

Notice of Meeting and Agenda Local Partnership - The Villages

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 17 September 2020	18:00	Remotely by MS teams,

Councillor Natalie Don Chair

Membership

John Anderson (Howwood Sports and Hobbies): Anne-Marie Balfour (Elderslie Community Council): Councillor Derek Bibby: Councillor Bill Binks: Councillor Jacqueline Cameron: Sandy Clark (Bridge of Weir Community Council): Brenda Whitelaw (Howwood Community Council): Councillor Andy Doig: Councillor Audrey Doig: Councillor Alison Jean Dowling: Margaret Dundas (Brookfield Community Council): James Fletcher (Brookfield Bowling Club): representative (Lochwinnoch Community Council): Meg Gilzean (Bridge of Weir Tenants and Residents Association): Councillor John Hood: Councillor Scott Kerr: Councillor Alistair Mackay: Councillor Colin McCulloch: Nigel Hobbs (Houston Community Council): Stirling McGee (Renfrewshire Youth Voice): Councillor James MacLaren: Rev. Gary Noonan (Houston and Killellan Kirk): Linda O'Malley (Rays of Hope): Councillor Emma Rodden: Councillor James Sheridan: Councillor Andy Steel: Fiona Stewart (Kilbarchan Community Council): Neil Thomson (Brighter Bridge of Weir):

Councillor Natalie Don (Chair): David Blair (Renfrewshire District Scouts) (Vice-chair)

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Recording of Meeting

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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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Minute of meeting of this Local Partnership held on 13 November 2019.

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Report by Chief Executive.

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Minute of Meeting Local Partnership - The Villages

Date	Time	Venue
Wednesday, 13 November		Howwood Village Hall, 14 Station Road,
2019		Howwood PA9 1BB,

Present

John Anderson (Howwood Sports and Hobbies); Anne-Marie Balfour (Elderslie Community Council); Councillor Bill Binks; David Blair (Renfrewshire District Scouts); Sandy Clark (Bridge of Weir Community Council); Councillor Audrey Doig; Councillor Natalie Don; Margaret Dundas (Brookfield Community Council); James Fletcher (Brookfield Bowling Club); Meg Gilzean (Bridge of Weir Tenants' and Residents' Association); John McEvoy (substitute for Nigel Hobbs) (Houston Community Council); Councillor James MacLaren; Stirling McGee (Renfrewshire Youth Voice); Linda O'Malley (Rays of Hope); Neil Thomson (Brighter Bridge of Weir); and Brenda Whitelaw (Howwood Community Council).

Chair

Councillor Natalie Don, Chair, presided.

In Attendance

O Reid, Head of Communities and Public Protection (Lead Officer); A Armstrong-Walter, Strategic Partnerships and Inequalities Manager, S Graham, Partnerships Planning and Development Manager and S Kraft, Planning and Policy Development Officer (all Chief Executive's); F Taylor, Youth Services Manager and J Kennedy, Community Learning Officer (both Communities, Housing and Planning Services); and E Currie, Senior Committee Services Officer (Finance & Resources).

Community Planning Partners

A McNiven, Chief Executive (Engage Renfrewshire) and Sergeant McGee (Police Scotland).

Apologies

Councillor Derek Bibby; Councillor Jacqueline Cameron; Councillor Andy Doig; Councillor Alison Jean Dowling; Councillor John Hood; Councillor Alistair Mackay; Councillor Colin McCulloch; Councillor Emma Rodden; Councillor Andy Steel; and Fiona Stewart (Kilbarchan Community Council).

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Prior to the start of the meeting, Councillor Don welcomed Stirling McGee, Renfrewshire Youth Voice, to his first meeting of the local partnership.

1 Minute

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of this Local Partnership held on 20 June 2019.

In relation to Declarations of Interest and item 4 – Applications for Local Partnership Grants – it was noted that Meg Gilzean declared an interest in application FR1175 – Bridge of Weir Festival Committee and not application FR1215 – Bridge of Weir Community Council as stated.

DECIDED: That the Minute, as amended, be approved.

2 Celebrating Renfrewshire Youth Participatory Budgeting Exercise

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the Celebrating Renfrewshire Youth Participatory Budgeting exercise.

The report intimated that the Youth Challenge Fund component, renamed Celebrating Renfrewshire: by young people for young people, of The Villages Local Partnership budget had been allocated during September 2019 by a participatory budgeting exercise for young people aged 12 to 25 years. Young people co-produced the process of voting and 147 young people from the villages area voted.

The results of the Celebrating Renfrewshire Participatory Budgeting exercise for September 2019 was appended to the report.

Adrian McKechnie, a member of the Youth Steering Group, gave a presentation to members on the outcome of the youth participatory process. There followed a question and answer session.

DECIDED:

- (a) That the outcome of the youth participatory budgeting exercise for this Local Partnership be noted;
- (b) That the presentation be noted; and

(c) That further information in relation to the application by Johnstone Burgh Football Team and to the number of schools used as voting platforms be provided to the next meeting of the Local Partnership.

3 The Villages Local Partnership Priorities

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the local priorities agreed at the meeting of this Local Partnership held on 21 March 2019.

The report intimated that these local priorities should help develop the agenda and workplan for the Local Partnership moving forward and recommended that members discussed the local priorities and agreed how they wished to progress their agenda.

It was anticipated that the Local Partnership might want to refine their local priorities as the Local Partnership developed and this was the opportunity to review and refine the local priorities prior to the allocation of grant funding in 2020/21.

Members worked in groups to review the local priorities for the area. After discussion, and following feedback from groups, the following local priorities were identified; the Transport Bill; village identity; assistance to local groups; a villages bulletin board; civic clarity of villages; planning applications and community benefits; involvement in the local development plan; infrastructure; community minibus; shared resources; and street cleaning. The Strategic Partnerships and Inequalities Manager grouped the reviewed local priorities under key themes of village identity; transport; planning; infrastructure; community benefits; environment and parks; and council plans.

Based on the key themes and discussion at the meeting, the Strategic Partnerships and Inequalities Manger advised that the local priorities identified would be grouped under each of the key themes and that this information would be circulated to members of the Local Partnership.

It was proposed that the following Council officers be invited to future meetings of the Local Partnership: Fraser Carlin, Head of Planning and Housing Services, and Sharon Marklow, Strategy and Place Manager, to provide further information on planning applications in the Local Partnership area and community benefits that could be associated with these applications; and how communities could be more involved in the local development plan; Nicola Drummond, Senior Environment Co-ordinator, to provide further information in relation to the Council's Communities, Housing & Planning Greenspaces and Play Areas and Villages Investment Fund; and in relation to the Council's Team Up to Clean Up campaign and how local groups could become involved and develop projects that could receive funding; and that a representative of South West Community Transport be invited to a future meeting of the Local Partnership to deliver a presentation on locally-based community transport. This was agreed.

It was further proposed that Engage Renfrewshire provide information to members on how Engage Renfrewshire could assist groups to access funding available to them. This was also agreed.

DECIDED:

(a) That it be agreed that the local priorities for The Villages Local Partnership be; the Transport Bill; village identity; assistance to local groups; a villages bulletin board; civic clarity of villages; planning applications and community benefits; involvement in the

local development plan; infrastructure; community minibus; shared resources; and street cleaning and that the key themes of village identity; transport; planning; infrastructure; community benefits; environment and parks; and council plans be approved;

- (b) That the Strategic Partnerships and Inequalities Manger group the local priorities identified under each of the key themes and circulate the information to members of the Local Partnership;
- (c) That Fraser Carlin, Head of Planning and Housing Services, and Sharon Marklow, Strategy and Place Manager, be invited to a future meeting of The Villages Local Partnership to provide further information on planning applications in the Local Partnership area and community benefits that could be associated with these applications; and how communities could be more involved in the local development plan;
- (d) That Nicola Drummond, Senior Environment Co-ordinator, be invited to a future meeting of The Villages Local Partnership to provide further information in relation to the Council's Greenspaces and Play Areas and Villages Investment Fund and in relation to the Council's Team Up to Clean Up campaign and how local groups could become involved and develop projects that could receive funding;
- (e) That a representative of South West Community Transport be invited to a future meeting of the Local Partnership to deliver a presentation on locally-based community transport; and
- (f) That Engage Renfrewshire provide information to members on how Engage Renfrewshire could assist groups to access funding available to them.

4 The Villages Grant Funding Update

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive advising that at the meeting of The Villages Local Partnership held on 20 June 2019, £51,191 had been awarded to 33 local projects.

An infographic giving the flavour of some of the key projects funded and indicating how these related to local priorities for The Villages Local Partnership was appended to the report.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

5 Budget Monitoring

There was submitted a budget monitoring report by the Director of Finance and Resources relative to The Villages Local Partnership 2019/20.

Anne-Marie Balfour advised that, at the meeting of this Local Partnership held on 20 June 2019, Elderslie Community Council was awarded a grant of £3,371 for Christmas lights in Main Road, Elderslie. This money had not been made available to the Community Council and officers within the Council's Community Planning Team had advised that this money would not be made available to the Community Council as the Council had taken a decision not to facilitate any further enhancement to Christmas lights events.

Anne-Marie enquired as to whether this money would be given to Elderslie Community Council to use on other projects or whether it would be returned to the Local Partnership budget therefore leaving a balance of funds for the Local Partnership to consider awarding to other organisations should they apply for the funding.

The Strategic Partnerships and Inequalities Manager advised that she would investigate this matter and advise Anne-Marie Balfour of the position and report the outcome of the discussions to the Local Partnership.

DECIDED:

- (a) That the budget monitoring report be noted: and
- (b) That the Strategic Partnerships and Inequalities Manager investigate this matter and advise Anne-Marie Balfour of the position and report the outcome of the discussions to the Local Partnership.

6 Review of Local Partnerships

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to a review of Local Partnerships.

The report intimated that following establishment in September 2018, it had been agreed that there would be a review of arrangements after a year of operation and it was anticipated that the review would begin in January 2020.

Since January 2019, Local Partnerships had agreed their membership, identified some initial local priorities and distributed their grant funding. In addition, the Youth Challenge Fund had been distributed across all seven Local Partnerships using a participatory budgeting approach.

The report proposed that the Local Partnership review cover the key areas used throughout the consultation and development of the Local Partnership model. This allowed for consistency and comparison with previous engagement and consultation exercises as well as fair consideration of the proposals implemented which included function; membership; boundaries; meetings; and grants.

It was important that a wide range of views could be heard as part of the review and the report suggested that the following methods be used in order to gather feedback: a review of all correspondence and feedback received since the establishment of the Local Partnerships; a further invitation for all Local Partnership members to input to the review on all topics in writing, with the opportunity to do this online, on paper or face-to-face; and an opportunity for wider community members to feedback online or on paper.

Local Partnership members were asked to contribute their views on the scope of the review to make sure it covered all the necessary areas. In addition, members were asked to provide views on how the review should be carried out.

<u>**DECIDED**</u>: That members of the Local Partnership provide views, to Community Planning, on both the proposed scope and approach for the Local Partnership review, as outlined in section 3 of the report.

7 The Villages Local Partnership Future Meeting Dates

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to meetings of The Villages Local Partnership in 2020.

The report intimated that, when formed, it was agreed that Local Partnerships would meet three times per year. In 2019, Local Partnerships met four times, in recognition that there was additional business required to get Local Partnerships up and running.

The report proposed that meetings in 2020 be held around the months of April, August and November; that grant funding allocations for the 2020/21 financial year be made at the April meeting; that wider engagement events be held in early 2020; that an event be carried out in each Local Partnership area which would be open to the wider community to attend; and that a 'roadshow' style event visit different villages in The Villages Local Partnership area to engage with a range of village communities.

DECIDED:

- (a) That meetings of The Villages Local Partnership be held around April, August and November and that members be advised of the date, time and venue for these meetings; and
- (b) That members of The Villages Local Partnership provide feedback to Community Planning on the proposed approach for the engagement events in early 2020, and where appropriate, express an interest in the development of these events.



To: Villages Local Partnership

On: 17 September 2020

Report by:

Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Council

TITLE:

Applications for The Villages Local Partnership Funding 2020/21

1. Summary

- 1.1 Applications for grant funding from the seven Local Partnership areas were invited in February 2020, to be considered at the Local Partnership meetings due to be held in June.
- 1.2 The Villages Local Partnership meeting in June was cancelled due to the Coronavirus pandemic, to reflect both the 'lockdown' restrictions and the emergency planning arrangements in place put in place by Renfrewshire Council.
- 1.3 Renfrewshire Council resumed its policy board arrangements in August, and it was agreed by Renfrewshire Council's Emergencies Board that Local Partnerships would be resumed in September to allow for the allocation of Local Partnership funding for 2020/21.
- 1.4 The available allocation for The Villages Local Partnership is £51,191.
- 1.5 In addition, a sum of £50 per community representative requires to be ringfenced for potential claim of expenses. These expenses are deducted from the available allocation for the Local Partnership. The Villages has fifteen community spaces, so the amount ringfenced for expenses is £750. The amount available for allocation by community group is therefore £50,441.
- 1.6 The Youth Challenge Fund component of The Villages Local Partnership Funding is £23,609. This funding will be allocated by young people through a Participatory Budgeting process currently underway.

2. Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that members of Villages Local Partnership consider the applications for Local Partnership grant funding, as set out below in Appendix 1 and 2.

3. **Background**

- 3.1 Applications for grant funding from the seven Local Partnership areas were invited in February 2020, to be considered at the Local Partnership meetings due to be held in June.
- 3.2 Applicants were also provided with refreshed guidance, as well as a description of the Local Priorities identified by The Villages Local Partnership. A copy of this guidance has been provided at Appendix 3.
- 3.3 Following agreement by Renfrewshire Council's Emergencies Board that Local Partnerships would resume in September 2020, all applicants were contacted and provided the opportunity to amend their application or reflect any changes in circumstances that may have occurred since original applications were submitted.
- 3.4 Local Partnership members are asked to consider the applications for funding summarised at Appendix 1 and 2 of this report, and to assess these against the Local Priorities agreed by the Villages local priorities. Where groups are awarded less than the sum requested, they will be contacted after the meeting to offer support to seek funding from elsewhere. Staff from Renfrewshire Council and Engage Renfrewshire will support this.
- 3.5 Following feedback received by Local Partnership members in previous funding rounds, an initial assessment has been carried out by officers to support Local Partnership members in their decision-making. Where applications have made clear reference to the Local Priorities identified by the Local Partnership, this is identified in the first table at Appendix 1. Applications that make a partial or no reference to The Villages Local Priorities are summarised in the second table for example, the project may work with young people (and therefore meet the Local Priority around young people) but not deliver this directly in the Local Partnership area or make reference to how many young people from the area would be engaged in the project.

