37% decrease compared with 2014 and is in contrast with many other areas of Scotland which experienced a 15% increase.
- 8.5 In the last year, over 98% of individuals in Renfrewshire waited no more than 3 weeks for treatment, which is better than the Scotland wide figure of 96% for alcohol and 93.7% for Drugs. Renfrewshire has consistently exceeded the local target of

91.5% during 2016/17. Improvements seen in waiting times for drug and alcohol services have made services more accessible and increased the numbers attending.

- 8.6 Renfrewshire's Alcohol and Drug Partnership's 2016/17 developments include:
  - Implementation of the Scottish Government's Quality Principles which include a
    detailed self-assessment, and an evidence informed programme of work to
    support and improve service performance;
  - Recruitment of a Licensing Intern who will work with communities to enhance their involvement in the Licensing process;
  - Recruitment of a Recovery Development worker to enhance the work related to recovery from drug and alcohol problems in Renfrewshire;
  - Funding of the Safe Bus, which seeks to support people who are at risk during
    the Festive period (Fridays & Saturdays nights in December). The Safe Bus
    provides a safe environment for anyone who may be vulnerable as a result of
    being intoxicated, injured or separated from their fellow revellers;
  - The continuation of the National Naloxone Programme which aims to prevent drug related deaths. Naloxone is a potentially lifesaving drug which can temporarily reverse the symptoms of overdose. Training is offered on how to administer Naloxone and basic lifesaving skills including Cardio-pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR);
  - A Training Needs Analysis is being conducted which seeks to identify training needs amongst staff working in addiction services and other key practitioners.
     This will inform future workforce development priorities for the partnership;
  - Implementation of Peer to Peer programme, which offers training and a recognised qualification for people in Recovery from alcohol and drug use which will allow them the skills to become Peer Support workers.

## **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: RENFREW AND GALLOWHILL LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE

On: 30 MAY 2017

Report by: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Heading: STREET STUFF ANNUAL REPORT/FUNDING REQUEST

#### 1. Summary

- 1.1 Street Stuff has been delivering activities in Renfrewshire since 2009, during which the programme has contributed to delivering a sustained reduction in reported youth disorder and anti social behaviour. Across Renfrewshire a 75% reduction in youth disorder and anti social behaviour was achieved in the first 5 years of the programme and a further 42% increase in participation levels has been seen over the past 3 years. Over 43,000 participants took part during 2016/17, an increase of 5000 from the previous year. The programme now offers a range of activities such as football, dance, cheerleading, clubbercise, gaming, DJ workshops, filming and much more.
- 1.2 In 2016/17, supported by the Tackling Poverty Commission, Street Stuff replaced 5 container boxes with 5 buses equipped with playstations and Xboxes. The last two buses were further supported by Paisley 2021 linking in with community engagement intended to take cultural and media experiences to all Renfrewshire communities. Following consultation, the buses were designed both internally and externally by Street Stuff participants to include ipads, macbooks and DJ decks as well as a fresh new vibrant exterior. Free Wi-Fi is also to be installed very soon following discussion with young people. The buses give flexibility in providing activities across wider areas in Renfrewshire as well as supporting events, gala days and community engagement related to the Paisley 2021Bid.
- 1.3 The success of the programme relies on its ability to respond quickly to hot spot areas identified through collaborative working supported by Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership. Being evidence led, and by responding early through the daily

tasking process, the service is able to divert young people effectively from anti social behaviour into more meaningful activities.

- 1.4 The success of the programme in delivering life changing outcomes for residents is demonstrated by the fact that previous participants in the programme have gone onto become volunteers in the programme. Some participants (sessional workers) in the programme have used their experiences to support entry into further and Higher Education as well as careers in Police Scotland and the Scottish Fire and Rescue service and as teachers.
- 1.5 This report confirms the development and expansion of the Street Stuff programme through the 2016/17 financial year and highlights some of the additional projects linked with the core programme that have further improved its reach and effectiveness across Renfrewshire.
- 1.6 Over the previous years, opportunities have been available for each Local Area Committee (LAC) to consider funding additional activities within their LAC area. This funding would facilitate additional sessions delivered within communities not identified at a Renfrewshire level as hotspot areas but that the local communities feel would benefit from this type of programme. Given the scale of the core programme, it is requested that a contribution of £5,000 per LAC area should be considered, which would contribute to the costs of delivery of up to two activity sessions per week within the LAC area through the peak summer, autumn, and spring months as well as attendance at local gala days and fetes.

#### 2. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Local Area Committee:

- 2.1 Note the continued development of the StreetStuff Programme as detailed in this report; and
- 2.2 Consider the provision of £5,000 grant to the Street Stuff Programme for 2017/2018 to contribute towards the costs of additional activity sessions within the LAC area including attendance at local gala days and fetes.

#### 3. Background and Further Information on the Programme

- 3.1 Street Stuff provides a range of activities primarily in the evenings and at weekends across Renfrewshire. Effective targeting and identification of the activities is delivered using information and data controlled by the Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership including Police data that highlights the days, times and locations of incidents of youth disorder and anti-social behaviour.
- 3.2 The table below summarises the number of sessions delivered during 2016/17and recorded attendance figures within each local committee area including events, gala

days and fetes supported by funding from LACs and events and activities supported by the Paisley 2021 Bid Team.