3.6 The priorities of The Villages Local Partnership are:

Connectivity and Transport

The Local Partnership want to see villages which are well connected to each other, when people can connect with each other too. Transport is a clear focus in this area, including both public transport and green routes.

Environment and Parks

The Local Partnership want well-maintained villages, with high quality public parks and a focus on street scene, including fly tipping, dog fouling and litter.

Access to services, facilities and assets

The Local Partnership want to improve access to what's going on in the community, including community activities, and making the most of their community buildings and facilities.

Village identity and character

The Local Partnership want to maintain the identity and character of the villages in the area. Key to this is developing and sustaining local community groups, and the delivery of local events.

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APPENDIX 1 – GRANT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY PRIORITY THEME

Villages Grant application forms – amount available £50,441.

APPLICATIONS WITH DIRECT REFERENCE TO THE VILLAGES LOCAL PRIORITIES

Ref No.	Name of project	Amount Requested	Name of organisation	Contribution to Villages priority
FR1057	My Place, My Planet	£100	Greensyde Carers	Environment/Parks
FR1070	November Panto	£700	Calder Drama Club	Access to Services/Village Identity
FR1072	Lochwinnoch Arts Festival	£7,162	Lochwinnoch Arts Festival	Village Identity/Access To Services
FR1095	Promote walking in Renfrewshire	£500	Renfrewshire Walking Network	Access To Services.
FR1102	Howwood Primary Active Schools	£5,510	Howwood Primary School	Access To Services/Connectivity and Transport
FR1110	Expansion of group through Alteration of Building	£8,142	1st Bridge of Weir Scout Group	Access To Services
FR1116	LEAP Car Club	£5,744.50	Local Energy Action Plan (LEAP)	Connectivity and Transport/Access To Services
FR1122	Various Event Equipment	£1,938.69	Friends of Howwood Park	Environment and Parks/Village Identity
FR1126	Double the fun! Renfrewshire twins' group	£482.75	Home-start Renfrewshire & Inverclyde	Access To Services
FR1128	The Renfrewshire Toy Bank	£1,215	Renfrewshire Christmas Toy Bank	Access To Services
FR1135	Engagement with Royal Conservatoire Student	£1,505	The Kilbarchan Singers	Village Identity
FR1136	Running Costs	£1,000	Bridge of Weir Elderly Forum	Connectivity and Transport
FR1137	Rays of Hope – Vision Project	£9,400	Rays of Hope	Access to Services
FR1160	Christmas light switch on	£3,650		
FR1172	Renfrewshire Accessibility Project	£2,239.32	Renfrewshire Access Panel	Access To Services
FR1175	Lamont Farm Project	£4,000	Lamont Farm Project	Access To Services
FR1186	Increased rental costs	£1,755	Lochwinnoch Toddlers Group	Access To Services
FR1187	Continued revitalisation of community facilities.	£4,070	Kilbarchan Improvement Projects	Access To Services
FR1190	Transport for Moffatt weekend	£500	1st Elderslie Girls Brigade	Connectivity and Transport
FR1194	Elderslie Christmas lights switch on and fayre	£1,100	Elderslie Community Council	Village Identity
FR1196	Seating at Dunvegan Ave	£700	Elderslie Community Council	Environment and Parks
FR1206	Running costs	£1,500	Bridge of Weir Senior Citizens Association	Access to Services
FR1207	Running costs/Hall rental	£300	Lochwinnoch SWI	Access To Services
FR1210	Running Costs	£450	Lochwinnoch Art Group	Access To Services
FR1212	Advancing Shop Mobility in Renfrewshire	£1,357	Shop Mobility Paisley & District	Connectivity and Transport
FR1216	Johnstone Dementia Friendly Community Group	£1,418.50	Johnstone Dementia Friendly Community Group	Access To Services/Village Identity
FR1217	Lochwinnoch Christmas lights switch on	£2,500	Lochwinnoch Christmas lights switch on	Village Identity

APPLICATIONS RELEVANT TO THE GREEN SPACES, PARKS AND PLAY AREAS AND VILLAGES INVESTMENT FUND

Ref No.	Name of project	Amount	Name of organisation	Contribution to
		Requested		Villages priority
FR1163	Improving school playground &	£9,932	Lochwinnoch PS Parent	Access To Services
	gardening project		Council	
FR1193	Elderslie Railway Station	£1,400	Elderslie Community Council	Village Identity
FR1197	Picnic Area Main Rd	£6,756	Elderslie Community Council	Environment and
				Parks
FR1198	Picnic Bench Stoddard Square	£1,145	Elderslie Community Council	Environment and
				Parks
FR1200	Glenpatrick pitches goalpost	£235	Elderslie Community Council	Environment and
	painting			Parks

APPLICATIONS WITH PARTIAL OR NO REFERENCE TO THE VILLAGES LOCAL PRIORITIES

Ref No.	Name of project	Amount Requested	Name of organisation	Contribution to Villages priority
FR1043	Eat Up	£579.36	Eat Up	Access To Services
FR1068	Community Cricket Coaching	£2,000	Meikleriggs Cricket Foundation	N/A
FR1073	Fair Trade Education	£750	Rainbow Turtle	N/A
FR1074	Purchase of cricket roller	£1,500	Ferguslie Cricket Club	N/A
FR1089	Brediland Hall Running Costs	£495	Paisley Sea Cadets	N/A
FR1111	Admin, events & running costs	£600	Boys Brigade, Paisley & District	Access To Services
FR1189	Laptop, printer & laminator	£539	1st Elderslie Girls Brigade	Access To Services
FR1191	Makerspace: Connecting Communities	£1,196	Paisley YMCA	Access To Services
FR1199	Secretary laptop & printer	£500	Elderslie Community Council	N/A
FR1209	New dog agility equipment	£570	Phoenix Flyers Dog Agility Club	N/A

APPLICATIONS WHERE ACTIVITY DATE HAS PASSED

Ref No.	Name of project	Amount Requested	Name of organisation	Contribution to Villages priority
FR1141	Fest-Free Community Summer	£3,899	PACE Theatre Ltd	Access To
	Activities			Services

1.	Reference	FR1057
2.	Project Name	My Place My Planet
3.	Organisation Name	Greensyde Carers

4. Amount Applied For £100 is being applied for from the Villages Local Partnership.

5. Description of Project

The purpose of the project is to raise awareness of recycling and create a sustainable environment. The project entails a group of service users working a tutor to repurpose and recreate new items from old so that items do not end up in landfill. The tutor has been briefed in regard to the ethos of the service and that the end products must be usable.

The project will raise awareness of waste and what can be done to re-use discarded items.

The group will be for a maximum of 8 people who have an interest in sustainability, working alongside an art tutor. The project will run from 3 February 2020 to 30 March 2021.

The project will produce items of art work that can be displayed at an art event in May 2020 with approximately 150 people in attendance. The work completed will educate people regarding material that can be saved and repurposed rather than wasted, to make the environment better.

6. Who Benefits from The Project?

Greensyde Carers benefits vulnerable adults. The group undertaking the project will be a maximum of 8 people.

7. Fit with Local Partnership Priorities

The projects help support the theme of Environment and Parks. The project was identified through previous community clean ups.

The idea of the project came from service users in Milldale Day Opportunities who take great pride in their surroundings. Local people have taken note of the work undertaken and this project is a natural development of what the group is trying to do. To change attitudes and make a positive impact on the local environment.

8. Breakdown of Costs

£500 is being applied for from the Villages Local Partnership. The total cost of the project is £600.

Item of Spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Tutor Costs	£450	£450
Materials	£150	£50
Total	£600	£500

9. About the Organisation

Greensyde Carers is a charity that was established in 1996. There are 10 volunteers and 200 members.

The aims of the Group are to advance the education of and promote the welfare of people with learning difficulties and of their carers in Renfrewshire. The group provides and assists in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare, for recreation and other leisure time occupation to improve the quality of life of people with learning difficulties and their carers.

10. Grant Funding Award History

Grant funding from Renfrewshire Council has been received in the last three years for the following:

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	Education and Leisure Grant	£500	arts and crafts material and tuition
	Section 10 Social Work grant	£500	music and dance therapy
2018/19	Education and Leisure Grant	£200	arts and crafts material and tuition
	Local Area Committee grant	£287.99	underwater camera
2017/18	Education and Leisure Grant	£200	arts and crafts material and tuition
	Section 10 grant	£499	music and dance therapy garden furniture
	Local Area Committee grant	£1,000	

1.	Reference	FR1068
2.	Project Name	Community Cricket Coaching
3.	Organisation Name	Meikleriggs Cricket Foundation

4. Amount Applied For £2,000

(£10,000 in total split between, 3x Paisley LPs, the Villages LP and Johnstone and Linwood LP)

5. Description of Project

The Community Cricket Coaching project will take place between 1st May 2020 – 30th April 2021.

The project aims to increase the number of people participating in regular sport within Renfrewshire and aims to address the reduction in people participating regularly in sport and active activity sessions, by providing regular cricket sessions throughout the year. Led by a qualified cricket coach, our cricket sessions will increase the activity levels in all participants and help to promote an active and healthy lifestyle throughout the local communities where our project will work.

The need for this project was identified by liaising with local groups and local people. We have become aware of the declining number of people of all ages participating regularly in sport, especially cricket. Football teams cater for a high number of people however our project seeks to cater for those who do not play football and indeed cater for people regardless of ability. We seek to promote participation in sport, through cricket for people of all ages and abilities.

Our project will provide cricket sessions for people of all ages and will focus on the following:

- in or after school cricket coaching sessions (primary schools)
- in or after school cricket coaching sessions (secondary schools)
- university and college cricket coaching sessions
- weekly, open cricket coaching sessions for all aged under 18
- weekly, open cricket coaching sessions for all aged 18 and above
- winter cricket coaching sessions for people all ages and abilities

Our project will not only help to enhance fitness levels and improve the health and well-being of each individual, but it will also promote key transferrable skills which people of all ages can use in their educational or employment lives. Communication and team work skills will be promoted by

our project while self-confidence, self-belief and self-esteem of each individual will be enhanced.

We will monitor participation numbers at each of our activity sessions and use these figures to monitor and evaluate our projects success. In addition, informal discussions with parents and teachers will also provide an insight into the skills and confidences that may be developed by young people participating in our project.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Different age groups receiving the coaching.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project does not make direct reference to any of the Villages Local Priorities.

8. Breakdown of Costs

The total cost of the project is £12,00. The group is applying for £10,000 in total from 5 Local Partnerships. This includes £2,000 from the Villages Local Partnership.

The balance met from unsecured leisure grant

Item of Spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Cricket Coaching (320 hours @ £25 p/h)	£8,000	£7,900
Cricket Equipment	£2,000	£1,800
Venue Hire	£2,000	£1,800

9. About The Organisation

The Meikleriggs Cricket Foundation is a registered charity (No. SC045605), based in Paisley. It was established in 2015.

The Meikleriggs Cricket Foundation has less than 10 volunteers and its main activity areas are Children & Young people and Health & Wellbeing.

The charity aims to:

- Promote cricket as a participation sport open to all regardless of age, gender, creed, colour, religion or ability;
- Provide cricket coaching and training opportunities for those sections of the community in Renfrewshire and surrounding areas who wish to play cricket;
- Promote the general health and wellbeing of individuals through their participation in sport.

10. Grant Funding Award History

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	Grant name	Amount	Used for	
2019/20	Local Partnership grant Leisure Grant	£3,822	Community Cricket	
		£500	Coaching	
2018/19	LAC grant	£7,760	Community Cricket	
	Leisure Grant	£500	Coaching	
2017/18	LAC grant	£6,143	Community Cricket	
	Leisure Grant	£500	Coaching	

- 1. Reference FR1070
- **2. Project Name** November Pantomime Hall costs McKillop/ hall set up costs' alternative venue if McKillop not available.
- 3. Organisation Name Calder Drama Club
- 4. Amount Applied For £700

5. Description of Project

November Pantomime is set to take place between 16 to 20 Nov 2020. Estimated date dependant on the availability of McKillop Institute.

The purpose of the project is to provide a local pantomime. Assist towards hall costs and production night costs.

The project will allow for a provision of arts and drama to take place withing a rural community by staging two plays per year. They are a November production and Arts Festival in March.

August 2020 Update:

The application for grant funding is towards hall costs at the McKillop hall for club's November pantomime. As it stands this is heavily dependent on whether or not the hall will be open, and whether or not the club can meet and are allowed to host a pantomime. This is all dependent on COVID19 rules about what the group can and can't do.

Therefore, if the club can go ahead then they will use the grant funding in November, it will be used for their March production as part of the arts festival.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Local community will benefit from this project as the drama club will provide entertainment for all age groups to enjoy.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project meets 2 of the Villages Local Partnership priorities. They are:

- Access to services, facilities and assets as both plays will provide entertainment for local community and will use local asset (McKillop institute) for delivery.
- Village identity and character as the project helps to sustain local drama club and provides an opportunity to stage 2 plays in Lochwinnoch.

8. Breakdown of Costs

The total cost of the project is £1,480. The group is applying for £700 from the Villages Local Partnership.

The rest of costs will be funded through ticket sales.

ı	Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
ı	Hall costs	£700	£700

Royalties	£180	0
Front of house	£300	0
Props wardrobe	£300	0

9. About The Organisation

Calder Drama Club is an unincorporated club based in Lochwinnoch. The club was established in 1983 with an aim to provide drama to local community by means of two plays per year.