Street Stuff Annual – Summary				
TOTAL RECORDED ATTENDANCES 2016/17 - 43,798				
Core Activity including Poverty	Sessions	Attendees		
Paisley North	453	7910		
Johnstone & Villages	353	3558		
Renfrew & Gallowhill	498	6874		
HCRLE	562	8684		
Paisley South	383	9267		
Total Programme	2249	36293		
Events				
Paisley Town Centre (Food Festival)		50		
SMFC Stadium annual football tournament		500		
Johnstone Gala Day Shanks Park		40		
No Substitute for Life		50		
St James PF (Pipe Bands)		350		
Renfrew Gala Day		150		
Lochwhinnoch gala		35		
Barsail gala day		80		
Barshaw Gala Day	300			
Knockhill Park Gala Day		100		
SMA Shot Day		50		
Homeless World Cup	2250			
Summer Holiday Dance Display	55			
Park mains Gala day		70		
Halloween 1 - Paisley Town Centre		50		
Halloween 2 - Paisley Town Centre		150		
Johnstone Christmas Lights		50		
Renfrew Town Centre Christmas lights		30		
Elderslie Christmas lights		75		
Glenburn Stronger Communities Dance Display		60		
Total		4495		
Paisley 2021 Events				
Paisley 2021 Weekend		75		
Paisley 2021 Bus Tour 1 (Community Groups)		25		
Paisley 2021 Bus Tour 2 (Community Ambassador Organisations)		130		
ROCCO Awards		500		
Elderslie Community Engagement event		70		
Paisley 2021 Bus Tour 3 (Local Businesses)		133		
Safe Kids Event		1800		
Howwood Primary School		22		
Paisley 2021 Bus Tour 4 (All Secondary Schools and pupils)		140		
Spotlight on Ferguslie		55		
Erskine Community Day		60		
Total		3,010		

#### General

- 3.3 Street Stuff became an active partner of the Paisley 2021 Bid Team during 2016/17. The key objective being to engage with young people raising awareness of cultural activities, and what it would mean for Paisley to win City of Culture in 2021. The partnership has grown from strength to strength and has opened up a range of opportunities that Street Stuff participants would not normally get the chance to participate in. Whilst the list is not exhaustive, Street Stuff Dance and the new buses have featured in a number of key events over the year including:
  - Smashot Day Young People got involved in the parade, some participating
    in dance with others involved with the parachutes and the parade itself.
     Tuition for this event was provided by an organisation called 'Walk the Plank'.
     The Young People had a fantastic time in what was an amazing day.
  - Renfrew Gala Day Young People from Kirklandneuk and Glenburn performed a few of their dance routines at the gala day. The bus was also in Robertson Park with activities being well received.
  - Pipe Band Festival The Youth Bus supported the Pipe band championships at St James Park which was well received by those who travelled far and wide to be at this prestigious event. Coaching staff also took this opportunity to get the Paisley 2021 message out and encourage support for the bid to be City of Culture 2021.
  - Halloween Parade Street Stuff young people were involved in this year's parade. The dancers performed a routine based on the Paisley pattern outside Paisley Abbey at the event on both nights.
  - Fair Trade Day, Paisley Methodist church Due to the success of performances at other events, Street Stuff young people were invited to perform routines in the church as part of the Fairtrade day. Performances were well received by those attending the event.
  - Summer Holiday Dance Show Young people from across Renfrewshire
    performed in a dance show in Glenburn community centre displaying dance
    moves including singing and acting. The show was a great success with over
    150 parents attending and having the ability to see how far Street Stuff Dance
    has come over the last couple of years.
- 3.4 ROCCO Business Awards Ceremony In November 2016, the Renfrewshire Chamber of Commerce chose Street Stuff Culture Buses as one of their Charity Programmes at the Normandy Hotel and awarded £3000 to further develop the buses in the new financial year. As part of this process two Street Stuff Coaches were invited to speak at the awards ceremony to talk about their Street Stuff Journey and what it meant for them to be involved in the development of the buses and new cultural activities.

- 3.5 Street Stuff Annual Football Festival The annual festival event held in May 2016 hosting around 500 young people from across Renfrewshire. This year's event was also enhanced with additional activities including the Youth Buses and dance classes being provided.
- 3.6 Football Beyond Borders A group of young people from London visited Street Stuff during the summer holidays. The annual visit, which saw the group returning to Lapwing Lodge for the second year running toured different football grounds over the course of the week. A football tournament was arranged for the visitors at St Mirren Training Ground.