The club has 10 volunteers and 15 members.

Its main activity areas are:

- Arts and Culture
- Education and Learning
- Older People

10. Grant Funding Award History

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	Johnstone and Villages Partnership grant funding	£700	Hall costs - Renfrewshire Council
2018/19	Johnstone and Villages General Grant Funding	£700	Hall costs - Renfrewshire Council
2017/18	Johnstone and Villages General Grant Funding	£700	Hall costs - Renfrewshire Council

- 1. Reference FR1072
- 2. Project Name Lochwinnoch Arts Festival
- 3. Organisation Name Lochwinnoch Arts Festival
- 4. Amount Applied For £7,162

5. Description Of Project

A 12-day arts festival is set to take place between 19th and 28th March 2021.

Our 20th arts festival continues to bring many different groups together to take part in and enjoy a wide range of the arts over the festival. Our nearest cinema is in Linwood and is not accessible via public transport. Due this a new initiative and art form in the 2020/21 festival will have a film theme and subsequent to the 2021 festival we will be running a film club that will run across the year. The equipment we are applying for will help with this development and deliver much needed artistic experience. Once our local community village hall is refurbished, we will continue to have the film club in the McKillop hall. In addition, the funding will support accommodation, artists fees, publicity and personnel to deliver the festival.

August 2020 Update:

The Festival is scheduled to run 19-28 March 2021.

Dates required are dependent on the opening date of the McKillop Institute, Lochwinnoch and its availability on the required dates. We are aware that refurbishment was planned but no actual dates for this have been arranged

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Residents & local businesses of Lochwinnoch, surrounding villages as well as visitors will benefit from the project. The festival also helps support and sustain many local community groups including local drama, choirs, art groups, church groups, numerous local writers, musicians and performers. In addition, many charities benefit from the festival 2020 included British Heart foundation, Lochwinnoch International Aid, Heart Start and SIMBA.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project contributes to the Village identity and character Local Priority, by supporting local arts and film activity in Lochwinnoch.

It also meets the priority of Access to services, facilities and assets as it enables the use of local assets such as McKillop Institute during the festival.

8. Breakdown of Costs

The total project cost is £9,000. However, the group is applying for £7,162 from the Villages Local Partnership.

The rest of the costs will be funded through	Total Cost	Amount Requested
unsecured funds such as Great Place Scheme Grant		

(wed/digital costs), Sponsors and ticket revenue. Item of spend		
Projector	£714	£714
Portable screen	£648	£648
Sound engineer/equipment	£800	£800
Publicity materials	£2,000	£2,000
Venue	£1,000	£1,000
Artists Fees	£2,000	£2,000
Web and digital development	£1,200	0
Media /press	£2,000	0

9. About The Organisation

Lochwinnoch Arts Festival group is an unincorporated club based in Lochwinnoch. The group was established in 2000. The group has 22 volunteers.

The aim of the group is to organise and deliver a 12-day arts festival for Lochwinnoch embracing surrounding villages in Renfrewshire and wider afield.

Members of the group believe that art in all its forms has a positive and nurturing influence on wellbeing and health. In addition, art can bring different parts of the community together and enhance the quality of life for those living in Lochwinnoch and other close villages. In addition, the festival celebrates the culture and heritage of local community. Lastly, the festival brings considerable numbers of visitors to the village who use the businesses and facilities thus helping sustain economy and employment in a fragile rural economy.

10. Grant Funding Award History

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	Lochwinnoch arts festival	£1,978	Media hall hire
2018/19	Lochwinnoch arts festival	£3,000	Web design publicity and media
2017/18	Lochwinnoch arts festival	£2,500	Hall hire media and web design

1.	Reference	FR1073
2.	Project Name	Fair Trade Education
3.	Organisation Name	Rainbow Turtle

4. Amount Applied For £750 from The Villages Local Partnership

The organisation has also applied for funding to the following local partnerships:

- £3,000 from Gleniffer
- £3,000 from Paisley North West & Central
- £3,000 from Paisley East
- £750 from Johnstone & Linwood
- £750 from Renfrew
- £750 from Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank

5. Description Of Project

The project will run from September 2020 to September 2021.

The purpose of the project is to build on Rainbow Turtle's education work, creating informed and active global citizens locally, particularly from young people and their teachers. This will include the facilitation of workshops and activities on Fair Trade and its environmental impact, to connect not only with the Fairtrade Schools awards system but also the Eco Schools and Rights Respecting Schools awards. With a focus on this local partnership's interest in supporting social connections, Rainbow Turtle facilitates the sharing of resources and skills with our regular schools' conferences, where teachers and pupils can exchange ideas on Fair Trade and global citizenship.

The project aims:

- to meet increased demand to host schools' conferences during the year, enabling young people to engage actively with issues of social justice, the environment, Global Citizenship and Fair Trade;
- to host and facilitate at least 1 producer visit, combining with one of the above conferences as we have in 2020 and in previous years;
- to work directly with the young people on school Fair Trade and Eco committees to embed Fair Trade issues deeper into the curriculum.

Demand is high from schools to provide regular input on Fair trade and Global Citizenship more widely. This has included visits to individual schools, as well as conferences where several schools from Renfrewshire share in their learning.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Young people, schools & community groups across Renfrewshire will benefit from this project because it will:

- Increase young people being involved in the local community and the community in a wider sense.
- More engagement with a greater number of schools. Young people, teachers and community groups with Fair Trade issues, both local and global.

- Increased collaboration with Renfrewshire Council and other local organisations, building on networks already developed.
- Further production of an Education programme which will increase understanding of global issues within a local context.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project does not reference any of the Villages Local Priorities

8. Breakdown of Costs

The total cost of the project is £12,000. The group is applying to 7 Local Partnerships & requesting a total of £8,000 for this project with £750 from the Villages Local Partnership.

The group will balance the total outstanding project costs of £4,000 through their own funds (£3,000 for sessional costs for Education Officer & £1,000 for conference budget costs)

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Sessional costs for Education Officer	£10,000	£500
Conference Budget costs	£2,000	£250

About The Organisation

Rainbow Turtle is charity, established in 2002, with one part-time employee and 55 members.

The aim of the organisation is to enhance the profile of Fair Trade in Renfrewshire by:

- Campaigning and education e.g. talks, workshops, conferences and activities in schools and community groups.
- Organising special events for Fairtrade Fortnight, producer visits etc, often in partnership with other third sector organisations.
- Working in partnership with producers in the developing world.

1.	Reference	FR 1074
2.	Project Name	Purchase of Cricket Roller
3.	Organisation Nar	me Ferguslie Cricket Club

- A Amount Applied For The project is requesting funding of £1 E00 from the Villages
- **4. Amount Applied For** The project is requesting funding of £1,500 from the Villages Local Partnership, to contribute to a total application for £10,000

5. Description Of Project

The purpose of the project is to enable purchase of a new cricket roller. The existing roller is 20 years old and has been identified as requiring urgent attention given its age and condition, which impacts on the club's ability to prepare high quality pitches for representative, club and youth fixtures.

The project is the next phase in the club's facility improvement programme. The purchase of a new roller would complement existing ground equipment and would enable better quality pitches to retain the current status as a Cricket Scotland Hub Ground that can host representative cricket fixtures. The Scottish Cup Final, district and international representative fixtures have been held at the ground.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

The project will benefit current and future cricket players as the purchase of a new roller will enable the club to prepare high quality cricket pitches for all to use.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project does not reference the Villages Local Priorities.

8. Breakdown of Costs

The group are applying for £1,500 from the Villages Local Partnership.

The total cost of the project is £13,850. The group is requesting £10,000 in total split between, 3x Paisley LPs, the Villages LP and Johnstone and Linwood LP.

The balance of the cost will be met from internal fundraising and funding (£1,500 secured, £2,350 not secured).

Item of Spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Purchase of Roller	£13,850	£10,000

9. About The Organisation

Ferguslie Cricket Club is a Community Amateur Sports Club - CH00402.

With a history in the local community dating back to 1887, Ferguslie Cricket Club is one of the main sporting and social clubs in Renfrewshire, promoting health through participation in sport, a social focus for the community and a sporting reputation that promotes Paisley and Renfrewshire on a national basis. They now have four part time employees, 30 volunteers and 208 members.

10. Grant Funding Award History

Ferguslie Cricket Club has received the following grants from Renfrewshire Council:

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	Local Partnership grant	£2,000	Sport and Social Hub
	Leisure Grant	£500	
2018/19	LAC funding & common good	£5,520	Changing room
	Leisure Grant	£500	enhancements
2017/18	LAC funding & common good	£9,035	Sightscreens and ground
	Leisure Grant	£500	equipment.

1.	Reference	FR1089
2.	Project Name	Brediland hall running cost, offshore costs, door replacement, Nest
	thermostatic unit co	ost and fire/burglar alarm

- 3. Organisation Name Paisley Sea Cadets/Brediland Hall
- **4. Amount Applied For** The project is applying for £495 from The Villages, towards a total application of £8,900.

5. Description of Project

To ensure the survival of the Sea Cadets and the hall. To allow the hall's continued service to the cadets present and future whilst maintaining the community centre for use by the sea cadets, youth groups and for the local community. The aim is to increase the morning and afternoon usage of the hall 7 days per week. So far, the hall has been managed exclusively by the Sea cadets. However, sea cadet funds are limited which has held back development of the hall. The organisation are looking to get more input from other groups using the hall as well in reaching out to the local community for support and increased usage.

The running cost of the centre is significant to us and is in the main funded by fund raising events - bag packing, donations, sponsored events and cadets' subscriptions etc. Receipt of this grant will take the pressure from staff and cadets and allow more time to be devoted to cadets' development.

Cadets gain experience in a range of activities not only related to sea- and water-going skills but also related to leadership, teamwork and self-confidence. Sea cadets aim to provide our young people with opportunities they might otherwise not have. They also learn about their impact on the community and the importance of giving back through local fundraising activities and participation. Young people work through Unit-based skills and training. Cadets do archery, meteorology, engineering, first aid, cookery, swimming, football etc in the unit and at district/national level. They gain nationally recognised RYA Qualifications. Many go on to be instructors and use these qualifications for career enhancement.

6. Who Benefits from The Project?

Young people and adults involved in the cadets, plus the wider local community through increased access to the Hall.

7. Fit with Local Partnership Priorities

The project does not make reference to The Villages Local Priorities.

8. Breakdown of Costs

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Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount requested

Mini bus insurance	700	700
Minibus MOT and fuel costs	1,500	1,500
Heat and light	3,000	3,000
Hall Insurance	700	700
Printing, postage and Stationery	300	300
Internet	300	300
Nest thermostatic unit	400	400
Fire and burglar alarm	1,000	1,000
Replacement inner door and door entry system	1,000	1,000

9. About the Organisation

The organisation was formed in 1939 and aims to promote the development of young people in achieving their physical, intellectual and social potential as individuals and as responsible citizens by the provision of education and leisure time activities using a nautical theme and in accordance with the principles, ethos and practices of the Marine Society & Sea Cadets (MSSC). They currently have over 20 volunteers and over 100 members.

10. Grant Funding Award History

2017-18 LAC grant funding of £2667.90 towards an annual summer camp in Benbecula.

1.	Reference	FR 1095
2.	Project Name	Promote Walking In Renfrewshire
2	Organisation Name	Renfrewshire Walking Network

4. Amount Applied For £500 has been applied for from The Villages Local Partnership. The total applications to Local Partnerships are £3,500 towards a total project cost of £4,000.

5. Description Of Project

The project will be delivered to March 2021 and will promote group activities to a wider community, encouraging people of all abilities to partake in physical activity by using walking as the main medium.

The project is to help promote the Walking Network through the printing of promotional brochures which can easily be identified by Walkers. These brochures will be placed in facilities such as libraries, Community Centres, Doctor's surgeries and health professionals to pass to clients throughout Renfrewshire.

We have weekly Health walks in Lochwinnoch, Glenburn, Paisley, Barshaw Park, Paisley, Erskine, Johnstone and Renfrew. This is a one hour walk around the area for people getting back into walking. After the walk we usually have a cup of tea and a chat.

There are a selection of graded walks throughout Renfrewshire which are longer and run every fortnight on a Wednesday. The programme of walks vary throughout the year but are mainly based in the Renfrewshire area.

We have fundraising events that include the Tinsel walk, Tartan Walk and Easter bonnet that we run through the year.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Although mainly an elderly group, the services are now being sought out by numerous social work services who refer clients who are isolated in the local community.

The group also caters for higher risk groups referred on from the local exercise referral agencies including the cardiac rehab trainers, mental health, dietician and diabetic clinics. The main focus for repeat referral of clients is not always walking, rather it is the social aspect of being part of the Group.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project fits with the Access to Service, Facilities and Assets priority, by providing access to walking activities across Renfrewshire.

8. Breakdown of Costs

£500 has been applied for from The Villages Local Partnership.

The total applications to Local Partnerships are £3,500 towards a total project cost of £4,000.

Hall lets and Walk Leaders expenses will be funded by fundraising (not currently secured)

	Item of Spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
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Promotional material and booklets	£2,000	£2,000
Training of Leaders	£1,000	£1,000
Leaders protective equipment and First Aid kits	£500	£500
Hall lets	£400	0
Walk Leaders expenses	£100	0

9. About The Organisation

Renfrewshire Walking Network in an unincorporated club/association, established in 2007. It has 28 volunteers and 723 members.

The aim of the club is to promote and organise a walking group accessible to all levels, abilities and ages, to encourage and promote social fellowship within the whole community through participation in health walks, to raise and sustain fitness levels through physical activity, and to

improve the quality of life for people within all areas of Renfrewshire.