#### **Volunteering, Training & Employability**

- 3.7 The ongoing development of the Street Stuff programme has continued to provide volunteering and employment opportunities. Nine new volunteers were recruited with two of the existing trainees receiving the Saltire Summit Awards for volunteering above and beyond expectations and completing over 200 volunteering hours within the programme.
- 3.8 A further positive outcome for the programme is the increase in the percentage of staff delivering activities who have participated, volunteered and live in the Renfrewshire Area rising from 50% to 77% over the course of the year.
- 3.9 Two of the four trainees recruited through the Tackling Poverty programme are now employed by Street Stuff to deliver Dance Sessions and drive the new buses. The other two trainees have moved on to positive destinations with Skills Development Scotland and Hairdressing. Other coaches within the programme have also moved on to positive destinations with one setting up their own dance schools and another progressing to University to complete a degree in Sports Leadership.
- 3.10 University West of Scotland Street Stuff has been working with the University West of Scotland to provide placements for 2<sup>nd</sup> year students within the programme. Work experience placements with young people from local schools and colleges across Renfrewshire have also been popular this year with over 12 placements being provided.
- 3.11 At the ROCCO awards in November 2016 two coaches spoke to over 500 people about their own experience of being a participant in the programme, progressing to become volunteers and with support from Street Stuff progressing to study an HND in Sports Leadership at West College Scotland and now employed by Street Stuff on a sessional basis. They explained their roles within Street Stuff highlighting that they wouldn't be where they are now if it wasn't for the programme. They also highlighted how much they enjoyed the consultation and community engagement with young people on the development of the new buses and being able to see the end product with the buses now on the street.
- 3.12 Street Stuff continued their support at the annual Safe Kids event held in February/March 2017 at the St Mirren Paisley 2021 Stadium. Safe Kids is an annual

interactive educational programme involving Renfrewshire's Community Safety Partners, delivering messages relating to a range of safety issues to every Primary 6 pupil in Renfrewshire, i.e. 1,830 pupils in total. The aim of Safe Kids is to reduce the number of accidents involving young people, promote positive behaviour and eliminate risks.

- 3.13 Pupils are transported to the stadium from their respective schools and attend workshops designed to be interactive and short in length (10-12 minutes) to enable partners to get vital messages across in subject areas that can be difficult to discuss. Workshops this year included antisocial behaviour; CCTV; alcohol and drug awareness; internet safety; fire safety; litter & dog fouling and Street Stuff. Some new workshops were also included for the first time this year, including raising awareness and encouraging kids to "back the bid" for Paisley City of Culture 2021 and working with the Council's Civil Contingencies Team, to increase awareness of how to prepare for emergency situations.
- 3.14 All P6 pupils from across Renfrewshire who attended the event were given the opportunity to attend a St Mirren match with a parent free of charge. Around 800 people attended the match against Queen of the South in March.

#### **Holiday/Festive and other Programmes**

- 3.15 The Street Stuff Holiday Programme delivered an extended programme of activities during the school holiday periods throughout 2016/17 including the provision of a healthy meal. Over 16,000 healthy meals have now been provided at activities since the extended programme began in October 2015.
- 3.16 All five Local Area Committees benefited from this additional funding with local holiday camps being provided at some point throughout the course of the year.
- 3.17 A key feature of 2016 was the Festive programme delivered over the 2 week Christmas shut down period with over 500 recorded attendances of young people from all over Renfrewshire.
- 3.18 Over and above the normal delivery of activities and provision of a healthy meal, a special Christmas Party was held with over 100 young people in attendance. A Christmas Dinner was served with gifts, selection boxes, games and quizzes taking place. Street Stuff Dance displayed their routines with a DJ mixing the latest songs and providing workshops for the young people to participate in.
- 3.19 Chief Executive award To finish another successful year, Street Stuff was recognised for their efforts by winning the Chief Executive's "Place Award" for making Renfrewshire a better place to live in, work and visit.
- 3.20 The popularity of the programme is clear however, in previous years, LAC areas have been keen to ensure that a wider range of communities and young people benefit from the activities offered and have funded additional sessions specifically to address hotspot areas within their own communities. Given the continued success of

the programme in terms of sessions delivered and recorded attendances in each LAC area and the wider opportunities available to young people, we would welcome the continued support from the LACs with the allocation of £5,000 during 2016/17. This would enable the programme to continue to provide additional sessions/activities each week within the LAC area as well as secure attendance at relevant local gala days and fetes.

#### **IMPLICATIONS OF THIS REPORT**

- **1. Financial Implications:** Any financial commitment made by the LAC will be contained within the LAC's grant allocation 2015/16.
- 2. HR & Organisational Development Implications None.
- 3. Community Plan / Council Plan Implications

**Safer and Stronger** – Renfrewshire Community Safety Services activities and outcomes contribute to making Renfrewshire a Safer and Stronger place to live. The project tackles youth disorder areas as highlighted throughout the Community Plan and the Single Outcome Agreement.

**Jobs and Economy** – the programme makes a significant contribution to CV building and employment through providing opportunities for volunteering, training and sessional employment.

- 4. Legal Implications None.
- 5. **Property implications None.**
- 6. Information Technology Implications None.
- 7. Equal Opportunity Implications The recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report.
- 8. Health & Safety Implications None.
- 9. Procurement Implications None.
- **10.** Risk Implications None.
- **11. Privacy Impact** None.

**List of Background Papers** – none

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