Its main activity areas are:

- Community Safety
- Health and Wellbeing
- Older people
- Tackling inequalities

10. Grant Funding Award History

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	Purchase of promotional and marketing tools	£1,727	Printing of booklets and pull-up banners
2018/19			
2017/18			

1	Reference	ED1100
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2. Project Name Howwood Primary School

- 3. Organisation Name Howwood Primary School
- 4. Amount Applied For £5,510

5. Description Of Project

The purpose of the project, in partnership with Active Schools, is to improve the health and wellbeing of pupils within our school. This will be done by providing sport and physical activity sessions. The project will also help connect villages to each other by assisting in transporting young people to and from events in the surrounding areas. And also, to improve access to what's going on in the community by running activities for young people in the area.

August 2020 Update:

This application was amended to include an additional £510 to assist in the payment of staff to deliver an additional six weeks of outdoor PE and outdoor learning. Cost breakdown of 6hrs per week @ £85 for 6 weeks totalling £510.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Children in Howwood Primary – physical and mental health.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This application makes reference to the Connectivity and Transport priority, by transporting young people to events in surrounding areas, and also access to services, facilities and assets by providing activities for young people.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Coaches £3,400

Transport £500

Girls football/netball kit £300

Infant sport equipment £800

6 weeks outdoor PE/learning £510

9. About The Organisation

Local school

10. Grant Funding Award History

None

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1. Reference FR1110

- 2. Project Name Expansion of Group Through Alteration Of Building Layout
- 3. Organisation Name 1st Bridge of Weir Scout Group
- 4. Amount Applied For £8,142

5. Description Of Project

The purpose of altering the layout of the building is:

- To be able to increase the number of young people who can access the group as the main hall is too small to accommodate large sections, as we currently have waiting lists.
- To encourage greater inclusion by having a smaller, quieter hall for children with additional support needs and/or sensory processing difficulties. It will allow the group to expand the programme of activities that we are able to offer our young people.
- It will also allow more flexibility for ourselves and the other local community groups that currently use our hall.

This will create a second multi-purpose smaller hall suitable for 15-20 children.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Young people and other community groups using the hall will benefit from this project.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project contributes to the Access to Services, Facilities and Assets Local Priority, by expanding the capacity of the Scout Hall for the use of the Scout group, as well as local community groups who use the hall.

8. Breakdown of Costs

The total cost of the project is £11,142. The group is applying for £8,142 from the Villages Local Partnership.

The rest of the costs will be covered by unsecured funds through fundraising.

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Removal of walls, wiring, radiators & electrical wiring	£1,200 + vat	£1,440
Blocking off existing doorway and creating new doorframe and supplying new door and fixtures	£900 + vat	£1,080
Preparation of walls	£520 + vat	£2,604
Insulating, plasterboard lining and taping finishing	£1,070 + vat	

with plastering	£580 + vat	
Decorating ceiling & walls	£630 + vat	£1,080
Joinery finish of skirtings etc.	£270 + vat	
Installation of controllable down lighting and sockets	£520 + vat	£624
Installation of 2 LST Double radiators	£360 + vat	£432
Plywood sheeting floor and fitting non-slip flooring	£315 + vat	£882
	£420 + vat	

9. About The Organisation

1st Bridge of Weir Scout Group is a local scout group based in Bridge of Weir with a Charitable status. The group was established in 1907. Its membership consists of 16 volunteers and 109 members.

Through adventure the organisation aims to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential so that they are responsible citizens in their community. The scout group achieve this by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training led by volunteer leaders. The benefits that this has on young people are truly amazing, with improvements in general health, mental health and overall wellbeing. It increases self-confidence, encourages appreciation of nature and the local environment and foster a healthier lifestyle.

10. Grant Funding Award History

None

1. Reference	FR1111
2. Project Name	Battalion Administration and Events Programme. Battalion running
costs	

3. Organisation Name The Boys Brigade Paisley & District Battalion

4. Amount Applied For £600 from the Villages Local Partnership

The group is applying for £3,000 across all 7 Local Partnerships towards a total project cost of £27,000.

5. Description Of Project

The project will start in September 2020 and end on 31 August 2021.

Events will encourage participation in physical activities and inform on local and world events such as foodbanks and Fair Trade. Events and activities will attract new members, retain existing members and act as a diversion from antisocial behaviour.

The activities promote being active, healthier, safer and stronger and are based around developing young people to be the best they can be in teamwork, mentally, physically and encouraging their concern for others.

23 events held throughout the age range (Primary 1 to 18 years) involving sports, physical activities, arts and crafts, swimming and fun days. Around 800 Boys Brigade members are expected to participate.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

The battalion has members across Renfrewshire, including 235 in the Villages Local Partnership. The age range of the battalion is from Primary 1 to 18 years.

It is hoped that the events will be a positive influence and will prepare our young people for, and sustain them through, life.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project meets the Villages local priority of Access to services, facilities and assets as the events programme consisting of 23 events will take place across Renfrewshire of which some will take place within the Villages Local Partnership area.

8. Breakdown of Costs

The group is applying for £600 from the Villages Local Partnership.

The total project cost for this project is £27,000. The group is applying to 7 Local Partnerships & are requesting the total of £3,000 from Local Partnerships Fund.

The group currently has £22,236 which are set against running costs & a part time salary. The rest of the balance of costs (£3,000) will be funded through battalion accounts (secured) and other funders (part secured).

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested

Salaries	£8,500	£650
Hiring premises	£500	£100
Heat and light	£2,000	£140
Insurance	£2,000	£230
Printing, Stationery, Telephone and Postage	£2,500	£260
Transport	£500	£100
Photocopier costs	£4,000	£400
Building depreciation	£2,000	£230
Building maintenance	£3,500	£750
Other general expenses	£1,500	£140
Totals	£27,000	£3,000

The Boys Brigade was established in 1894. The object of the Boys Brigade is the advancement of Christ's Kingdom Among Boys and the promotion of Obedience, Reverence, Discipline and Self-Respect.

The organisation has one part time employee, 240 volunteers and 1,000 members.

10. Grant Funding Award History

The group has not provided their feedback on funds received in 2019/2020

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	Local Partnership funding	£1,000	battalion events and running costs
	Category C award	£450	Queen's badge and training
2018/19	Local Area Committee award	£1,626	battalion events and running costs
	Category C award	£500	Queen's badge and training
2017/18	Local Area Committee award	£1,804	battalion events and running costs
	Category C award	£500	Queen's badge and training

- 1. Reference FR1114
- 2. Project Name Singing In The Community Year Two A Continuing Engagement Plan
- 3. Organisation Name Lochwinnoch Choral Society
- 4. Amount Applied For £1,655

5. Description Of Project

The project (Year 2 programme) will start in September 2020 and will finish in February 2021.

The purpose of the project is to implement a second-year proposals of a three-year Choir Development Strategy. The aims of the strategy are:

- Improve access to singing opportunities, encourage singing development in Lochwinnoch/ surrounding areas for all age groups
- Improve and develop the proficiency and singing quality in junior and senior choirs
- Encourage and develop community engagement and cohesion, help combat loneliness and isolation, break down barriers, taboos, negative perceptions related to singing
- Promote singing and music, encourage people of all ages, ethnic and social groups to join senior and junior choirs and enjoy the benefits of active participation
- Increase the sustainability of the choir by improving the quality of the singing, upping choristers' confidence, developing informal performances for selected groups e.g. people with dementia, hospice residents, old people's groups
- Develop and include audience sing-alongs at Christmas and Arts Festival
- Build on 23% audience increase at Christmas Concert

The year 2 programme will deliver nine intermediate-standard workshops, three lunch-time workshops/events in the local primary schools, three beginners/basic techniques workshops and three masterclasses for lead or solo singers.

As a result, the programme will raise awareness of the health and social benefits of singing, improve general standard of singing in the choir, increase numbers in both senior and junior choir members and continue to increase audience numbers at choir concerts/other events in the village.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Junior and senior choir participants, audiences and the community will benefit from the project.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project meets the Villages local priority of Village identity and character as it increases the sustainability of the choir by improving the quality of the singing and attracting new members.

It also meets the local priority of access to services, facilities and assets as the project delivers several singing workshops, choir concerts and events in Lochwinnoch.

8. Breakdown of Costs

The total cost of the project is £1,655 and this is how much the club is applying for from the Villages Local Partnership.

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
9 Intermediate workshops	£585	£585
3 Advanced/solo workshops	£195	£195
3 Beginners/basic workshops	£195	£195
Venue hires (12)	£180	£180
Preparation and printing of leaflets	£200	£200
3 school/children's' sessions	£300	£300

Lochwinnoch Choral Society is an unincorporated club based in Lochwinnoch. It was established in 1996. The club consists of 2 part-time employees, 10 volunteers and 40 members.

The aim of the club is to enjoy making music, advance, improve and maintain public education in the appreciation of music making including through the presentation of public concerts and recitals.

Its main activity areas are:

- Arts and culture
- Children and young people
- Education and learning
- Health and wellbeing
- Community involvement

10. Grant Funding Award History

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	Local Partnership Grant Funding	£899	Singing in the community, engagement plan
2018/19			
2017/18			

1. Reference FR1116

2. Project Name LEAP Car Club

- 3. Organisation Name Local Energy Action Plan (LEAP)
- **4. Amount Applied For** £5,744.50 (updated amount as of Aug 2020)

5. Description Of Project

Our project proposes to help address the connectivity, transport and access to services and facilities priorities for The Villages by aiming to increase membership and usage of our Car Club project in Lochwinnoch. It has been running since 2012 and has two cars - one electric and one hybrid. The cars are hired by residents by the hour and by the mile as required.

Car Clubs can provide social, environmental and financial benefits for communities. Car Clubs are proven to cut residents' driving costs, encourage public transport use, provide a valuable transport option, promote active travel and support social inclusion.

We passionately believe in the value of the Car Club and we will engage with the community in Lochwinnoch to market and promote the many environmental, financial and transport benefits of the Car Club in order to increase membership and usage of our Car Club cars.

This investment will help us to get residents in the village to develop a more positive attitude towards sustainable transport choices, by not only boosting people's first-hand use but also by increasing their knowledge and exposure to sustainable transport choices and, as a result, enhancing connectivity.

August 2020 Update:

The project will run from October 2020 to March 2021.

From original £10,000 the group is applying for £5,744.50

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Car Club users and wider environment will benefit from this project.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The Car Club project meets local priority of Connectivity and Transport as it proposes to help address issues relating to the connectivity, transport and access to services and facilities in the Villages Local Partnership area.

8. Breakdown of Costs

The total cost of the project is £11,498. The organisation is applying for £5,744.50 from the Villages Local Partnership. These figures were updated in August/September 2020.

The rest of the project costs will be met through LEAP Car Club secured funds.

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested	

Staff Costs	£5,564	£2,782
Vehicle Running Costs inc. Fuel, maintenance, insurance, cleaning etc	£2,731	£1,365.50
Marketing	£655	£327.50
LEAP Car Club Running Costs	£2,539	£1,269.50

Local Energy Action Plan (LEAP) is a charity (SC044019) which was established in 2012. The charity has 2 part-time employees. Its main activity area is the environment and sustainability.

The aims of the Local Energy Action Plan (LEAP) are:

- Advance environmental protection and improvement by promoting, empowering and enabling sustainable communities through energy conservation and efficiency, encouragement of the usage of natural resources and reduction of carbon use, pollution and waste;
- Advance education by raising awareness and encouraging communities to consider their impact on the environment;
- Encourage community participation in contributing to environmental improvement and ensure the services offered meet the needs of the community, and help to provide new skills and perspectives

10. Grant Funding Award History

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	N/A	N/A	N/A
2018/19	Invest In Renfrewshire Social Enterprise Grant	£548.88	LEAP main project activity
2017/18	Invest In Renfrewshire Social Enterprise Grants	£3208.69	LEAP main project activity
	Paisley Fireworks and Workshops	£1118.00	Workshops
	Green Halloween	£1514.00	Workshops
	Our Pattern	£6,150.00	LEAP main project activity

1. Reference FR1122

- **2. Project Name** Friends of Howwood Park
- 3. Organisation Name Howwood Park Various Event Equipment
- 4. Amount Applied For £1,938.69

5. Description Of Project

The project will take place between summer and autumn of 2020.

Howwood Park is currently going through a transformation, following funding secured from the Green Spaces, Parks and Play Areas Fund and LEADER Renfrewshire. New play equipment, skateboard ramps, an outdoor gym, football goals, picnic tables and bins have been installed. The fence, paths and drainage have also been upgraded by Renfrewshire Council.

As the park is now greatly improved, we wish to hold events and activities there for the community. We wish to hold a football tournament - to showcase the new goals and upgrading of the football pitch (funded through Celebrating Renfrewshire), outdoor exercise classes (these are being funded through Foundation Scotland but we need equipment), an Easter Egg Hunt, a Santa Stroll and other events. These events will bring our community together and will make full use of the newly improved park.

The project aims to achieve the following outcomes:

- 1. Increased Community Cohesion The classes and events will bring people in the village together.
- 2. Increased Health and Fitness The classes and events shall get people outdoors in the fresh air in natural surroundings, taking part in physical activities, be it participating in outdoor fitness classes, playing football, or searching for Easter Eggs!

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Community of Howwood will benefit from this project.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project meets the following local priorities of the Villages local partnership:

- Village identity and character as it will allow to bring people together in the park by running fitness classes and events .
- Environment and Parks as Howwood park will improve in quality and will offer variety of activities for people of Howwood to enjoy.

8. Breakdown of Costs

The group is applying for £1,938.69 from the Villages Local Partnership which is a total cost of the project.

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Yoga mats	£229.90	£229.90
Selection Boxes	£100	£100
Easter eggs	£100	£100
30 litre urn	£58.99	£58.99
Paper cups	£29.95	£29.95
Pavement sign	£94.04	£94.04
Charity boxes	£24.03	£24.03
Portable PA system/cover	£238.79	£238.79
First Aid Kit	£24.70	£24.70

Friends of Howwood Park group is a community, not for profit organisation. It was established in 2019 and it ha17 volunteers and 3 members.

The aims of the organisation is to help ensure Howwood Park is a well-maintained and safe public site which can enhance the quality of life for local people by improving their physical and mental health and act as a focus for bringing people together.

Group's main activity areas are:

- Children and young people
- Community Safety
- Environment and sustainability
- Health and wellbeing
- Older people
- Regeneration

10. Grant Funding Award History

None

1. Reference	FR1126
2. Project Name	Double The Fun! Renfrewshire Twins Group

3. Organisation Name

Home-Start Renfrewshire and Inverclyde

4. Amount Applied For

£482.75 from Johnstone and Linwood Local Partnership (£3,379.20 in total from the seven Local partnership areas) towards a total cost of £5079.20.

5. Description Of Project

Double The Fun! Is the only Twins Group in Renfrewshire. It reduces social isolation by providing a unique opportunity to spend time with other twin parents, and the chance to vent in a safe place with parents who understand the unique pressures they face.

The group is free and has been running every month since June 2018. This project increase the capacity of the group to accommodate more parents and their twins, as there is currently a waiting list for the group.

Double The Fun! was an initiative proposed by one of the mums supported who spoke of the stigma, isolation and lack of support being felt by parents of twins in Renfrewshire. This was after the loss of a Lochwinnoch Twins Group, which meant the closesT group was now in East Kilbride. Other groups are usually created with 1:1 child parent ratios in mind. With the unusually large number of twins in Renfrewshire we opened up the group to the public and it has been hugely popular since.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

The current project has been hugely popular with an average of 5-7 parents and 10-14 children attending the groups from across Renfrewshire.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project fits with the key theme of access to services

8. Breakdown of Costs

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Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested	
Venue Hire KLAS Care (20 sessions@£10 per hour)	£400	£400	
Sessional worker 4 hours per session (4 hours x £12.24 per hour)	£979.20	£979.20	
Activities (baby massage; sensory play; parenting classes)	£1,200	£1,200	

Coordinator/administration costs and Parenting For All training	£1,600	£0 (Home-Start will absorb this cost)
Volunteer travel expenses (4 volunteers per session @ £5 per person)	£400	£400
Co-ordinator travel expenses	£100	£0 (Home Start will absorb this cost)
Refreshments (£20 per session)	£400	£400

The balance of costs is funded through Renfrewshire Council Early Years Pre 5 voluntary sector. This funding is secured.

9. About The Organisation

Home-Start Renfrewshire and Inverciyde is a charitable company and was established in 2001. It has one full time and eight part time employees, with 100 volunteers and 5 members.

Home- Start offers vital practical emotional support and friendship to families through a volunteer home visiting and peer mentoring service. Families work with trained volunteers (many of whom have lived experience) to manage and understand parenting challenges. This includes help finding local childcare groups, accompanying people to appointments, supporting people with life-changing trauma, long term conditions, mental health problems, lone parenting and child disabilities.

10. Grant Funding Award History

2019/20 - £45,200 Early Years Pre 5 voluntary sector, used for core running costs.

2018/19 - £45,200 Early Years Pre 5 voluntary sector, used for core running costs.

2017/18 - £45,200 Early Years Pre 5 voluntary sector, used for running costs.

1.	Reference	FR1128
2.	Project Name	The Renfrewshire Christmas Toy Bank
3.	Organisation Name	The Renfrewshire Christmas Toy Bank

4. Amount Applied For £1,215 from Villages - £8,500 (total project cost), across the seven Local Partnership areas.

5. Description Of Project

The project will operate from October 2020 onwards. The application is for funding for a larger unit at Christmas and a smaller unit all year round to be able to support local families with birthdays etc.

The Christmas Toy Bank aims to provide gift packages and gift cards for Christmas Day and extend this to birthdays and other holidays such as Easter that are significant to children. Other organisations that the Toy Bank work with have identified a similar level of need for these occasions.

6. Who Benefits From The Project? Children and families

The Toy Bank has been in operation for 2 years and we have seen a 50% increase in referrals from 2018 to 2019. Last year 1,500 gift packages and £4,300 in gift cards were provided to trusted local charities and organisations.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project fits with the key theme of access to services.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of Spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Large storage for Christmas	£2,000	£2,000
Insurance for Christmas unit	£500	£500
Storage for the rest of the year	£1,700	£1,700
Insurance for the rest of the year	£300	£300
Gift card fund	£2,000	£2,000
Toys, Easter eggs, Halloween costumes	£2,000	£2,000

9. About The Organisation

Renfrewshire Christmas Toy Bank is a constituted group that was established in 2019 and has 15 volunteers and 3 members.

The organisations aim is to provide underprivileged children and young people in Renfrewshire with new and safe toys, gifts and gift cards. Providing this, takes away some financial burden from families and contributes to creating equality. Allowing children to have the same quality of gifts as their peers and learn through play and creativity.

10. Grant Funding Award History

2019/20 – Local Partnership funding of £1,500 used for Braehead gift cards for teenagers.

- 1. Reference FR1135
- 2. Project Name Engaging with Two Royal Conservatoire of Scotland Students
- 3. Organisation Name Kilbarchan Singers
- 4. Amount Applied For £1,505

5. Description Of Project

To provide an opportunity for young music students from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland to participate in singing with a choir of varying ages and abilities. To develop the singing prowess of this long-established choir and its members by the participation of young students who are coached to degree level. To enhance the relationship of the villages within Renfrewshire by encouraging residents to attend events and hear live music of a variety of styles. To further encourage the engagement of local charities by offering a musical experience for their patients/clients whose lives are proving difficult at this time.

This will be done by providing an honoraria payment for two students plus a number of free community tickets for a concert. As a result of Covid-19, the project will now run from January to May 2021

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Children, young people and older people benefit from education, learning and health and wellbeing opportunities through the project.

The participation of young student singers, both in rehearsals and performances has allowed choir members to learn from students. Students gain additional skills by engaging with choir members of all areas and experience.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project fits with the priority of Village identity and character

8. Breakdown of Costs

Honoraria for students, additional music and tickets for charity - £1,505

9. About The Organisation

Kilbarchan Singers is a charity established in 1982. It provides a vehicle for the wider community to participate in singing and appreciate choral music. Kilbarchan Singers has two part-time employees.

10. Grant Funding Award History

2019/20 £1,442 (Local Partnership honoraria for one student plus concessionary tickets for a local charity)

2018/19 £1,000 (Local Area Committee honoraria for one student)

2017/18 £2,000 (Local Area Committee honoraria for one student)

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- 1. Reference FR1136
- 2. Project Name Running Costs
- 3. Organisation Name Bridge of Weir Elderly Forum
- 4. Amount Applied For £1,000

5. Description Of Project

Reduce running costs so that high membership fees don't have to be charged to pay for speakers and catering at meetings.

Attract new members and provide speakers/entertainment and also provide information, continued attendance at meetings and increase in membership.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Older people in Bridge of Weir over the age of 55.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

Connectivity and transport

8. Breakdown of Costs

Rent for halls, secretary expenses, speakers/entertainment, catering, Coach to Christmas dinner - £1,000

9. About The Organisation

Bridge of Weir Elderly Forum aims to safeguard and promote the interests of the elderly in the Bridge of Weir area who are over 55 years of age.

It is an unincorporated club, established 1995 and currently has 12 volunteers and 35 members.

10. Grant Funding Award History

2019/20 £1,000 (Local partnership – running costs)

2018/19 £1,500 (Local Area Committee – running costs and laptop)

2017/18 £700 (Local area committee – running costs)

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1. Reference FR1137

2. Project Name Rays of Hope 2020 Vision Project

- 3. Organisation Name Rays of Hope
- 4. Amount Applied For £9,400

5. Description Of Project

To continue to help those affected by cancer and develop new ways to improve their quality of life through physical/mental health and wellbeing. We encourage members to take part in activities provided including seven exercise classes, creative writing, cooking, art, walking, crafts, knitting, holistic therapies or choir. Members are encouraged to be involved with the Hope Course or if needed have one to one assistance with our psychotherapist. Activities alleviate loneliness and isolation and fear of cancer returning.

Membership has doubled in the last year and planning permission has ben received for a new extension. This will provide an additional hall and a room for holistic therapies and provide an opportunity to help more people with cancer, as we are currently at full capacity.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

People experiencing/recovering from cancer.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

Access to services, facilities and assets.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Choir Director £2,400

Promotion £1,500

3 x Hope Cancer sessions £1,000

Respite break £2,500

Massage table £500

Crafts £500

20 chairs £1,000

9. About The Organisation

Rays of Hope is a cancer support group (the only one of its kind in Renfrewshire) and our aim is to help everyone that comes through our doors with a cancer diagnosis. We promote improved health and wellbeing by encouraging members to participate in any of our varied activities including 5 different exercise classes. We also provide several other activities to help both Emotional and Physical Wellbeing, helping to build confidence and

self-esteem.

Rays of Hope was established as a community outreach project run by East Gate church and is constituted as a charity.

It has one part-time employee, 26 volunteers, 138 members.

Rays of Hope was awarded ROCCO Community Champion award in November 2019 by Renfrewshire Chamber of Commerce and Provosts Community Champion Award in March 2020.

10. Grant Funding Award History

2019/20 £5,995 (£4,495 from Local Partnership for Instructors fees; £1,500 from Social Work section 10 for Hope courses set up and Hope Boxes)

2018/19 £5,820 (Local Area Committee – Hall lets, Instructor fees, promotional material)

2017/18 £4,720 (Local Area Committee – Hall let, Instructors fees)

1.	L. Reference FR1141		
2.	Project Name	Fest! Free Summer Community Activities	
3.	Organisation Name	PACE Theatre Company Limited	
4.	Amount Applied Fo	r	
	£3,899 from Village	s Local Partnership (£29,800 from six Local partnerships towards a	
	total project cost of	£31,400).	

5. Description Of Project

PACE Community Outreach

To provide the significant benefits of the PACE youth theatre and holiday activity experiences to young people with a genuine interest in drama and the performing arts, but who find themselves in financially challenging circumstances which would prevent them from joining or taking part in activities, or who cannot travel to Paisley town centre to take part.

The proposal is to deliver 8 projects within 6 of the local partnership areas throughout the summer school holidays. There will be 8 separate performances created across Renfrewshire, all of which will be rehearsed and performed in local community centres. Our aim is to generate vibrant and creative activity in community halls and hubs and to improve access to participation in each area.

One experienced theatre director from PACE would lead on the project, supported by two trainee practitioners. The team would work within each area (suggested level ages 8-11) for 4 days (5-hour session per day) to devise a unique, community inspired performance. Rehearsals will take place in local community centres which will hopefully alleviate travel barriers for young people wishing to take part. We would also like to be able to offer every participant a packed lunch for each day of the project.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Young people aged 8-11 will benefit from the project. There will be an increase in the number of young people engaged in creative activity across Renfrewshire, inspiring people to see the benefit of arts participation.

Young people will be connected with their peers and be actively involved in the process of devising and creating theatre. Bringing young people together is key to tackling social isolation and promoting health and wellbeing across Renfrewshire. Rehearsing and performing in local community centres will maximise the use of community assets and buildings.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project fits with the key theme of Access to Services

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of Spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested

Project Manager (PACE in kind)	£1,600	£0
Community Venue Hire	£2,880	£2,880
Directors	£3,360	£3,360
Assistant Trainees	£2,016	£2,016
Musical Director	£1,200	£1,200
Technical Support	£1,600	£1,600
Production Costs	£1,200	£1,200
Staff Travel	£480	£480
Admin	£1,200	£1,200
Travel Bursary Pot	£600	£600
Lunches for Participants	£1,200	£1,200
PACE Bursaries (one year) x 32	£14,304	£14,304

PACE Theatre Company Ltd was established in 1988. It has 9 full time employees, 4 part time employees, 180 volunteers and 1,025 members. The aim of the organisation is to help young people realise their creative potential, by increasing confidence, communication, self-expression and performance skills, through drama, music and performing arts workshops.

10. Grant Funding Award History

2019/20 Cultural Organisation Development Funding Year 1 -£26,680 used for a Fundraising Manager and Engagement Co-ordinator.

2018/19 – Culture, Heritage and Events Funding - £14,890 for a Limitless SIMD Schools project.

Culture, Heritage and Events Funding - £13,900 used for Rep Company

2017/18 – Local Area Committee - £2,614 used for Youth Theatre bursaries

- Leisure Grant - £4,000 used for Youth Theatre Provision per Service Level Agreement

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- **2. Project Name** Christmas Light Switch On, Carol Singing by Local School and Firework Display
- 3. Organisation Name Houston Community Council
- 4. Amount Applied For £3,650
- 5. Description Of Project
- 1. To enhance the appearance of Houston village during the Christmas period.
- 2. To foster community spirit and a sense of pride in the village.
- 3. To engage children and schools in the project by repeating the highly successful competitions for local schoolchildren to design a Christmas light motif, with the winning entries from each school having their design fabricated and displayed in the village centre.
- 4. To add to social cohesion in the village by means of item 3 above and by repeating and further developing the joint carol singing event with our two primary schools.
- 4. To add to the celebratory nature of the switch-on event by rounding off with a firework display.
- 5. To enhance local trade by attracting visitors to the village

The project will provide additional Christmas light motifs designed by local schoolchildren, with the winners of the competitions in each school having their designs fabricated by the manufacturers and displayed in the village centre. The winning children will jointly switch on the Christmas lights on the evening of Sunday 29th November 2020.

Christmas themed window illuminations, created by Gryffe High School art students, installed within Carrick Centre, Village Hall and Church Hall (refer to Winter Wanderland website for further details https://www.windowwanderland.com/)

Over 2,000 people attended the switch-on event last year, with many messages of support on Facebook.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Local people, especially young people, local traders.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

Village identity and character

8. Breakdown of Costs

Children's Christmas Motif Competition £1,500

Window Wanderland £400

Materials £750

Firework Display	£1,000
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Community Council

10. Grant Funding Award History

2019/20 £7,575

(Local Partnership - £3,900, Christmas Lights switch on

Festive Events Fund - £1,675, Christmas Lights Switch-On

Local Partnership -£2,000, Flower planting programme)

2018/19 £19,123

(Local Area Committee - £7,500, Christmas Lights

Local Area Committee - £7,500, Flower Planting

Local Area Committee - £4,123, Hydro Scheme Feasibility)

2017/18 £10,000

(Local Area Committee - £5,000, Christmas Lights

Local Area Committee - £5,000 Flower Planting)

1. Reference FR1163

2. Project Name Improving Our School Playground

- 3. Organisation Name Lochwinnoch Primary School Parent Council
- 4. Amount Applied For £9,932

5. Description Of Project

Since the original application, members of the parent council, teaching staff and the wider parent community have come together on several working days to improve the playground. The core vision of this application therefore has changed to focus on play equipment and working with community groups to support developing and improving the growing area at the school.

This is a project called the LPS Community Growing Hub. This is a partnership project between Lochwinnoch Primary School (LPS), Lochwinnoch Community Garden and the village's Diggin' It project, which was created during the pandemic. This space would also support Lochwinnoch's Community Larder project, created during the pandemic, to provide fresh, locally grown produce to those in need.

This project would include a polytunnel which would be used as an outdoor learning area, as well as space for pupils and the wider community to grow their own fruit and vegetables. The amended application includes £1,500 which is match funding for an application to the Central Scotland Green Network (pending).

The parent council has raised money via our GoFundMe page which we would put towards the cost of the climbing frame, bark material, surrounds and removal of spoil from the site. (https://www.gofundme.com/f/team-playground)

Orangutan climbing frame £4,679 (from www.scotplay.co.uk)

Timber Edge for Bark Pit, Woodchip, Carriage and removal of spoil from site £4,053

Match funding for the LPS Community Growing Hub £1,500

(minus £300 raised from Parent Council Funds)

Total: £9,932

The project will:

Extend the school's links with the wider community including local childminders, out of school care, Forest View School, and our current partnership with Riverbrae School.

Give children in a rural area access to high quality play equipment.

Reduce confrontation in the school by having more areas available for play.

Improve children's mental health by increasing outdoor time.

Introduce different areas for children with visible and invisible disabilities.

Develop pupils' pride in their playground, reducing the risk of vandalising and litter.

The playground to become a useful and well used facility and make the school widely used by all in the village.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Children in Lochwinnoch Primary School and Riverbrae Primary School and also the wider community of Lochwinnoch

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

Access to services, facilities and assets

8. Breakdown of Costs

Orangutan climbing frame £4,679

Timber Edge for Bark Pit, Woodchip, Carriage and removal of spoil from site £4,053

Match funding for the LPS Community Growing Hub £1,500

(minus £300 raised from Parent Council Funds)

9. About The Organisation

The purpose of the Parent Council is:

To enhance the education of the children by working alongside the school to provide extra funding and support where required.

To help the school maintain its place at the heart of the community.

The Parent Council has 10-12 volunteers.

Unincorporated association, established more than 10 years

10. Grant Funding Award History

None

- 1. Reference FR1172
- 2. Project Name Renfrewshire Accessibility Project
- 3. Organisation Name Renfrewshire Access Panel
- 4. Amount Applied For

£2,239.32 (same amount applied for from other six Local Partnerships)

5. Description of Project

The purpose of the Grant is to assist the Local Partnership meet the objectives they have set out for this year. This project will enable all members of the community to access all the services they require and enjoy the benefits of facilities in the local partnership. Our main priority is the disabled community but ensuring that the area is suitable for them, we include other age groups such as the elderly, children learning to walk and even people with sports injuries and so many more. Renfrewshire Access Panel would like to ensure that everyone in the community is included to reduce isolation and loneliness. We would also like to ensure that the members of the local partnership are able to read and interpret plans for future meetings so that the best possible changes are made to any renovation or new build in the community ensuring all the current buildings and venues are used to their full potential.

The need for the project has been established by the concerns of the Local Area Partnership and we will assist in any way we can to ensure safe travel for everyone. We will assist with sourcing accessible play equipment for all children and auditing the parks, pavements and roads for any repairs. We also provide work experience for children from mainstream and additional needs schools as well as adults returning to work by providing volunteering opportunities for them. We have also identified that a lot of the disabled community have little or no access to technology which we can provide training for and we will provide this training for any member of the community.

We will provide access audits/surveys to ensure spaces are safe and meet the requirements for accessibility ensuring they are safe to walk/wheel on by working with Renfrewshire Council to ensure roads and pavements are repaired. We will also provide advice on the best accessible play equipment for unused green spaces to ensure disabled children can play safely and interact with other children. We will provide training and work experience for both children and adults on technology along other training courses we provide and offer volunteering opportunities for anyone in the community. We will continue to work with transport providers to ensure the best possible service can be obtained.

We would also like to offer training to the Local Area Partnership on reading and interpreting plans to ensure everyone is fully aware of the process and implications.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Disabled community, elderly, children learning to walk, people with sports injuries.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

Access to services, facilities and assets

8. Breakdown of Costs

(Full costs across 7 Local Partnership areas)

Office Rental £3,899.99

Phone Line £1,254.71

Mobile Phone £268.62

Accountancy Fees £1,300

Insurance £1,400

Printing/Stationery £3,544.54

Office Peripherals £1,007.39

Volunteer Expenses £1,007.39

9. About The Organisation

Charity, established 1995

10. Grant Funding Award History

2019/20 £2,000

2018/19 £7,758

2017/18 £3,382.40

- 1. Reference FR1175
- **2. Project Name** Lamont Farm Project
- 3. Organisation Name Lamont Farm Project
- 4. Amount Applied For £4,000
- 5. Description Of Project

Lamont Farm educates and provide hands on animal care and welfare facilities to the local community and surrounding areas.

The farm has many social connections to help promote mental health, wellbeing and to help lessen isolation. Animals are a great source of therapy and have a great ability to bring many different people together some people prefer being round the animals as a gentle way of reintroducing them into the community. Some of the connections we have are RAMH, spark of genius, community service, West college Scotland's adults with addition needs and kibble we believe everyone should have the chance to be involved in their community. These connections help provide placements for anyone suffering mental health issues, physical disabilities, someone who has been out of the community, anyone who is looking to get back into work or anyone who just wants to volunteer, it's a placement where everyone is included in every aspect of the farm with no judgement. We offer work experience placements to many different high schools throughout Renfrewshire and beyond, we have had many successful work experience placements with students from Gryffe high school. The work experienced placements are invaluable to pupils wishing to pursue a career in the animal sector as not many places allow under 16's to work so closely with such a variety of animals, in recent years our volunteers have went on to become fully qualified veterinary nurses.

The farm is working with a local artist by providing a disused area of the farm to build a free and legal graffiti wall, this was established to encourage more youths to use the wall rather than putting graffiti around their local areas. The hope is this wall will help to reduce the vandalism in many areas by providing something different for everyone to try. The local artist will hold regular demonstrations and the idea is proving to be popular amongst the local and surrounding communities being supported by local newspapers the paisley express and the gazette.

We regularly litter pick the pathways clearing the glass, dog mess and litter to ensure safety to the public using these paths and for any wildlife. We have had extra cctv installed after the farm itself was vandalised using graffiti this has helped reduce vandalism in the immediate area.

We regularly attend local events with our animals including Lilias day in Kilbarchan. Lamont Farm has been a part of the local community for 43 years and was the first city farm in Scotland. As Gorgi farm in Edinburgh was recently forced to close due to lack of funding, and both of the pet's corners at Barshaw Park and Robertson Park have had to close (we were fortunately able to offer several of the animals a new home from both of these facilities) we are now the only venue of this type left.

With the effects of Covid-19 it is more critical than ever that we receive funding from all possible sources. Due to the nature of our project and the contact with the public we had to make the difficult decision to close mid-March, even before an official lockdown was announced, to minimise any risk to either the public or to our volunteers. We had to cease all activities with our Kids Clubs (junior volunteers) and reduce any volunteering from adults to a bare minimum of one volunteer plus a member of management each day, with these adults working at a social distance throughout the time.

We were closed for 15 weeks, losing an average donation of £150 per week or more, as the spring and summer months generally are our busiest months, especially at the weekends. Even now, although we have been able to reopen, we have had to keep two days closure to allow for a deep clean, to ensure the maximum safety of all volunteers and visitors. Normally the donations would have increased during these times due to school and nursery summer holidays, but we feel that safety is of the utmost importance. Also there have been increased costs incurred, as disinfecting has been increased and PPE for volunteers has been purchased.

Now that we have reopened, we are receiving very positive feedback in that we are providing a safe place and activity for people far and wide to assist them firstly venturing away from home and also to increasing the possibilities of children being able to have contact with animals and other children without having to fear contracting Covid-19. We are providing an affordable day out for families (no entry fee) to allow anyone who may be struggling through or after furlough or after redundancy due to Coronavirus.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Children and young people. People benefiting from work experience at the farm

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

Access To Services, Facilities and Access

8. Breakdown of Costs

Ongoing running costs £4,000

9. About The Organisation

Lamont Farm is a Charity, founded in 1977. Lamont farm was founded by a group of individuals in March 1977 with a strong desire to establish a local education and community facility. We were the first City Farm in Scotland and the farm is very popular with families, nurseries and disabled groups as well as local schools. Around 10,000 people visit Lamont Farm annually.

The aim of Lamont Farm is to educate and provide hands on animal care and welfare facilities to the local community and surrounding areas. Lamont Farm offers a wide variety of services to various groups and organisations within the local area and further afield, work experience placements are provided to jobcentres, high schools, community service, kibble project and many more.

The farm provides hands on experience for over 40 children who wish to pursue a career in animal care and veterinary practice, educational workshops are ran throughout the year for primary schools, nurseries and visitors.

10. Grant Funding Award History

2019/20 £6,000 (Local Partnership, running costs)

2018/19 £8,000 (Local Area Committee, running costs)

2017/18 £8,000 (Local Area Committee, running costs)

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- 11. Reference FR1186
- **12. Project Name** Increased rental costs (August 2020 to June 2021)
- 13. Organisation Name Lochwinnoch Toddlers Group
- 14. Amount Applied For £1,755

15. Description of Project

Support to pay for the rental of an alternative venue to the McKillop Hall on two mornings per week during term time.

McKillop Hall will be closed for electrical works from June 2020 for a year. We need to secure alternative accommodation for the group so that it can continue to operate and support young children and their parents and carers with a place to come together, play and develop.

Lochbarr Leisure have quoted £20 per hour rental, which is the lowest fee they can charge to cover heating and staff costs. This would mean an increase in our rental costs from £26 per week to £80 per week which is not sustainable for our group.

16. Who Benefits From The Project?

Toddlers who attend the group and their parents or carers.

17. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project fits with the Villages priority of access to services.

18. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Hall rental	£2,600	£1,755

19. About The Organisation

Lochwinnoch Toddlers Group has been a voluntary group operating for over 40 years. It was constituted as an unincorporated group in 1993 and has 8 volunteers.

The aims of the Group are to provide, in the interests of social welfare, a good environment for babies and children up to the age of five by providing parents/carers with a means of alleviation of stress by mutual support when such support is not readily available from within the community. To provide play facilities and experiences for the children.

20. Grant Funding Award History

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	N/A		
2018/19	Pre 5 Voluntary sector grant	£500	
2017/18	Pre 5 Voluntary sector grant	£500	

1. Reference FR1187

- **2. Project Name** Continued revitalisation of provision of facilities for the community of Kilbarchan
- 3. Organisation Name Kilbarchan Improvement Projects
- 4. Amount Applied For £4,070

5. Description Of Project

Development of a community garden in the area behind the café which could be considered a wilderness. Local Tradespeople and others have volunteered to assist with the project free of charge. It is hoped this would enhance the centre supporting an increase in activities, hopefully to include dementia friendly centre afternoon sessions and potentially supporting Bookbug sessions. Any increased income would support the sustainability of the centre.

Possible employment of another part-time worker who would greatly assist in the administration of the centre as well as helping to keep finances in order. Present treasurer resigned 31 March 2020 after 20 years. This would allow more activities to be supported in the centre.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Residents of Kilbarchan, particularly people affected by dementia, older people and families.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

Access to services, facilities and assets

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount
		Requested
Bark, hard edging and ground covering	£670	£670
Plants (costed from nursery to include perennials	£650	£650
and seasonal)		
Locked storage facility and outside tap	£250	£250
Part time worker	£2,500	£2,500

Applications for £1,000 each have also been submitted to the Flightpath, the Weir Trust, Scottish Government Investing in Communities fund, Baillie Gifford Community Foundation and Wesley Foundation Scotland.

Charity with 1 part time employee and 15 volunteers, estimating that around 500 people per year take part in activities. It was established in 2001 and aims to:

- Advance formal, social and recreational education
- Advance citizenship, community development, arts, heritage, culture, science and environmental protection
- Provide relief for those in need, whether because of age, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantages.

10. Grant Funding Award History

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	Villages Investment Fund	£22,000	Refurbishment of building (ongoing)
2018/19			
2017/18	LAC	£2,760	Replacement of double- glazed windows

1	Reference	FR1189

- **2. Project Name** Laptop, Printer and Laminator
- 3. Organisation Name 1st Elderslie Girls Brigade
- 4. Amount Applied For £539

5. Description Of Project

To replace a very old laptop with a new laptop and to enable printing and laminating for the use of the company. A decent laptop with Office365 is required in order to share documents with GB Scotland and with other officers. This will reduce postal fees and make the running of the company much smoother. Ongoing costs will come from fundraising within the company.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Girls Brigade officers and members

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This could contribute to improving access to services, facilities and assets.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Laptop	£379	£379
Office 365	£80	£80
Printer	£50	£50
Laminator	£30	£30

9. About The Organisation

Charity established in 1903. Currently it has 85 members and 19 volunteers.

The Girls' Brigade in Scotland is an autonomous member of a worldwide organisation for girls and young women working within a framework of Christian principles. We are a voluntary group encouraging girls to look at their place in the wider community.

10. Grant Funding Award History

None

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- 1. Reference FR1190
- **2. Project Name** Transport For Moffat Weekend, March 2021
- 3. Organisation Name 1st Elderslie Girls Brigade
- 4. Amount Applied For £500

5. Description Of Project

Every year we take over 50 girls down to Moffat for a weekend of bonding, celebration and fun. The aim is to bring the company closer and to create lifelong bonds for the girls. We feel having friends for life is an important part of people's lives and weekends like this create an environment where these can flourish.

Due to the austere financial climate, some of our girls simply cannot afford the price we charge to cover costs. We feel more girls would benefit if we could subsidise these trips and allow girls from less affluent families to attend. If we could pay for the bus it would reduce the cost impact to the girls and we feel those that benefit most from a weekend away would be in a better position to attend without a massive relative cost to these families.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Girls Brigade members

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

It could contribute to improving Transport and Connectivity.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Bus Hire	£500	£500

Total project cost is listed as £2,200

9. About The Organisation

Charity established in 1903. Currently it has 85 members and 19 volunteers.

The Girls' Brigade in Scotland is an autonomous member of a worldwide organisation for girls and young women working within a framework of Christian principles. We are a voluntary group encouraging girls to look at their place in the wider community.

10. Grant Funding Award History

None

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1.	Reference	FR1191
2. Project Name Makerspace: Connecting Communities		
3.	Organisation Name	Y.M.C.A Paisley
4. Amount Applied For £1,196 (£5,980 applied for in total from Paisley East, Gleniffer,		
Johnstone & Linwood and Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank Local Partnerships.)		

5. Description Of Project

The project will take place between 4th May 2020 and 19th March 2021 (46 weeks).

The purpose of this project is to open up our Makerspace to adult community groups across Renfrewshire. We are the only Digital Makerspace in the West of Scotland and we believe that everyone should be able to access digital technology and have an opportunity to learn new skills.

We have previously hosted digital activity sessions with Roar (Men's Shed) and their feedback was very positive.

We also gained positive feedback from when we hosted our 'Tea & Tablets' group - this was an intergenerational project where older adults came along to a group to receive advice and tutoring on how to use their smart phones and tablets in ways that would enhance their lives e.g. YouTube videos, skype, facetime, online shopping.

Due to this positive feedback and many requests were receive asking if adults can use the Makerspace, we developed this project.

We will host adult community groups from across Renfrewshire one afternoon per week.

We will connect with Community Groups and let them know about what activities we can offer and what types of workshops we can facilitate with their members. We will do this by promoting the project on social media and via our third sector interface (Engage Renfrewshire) and we can also go along to speak to the groups.

We can offer the following activities 3D Printing Workshop, Laser Design and Cutting, Digital Animation, Coding, Music Technology, T-shirt Design and Printing, Digital Media.

We will also be happy to work with groups to create tailor made workshops to suit their requirements/interests.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Local community groups across Renfrewshire and its members will benefit from the project because it is anticipated that adults and older adults within the community will Learn new skills, Create something using digital technology, Make new connections/friendships, Have improved mental health and wellbeing, Increase confidence, Find a new hobby/passion/interest, feel included and listened to (person centred workshops) through this project.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project should support the priority of Access to Services, Facilities and Assets through

providing Makerspace.

8. Breakdown of Costs

The total cost of the project is £30,980. The group is applying for £5,980 shared across 5 Local Partnerships.

The rest of the project costs will be balanced by group's secured own funds.

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
2 x Digital Youth Workers @ £10	£3,680	£3,680
p/h x 4 hours x 46 weeks		
Rental Cost of Building £25 per	£2,300	£2,300
hour x 2 hours x 46 weeks		
Makerspace Equipment available for use - 3D	£25,000	Nil
Printer, Laser Cutter, Vinyl Cutter, Heat Press,		
Digital Media, Equipment, VR Equipment,		
Computing Equipment, Music Technology		
Equipment		

9. About The Organisation

YMCA Paisley is an unincorporated club with a charitable status. It was established in 1832.

YMCA Paisley is committed to the aims and purposes of the worldwide YMCA.

It aims to provide a meeting place "safe haven" which belongs to the community and allows them to develop activities that stimulate and challenge them in an environment that enables them to take responsibility and find a sense of achievement.

The group has 3 full time and 5 part time employees as well as 10 volunteers and 190 members –

The	Grant name	Amount	Used for
Celebrating			
Renfrewshire			
Funding has			
been			
allocated to			
the group,			
however the			
Council is			
still waiting			
on signed			
undertakings			

from the group in order to release this funding.			
2019/20	Celebrating Renfrewshire Fund	£3,000	Youth Club Activity
2018/19			
2017/18	Education Category C	£3,000	Salaries & Administration
	LAC Youth Challenge	£8,468	Makerspace Paisley
	Fund		

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1.	Reference	FR1193
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- **2. Project Name** Elderslie Railway Station
- 3. Organisation Name Elderslie Community Council
- 4. Amount Applied For £1,400

5. Description Of Project

To bring life back to the old railway station on Main Road. Currently it is an eyesore so we would like to spruce it up and make it more of a beauty spot and bring back memories of days gone by.

We asked our villagers for ideas for projects and this was high on the list. Many villagers feel this is an area we could focus on to make the village more attractive. Many people drive through the village from Johnstone to Paisley and don't even recognise Elderslie as a village, so we want to make it more identifiable to the commuters. We have spoken to a local artist to put in a mural on the brickwork and we will get the railings painted. We will install a retro railway station sign. We will then make flower beds from the current weedy area next to the brickwork to make it reminiscent of days gone by

As mentioned above, install a sign, paint the railings, install flower beds, have a mural painted by a local artist.

Commuters will start to realise that they are in Elderslie Village and not just one the B789 to Johnstone or Paisley. Villagers will have more pride in the village and hopefully this will bring more business into the area.

We think this will bring more visitors to the village, we know it will bring pride to the villagers.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Residents and people visiting or passing through Elderslie

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project will support the priority of building Village Identity and Character

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Railway sign	£100	£100
Railway painting and sign	£300	£300
Mural painting	£1,000	£1,000

9. About The Organisation

Community Council established in 1975 with 28 volunteers and 11 members. It aims to promote the village in a positive way and bring the community together through community and events.

Acting in/on the interests, and concerns, raised by those residing with the CC boundary.

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	Grant name	Amount	Used for	
2019/20	LP	£250	Dog waste posts	
	LP	£674	Christmas Fayre	
	LP	£1500	Summer Fayre	
	Green Spaces	£1700	Dog waste posts	
	General Fund	£2000	Christmas Fayre	
	Villages Investment Fund	£50000	Queens Park Fund	
2018/19	LAC	£1500	Summer Fayre	
		£1500	Christmas Fayre	
		£9000	Christmas Lights	

- 1. Reference FR1194
- 2. Project Name Elderslie Christmas Light Switch On and Fair
- 3. Organisation Name Elderslie Community Council
- 4. Amount Applied For £1,100

5. Description Of Project

To continue our success in hosting a Fayre with tea/coffee and cakes alongside stall holders in the Village Hall to celebrate the Christmas Lights switch on and bring the village together. This year we are hoping to once again have multiple venues for people to move about. Kids craft tables and tea and coffee in East Gate church and the Railway Club in the Scouts hut.

Year on year the attendance at this event has grown. We are now lucky enough to have our own PA System and decorations for the Grotto which always has a queue from the moment the door opens right up to closing with the choir and lights. It has become an integral part of the village and we get very many positive comments about the event throughout the year.

We will have a choir from Wallace and St Anthony's which is always brilliant. Santa has once again agreed to make an appearance to give out free presents to each and every child who pops in to say hello. We have regular stall holders who bring their own bit of Christmas sparkle along to the event and each one gives us a donation for the raffle to raise funds for Queens Road.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Children and residents of Elderslie

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project will support the priority of building Village Identity and Character

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Village Hall Hire	£300	£300
Decorations, Banners, Selection Boxes	£800	£800

9. About The Organisation

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	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	LP	£250	Dog waste posts
	LP	£674	Christmas Fayre
	LP	£1500	Summer Fayre
	Green Spaces	£1700	Dog waste posts
	General Fund	£2000	Christmas Fayre
	Villages Investment Fund	£50000	Queens Park Fund
2018/19	LAC	£1500	Summer Fayre
		£1500	Christmas Fayre
		£9000	Christmas Lights

- 1. Reference FR1196
- 2. Project Name Seating at Dunvegan Avenue
- 3. Organisation Name Elderslie Community Council
- 4. Amount Applied For £700

5. Description Of Project

To install seating at Dunvegan Avenue. As our population ages we need more facilities for the older members of our village. We asked our villagers for ideas for projects and this was top of the list in this remote area of the village. We have a small park here, so it was the natural place to out some seating in. Villagers up in this area will have somewhere to take in the view, watch the children playing, take a rest and, hopefully, socialise. This will motivate mobility and social interaction.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Older people and other residents

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project will support the priority of Environment and Parks by improving the street scene for residents.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Bench	£575	£575
Installation	£125	£125

9. About The Organisation

Community Council established in 1975 with 28 volunteers and 11 members.

It aims to promote the village in a positive way and bring the community together through community and events. Acting in/on the interests, and concerns, raised by those residing with the CC boundary.

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	LP	£250	Dog waste posts
	LP	£674	Christmas Fayre
	LP	£1500	Summer Fayre
	Green Spaces	£1700	Dog waste posts

	General Fund	£2000	Christmas Fayre
	Villages Investment Fund	£50000	Queens Park Fund
2018/19	LAC	£1500	Summer Fayre
		£1500	Christmas Fayre
		£9000	Christmas Lights

- 1. Reference FR1197
- **2. Project Name** Picnic Area Main Road
- **3. Organisation Name** Elderslie Community Council
- 4. Amount Applied For £6,756

5. Description Of Project

We asked our villagers for ideas for projects and this was very high on the list. Many villagers feel this is an area we could focus on to make the village more attractive. We are fortunate to have the National Cycle Network running through the village which covers both the Lochwinnoch Loop Line and the Paisley & Clyde Railway Path. This results in many cyclists passing through the village. The terrain of the path means that there is a steep incline from both directions that lead to a grassed area next to Main Road with fantastic views over to Ben Lomond. We would like to make this natural beauty area both more useful to the cyclists coming through the village and for the villagers themselves.

We will procure 2 picnic benches with benches and 2 standalone benches and have them installed. Further we will procure a bike stand so that people have somewhere to park their bikes whilst relaxing and enjoying the view. We will also install a bin, something the area needs as there are none on the Cycle Path.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Residents and cyclists passing through.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project will support the priority area of Environment and Parks by improving facilities and the street scene. It should also support connectivity of the villages by supporting the cycle network between them.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
2 picnic tables/ seating	£1,890	£1,890
2 benches	£1,366	£1,366
Rack for 10 bikes	£200	£200
Bin	£800	£800
Installation	£2,500	£2,500

9. About The Organisation

Community Council established in 1975 with 28 volunteers and 11 members.

It aims to promote the village in a positive way and bring the community together through community and events. Acting in/on the interests, and concerns, raised by those residing with the CC boundary.

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	LP	£250	Dog waste posts
	LP	£674	Christmas Fayre
	LP	£1500	Summer Fayre
	Green Spaces	£1700	Dog waste posts
	General Fund	£2000	Christmas Fayre
	Villages Investment Fund	£50000	Queens Park Fund
2018/19	LAC	£1500	Summer Fayre
		£1500	Christmas Fayre
		£9000	Christmas Lights

- 1. Reference FR1198
- **2. Project Name** Picnic Bench Stoddard Square
- 3. Organisation Name Elderslie Community Council
- 4. Amount Applied For £1,145

5. Description of Project

To install fixed seating with a table in Stoddard Square.

We asked our villagers for ideas for projects and this was high on the list. Many villagers feel this is an area we could focus on to make the village more attractive. The square is very well attended as it is the main area for shopping in the village. We are very fortunate to have a very popular coffee shop there and they have their own seating during business hours. Outside their hours however, there is nowhere for people to gather and socialise. We think this will bring a better sense of community in the village.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Residents of Elderslie

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project will support the priority area of Environment and Parks by improving the street scene. It may also contribute to making the most of public assets.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Picnic Tables with Benches	£945	£945
Installation	£200	£200

9. About The Organisation

Community Council established in 1975 with 28 volunteers and 11 members.

It aims to promote the village in a positive way and bring the community together through community and events. Acting in/on the interests, and concerns, raised by those residing with the CC boundary.

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2019/20	LP	£250	Dog waste posts
	LP	£674	Christmas Fayre
	LP	£1500	Summer Fayre
	Green Spaces	£1700	Dog waste posts
	General Fund	£2000	Christmas Fayre
	Villages Investment Fund	£50000	Queens Park Fund
2018/19	LAC	£1500	Summer Fayre
		£1500	Christmas Fayre
		£9000	Christmas Lights

- 1. Reference FR 1199
- **2. Project Name** Secretary Laptop and Printer
- 3. Organisation Name Elderslie Community Council
- 4. Amount Applied For £500

5. Description of Project

This is to have a laptop and printer available for our newly appointed secretary. For the last 4+ years we haven't had a named secretary due to privacy issues with the CC rules. Now that these rules have been amended, we have a named secretary and we feel that getting a laptop and printer for her use would be extremely useful. We will research and buy a laptop/printer bundle that should last for at least 5 years. This will ensure that paperwork is done on time every month and no more panic about getting printed minutes and agendas ready in time for the monthly meetings. We can also use it for poster printing for events etc.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Elderslie Community Council members and secretary. Potentially wider residents also.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities N/A

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Laptop including software	£400	£400
Printer	£100	£100

9. About The Organisation

Community Council established in 1975 with 28 volunteers and 11 members.

It aims to promote the village in a positive way and bring the community together through community and events. Acting in/on the interests, and concerns, raised by those residing with the CC boundary.

	Grant name	Amount	Used for

2019/20	LP	£250	Dog waste posts
	LP	£674	Christmas Fayre
	LP	£1500	Summer Fayre
	Green Spaces	£1700	Dog waste posts
	General Fund	£2000	Christmas Fayre
	Villages Investment Fund	£50000	Queens Park Fund
2018/19	LAC	£1500	Summer Fayre
		£1500	Christmas Fayre
		£9000	Christmas Lights

1. Reference FR1200

- 2. Project Name Glenpatrick Pitches Goalpost Painting
- 3. Organisation Name Elderslie Community Council

4. Amount Applied For £235

5. Description of Project

Many kids play on the pitches at Glenpatrick Road during the summer months. We have had a few complaints about the state of the goalposts there and on inspection they need some treatment.

Painting the goalposts will mean that children can play without fear of rust falling and hitting them. This activity not only improves safety but will encourage more children onto the pitches to play. A quote has been obtained from a local handyman.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Children, families and others using Glenpatrick pitches

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project would support the priority area of Environment and Parks by enhancing and ensuring the continued use of this park facility.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
DM Handyman treating and painting costs	£235	£235

9. About The Organisation

Community Council established in 1975 with 28 volunteers and 11 members.

It aims to promote the village in a positive way and bring the community together through community and events. Acting in/on the interests, and concerns, raised by those residing with the CC boundary.

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	LP	£250	Dog waste posts
	LP	£674	Christmas Fayre

	LP	£1500	Summer Fayre
	Green Spaces	£1700	Dog waste posts
	General Fund	£2000	Christmas Fayre
	Villages Investment Fund	£50000	Queens Park Fund
2018/19	LAC	£1500	Summer Fayre
		£1500	Christmas Fayre
		£9000	Christmas Lights

1. Reference FR1206

- 2. Project Name Running Costs
- 3. Organisation Name Bridge of Weir Senior Citizens Association

4. Amount Applied For £1,500

5. Description of Project

To arrange and co-ordinate social, cultural, educational and recreational opportunities and activities of community benefit for the elderly, ensuring there are more activities in the village for the elderly. WE are trying to attract new members through providing good speakers and entertainment to bring elderly people living alone out the house. It is anticipated there will be increased attendance at meetings and at seasonal events.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Older people in Bridge of Weir

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project supports the priority of access to services, facilities and assets by supporting older people to access facilities.

It may also contribute to the priority area of connectivity and transport

8. Breakdown of Costs

(the balance of the running costs £500 will be met from raffle and membership fees)

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Running costs, secretary expenses, entertainment and catering	£1,500	£1,500

9. About The Organisation

Unincorporated club established in 2002. It has 10 volunteers and 40 members. They aim to alleviate isolation and promote the furtherance of social welfare and improve quality of life.

_	10. Grant Funding Award History				
		Grant name	Amount	Used for	
2	2019/20	LP	£899	Running costs	
2	2018/19	LAC	£2,000	Running costs and laptop	
2	2017/18	LAC	£1,500	Running costs	

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- 1. Reference FR1207
- 2. Project Name Assistance With Hall Rent
- 3. Organisation Name Lochwinnoch SWI
- 4. Amount Applied For £300

5. Description of Project

To fund hall rent to allow the money received from memberships, raffles and entry fees to be used to provide quality speakers/demonstrations on topics of interest. When the bulk of funds are used for hall rents, it doesn't leave any funding to secure interesting speakers and their expenses. There is currently a successful craft group, with the costs of materials covered by members. The group are keen to learn new skills. It is hoped to encourage new members.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Members, prospective members and guests of the SWI.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project will support the priority area of access to services, facilities and assets for members and guests.

It may also contribute to connectivity and transport.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Hall rent	£300	£300
(uncertainty over McKillop, so alternatives being sought)		

9. About The Organisation

Unincorporated club established in 1953, currently with 36 members. It aims to promote and encourage the continuation of community-based crafts, home skills, education, citizenship and the values of Scottish family life. To provide talks and demonstrations, of interest to our members and visitors, including topics such as gardening, travel, health and wellbeing and a platform for social interaction and opportunities to participate in events at Renfrewshire Federation and national level.

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	LP	£325	Assistance with hall rents
2018/19	LAC	£300	Hall rents
2017/18	LAC	£300	Hall rents

1.	Reference	FR1209
2.	Project Name	Purchase new equipment for dog agility training
3.	Organisation Name	Phoenix Flyers Dog Agility Club

4. Amount Applied For £570 from the Villages Local Partnership.

The group has applied for funding to all 7 Local Partnerships. They are applying for £3,985 in total across 7 Local Partnerships with £570 from each.

5. Description Of Project

We are the only agility club within Renfrewshire that has a permit to host kennel club shows and thus represent the West of Scotland within the greater dog agility community. The Kennel Club have introduced new standards for agility equipment to benefit canine health and safety. It is essential that we have equipment that meets these standards to host kennel club shows, maintain a safe training environment and provide affordable training to current and prospective members.

Last year, the Kennel club announced a new standard for several pieces of equipment to be introduced this year and next year, including jumps and the dog walk. For the health and wellbeing of the dogs, heights for the jumps and dog walk have been lowered. We require new equipment to meet these standards while keeping our fees affordable.

New equipment will allow us to host Kennel Club shows and train more safely. We will obtain quotes from agility suppliers for equipment that meets the new Kennel Club regulations. In addition, we will recruit local trade people to adjust our current equipment, thereby helping to keep our fees affordable and supporting local business.

An anticipated outcome for the project is that we can hold Kennel Club shows in September, thereby representing Renfrewshire within the greater dog agility community.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

The project will benefit dog agility community in Renfrewshire & Greater Glasgow.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

A fit with the Villages Local Partnership priorities is not clear.

8. Breakdown of Costs

The group has applied for funding to all 7 Local Partnerships. They are applying for £3,985 in total across 7 Local Partnerships with £570 from each.

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Aluminium dog walk	£1,350	£1,350
Aluminium A-frame	£1,200	£1,200
Adjustable height aluminium see-saw	£910	£910
Work to adjust heights on jumps	£525	£525

9. About The Organisation

The group was established in 2011 and has a charitable status.

Our members are primarily educated in dogs health and safety, basic dog obedience and hygiene for their particular pets as well as being encouraged to support the wider dog community by setting an example in aspects such as noise, dog fouling and general dog behaviour. Handlers are taught the skills of dog agility, which is an inclusive hobby that bridges all age groups.

As a hobby it benefits handlers by predominantly being an outdoor healthy activity that promotes companionship between members. There are also proven benefits of regular contact with dogs to the mental wellbeing of individuals.

The group has 25 members.

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	N/A		
2018/19	LAC	£2,571	Timing equipment
2017/18	LAC	£2,717	Full amount used to purchase lawn mower & port-a-loo

- 1. Reference FR1210
- 2. Project Name Lochwinnoch Art Group Regular Meetings
- 3. Organisation Name Lochwinnoch Art Group
- 4. Amount Applied For £450

5. Description of Project

Promotion and practice of artistic appreciation and performance, mainly drawing and painting. The group hires the use of a room in the McKillop Hall for fifteen sessions of two hours each. The group learn from each other and by mutual agreement from the occasional outside tutor. We have not held an exhibition in the last two or three years, but this would again be a possibility in the future. This is an opportunity to show work and encourage new interest and members in the group.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

Local residents and those interested in art, particularly drawing and painting.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project supports the priority area of Access to services, facilities and assets by providing community activities.

It may also contribute to building village identity and character through the exhibition.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Hall rent, 15 sessions	£569.25	£250
Tutor fees 3 @ £100	£300	£200

Balance met through funds in bank

9. About The Organisation

Unincorporated club established prior to 1983. It aims to promote the learning and practice of artistic work, particularly drawing and painting. It currently has 14 members.

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	LP	£400	Hall rent and tutor fees
2018/19	LAC	£499	

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- **2. Project Name** Advancing Shopmobility In Renfrewshire
- 3. Organisation Name Shopmobility, Paisley and District
- **4. Amount Applied For** £1,357 (£9,500 applied for in total, split across the 7 Local Partnerships)

5. Description of Project

Project is to ensure the sustainability of the mobility scooter and wheelchair service in Renfrewshire. The service provides access to a range of mobility aids to around 200 individuals tackling social isolation due to short- and long-term health issues. This supports residents to access facilities, appointments, shops and services.

The project will establish an in-house servicing centre for the range of 14 scooters, 3 manual wheelchairs and one high function power chair. It will also refurbish the front and back office creating an improved environment for clients and staff.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

People with short- and long-term health and mobility issues.

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project will support connectivity and transport through access to appropriate mobility equipment. It may also support access to services, facilities and assets, through providing a means to get to them.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Hand tools: basket, electric motor, Dc motor controller, tyres, ignition switch, hydraulic press, batteries etc.	£4,864	£4,864
Laptops, software, equipment	£929	£929
Branded uniforms, branded floor mats, paint and associated labour costs	£4,207	£4,207

The balance of funding (£500) will be funded by the organisation themselves.

9. About The Organisation

Local charity in the Paisley and District area established in 1995. It now has 200 members. The organisation aims to provide a first-class experience to ensure members have the best possible experience. They also market their service to ensure it reaches as many people as need it.

	Grant name	Amount	Used for

2019/20	LP	£4,500	Purchase of 5 new scooters
2018/19	LAC	£1,200	Insurance certificate

- 1. Reference FR1216
- 2. Project Name Johnstone Dementia Friendly Community Group
- 3. Organisation Name Johnstone Dementia Friendly Community Group
- 4. Amount Applied For £1418.50 (Total cost £2837 split with Johnstone & Linwood)
- 5. Description of Project (updated August 2020)
 Improve facilities for individuals living with dementia and their carers. Encouraging those living in isolation to take part in meaningful activities and social events organised by the group. Create a social network amongst those living with dementia and their carers. Educate all businesses for dementia awareness and needs. Campaigning to erase the stigma the illness brings.

Tables, Chairs, Table trolley, Chair trolley, Stacking chair trolley.

£2287.00 We have a written quotation if you require to see this.

Food and Hygiene training for three persons. £150.00

Administration, Public Liability Insurance, Paper, Printer Ink. £400.00

Due to the COVID-19 crisis we have amended our current aims. Our community group focuses on socialisation, which is obviously a difficult activity to cater for at present.

All our outings have been cancelled for the foreseeable future. However, part of our plans before the current crisis, was a weekly club in a local hall.

Taking social distancing into consideration, we are proposing to purchase 10×6 feet wide tables. These tables can take 10/12 persons; however, we would only have 2 couples at each table. This meets the current distance requirements. We would, depending on numbers, pick a suitable venue for distancing the tables.

Prior to lockdown, we had a meeting with the headmistress of St Anthony's Primary School Johnstone. She is very keen to become involved with our people and host a variety of social occasions. With this in mind and also our planned weekly get together, we have costed for tables and chairs and appropriate storage/trolley vehicles to move the tables and chairs to different venues.

Until social distancing is reduced to a much smaller distance, we intend to stick to the 2 metre. However hopefully by the end of this year, once we have everything in place, things may have changed

6.	Who	Benefits	From	The	Pro	iect?
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People with dementia and their carers

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

This project will support the priority of access to services, facilities and assets, particularly for those with dementia and their families. It should also support village identity and character.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Food hygiene training for three persons	£150	£150
Administration, includes insurance, paper, printing	£800	£800
Transportation	£4,830	£4,830

9. About The Organisation

Unincorporated club, established 2019. It aims to make Johnstone and surrounding areas Dementia Friendly. They create social events for people living with dementia and their carers to encourage socialisation, health and wellbeing.

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	LP	£2,600	Start-up costs
2018/19	N/A		

1.	Reference	FR 1217
2.	Project Name	Lochwinnoch Christmas lights display
3.	Organisation Name	Lochwinnoch Christmas Lights Society
4.	Amount Applied Fo	r £2.500

5. Description Of Project

The display switch on is planned for 5/12/20, with some adjustments to allow for social distancing etc.

To provide a Christmas lights display for Lochwinnoch, using existing street lighting and a projector. To bring together the whole community, young and old, and take part in the happy and festive atmosphere. The lamps at the Cenotaph have been widely praised and in use since November 2019. They appear to have given people a boost and encouraged people to have pride in the village. The projector has displayed a poppy over the last two Armistice Days.

The purpose is to enhance good will and community spirit by providing the best possible feel good atmosphere for a small rural community.

6. Who Benefits From The Project?

All residents of and visitors to Lochwinnoch

7. Fit With Local Partnership Priorities

The project will contribute to building village identity and character. It will also contribute to the Environment and Parks priority by improving the street scene.

8. Breakdown of Costs

Item of spend	Total Cost	Amount Requested
3 x projector bulbs (one for Christmas, one for Armistice Day and one spare)	£900	£900
Repair or replacement of faulty projector	£1000	£1000
Hire of marquee and purchase of event license (advised McKillop unavailable)	£600	£600
Event insurance	£175	0
Catering, Glo lights, admin and small costs	£350	0

Balance to be met from donations and banked funds

9. About The Organisation

The organisation is an unincorporated association and was established in 2016. It now has 10

volunteers and 3 members. The organisation aims to provide an annual display and switch on in Lochwinnoch. It promotes a cheerful and happy event for all members of the community and brings the community together. They also aim to extend the uses for the projector, such as Armistice Day, Lochwinnoch Arts Festival etc.

	Grant name	Amount	Used for
2019/20	LP	£899	Lamps, fitting and projector bulbs
2018/19	LAC	£2000	Purchase of lights
2017/18	LAC	£5000	Purchase of projector



Local Partnership Grant Funding

A guide to the grant funding available from Local Partnerships and how to apply



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Local Partnerships are a way for communities, elected members and public organisations to work together at a local level.

There are seven Local Partnerships in Renfrewshire, and they replaced Local Area Committees in 2018.

Each Local Partnership has agreed a set of Local Priorities, and each Partnership has grant funding they can allocate to support these priorities.

The aims of Local Partnerships are to:

- Make connections and networks between community groups and the wider community
- Identify, set and share local community priorities
- Listen to, consult and represent local communities
- Distribute grants to support local priorities

Grants available from Local Partnerships

The Local Partnerships consider applications and award grant funding that reflects their local priorities. The Local Partnerships look after grant funding streams that were previously overseen by Local Area Committees:

- the General Grant Fund;
- two Common Good Funds (Paisley Common Good and Renfrew Common Good); and
- the Youth Challenge Fund

It is strongly advised that organisations read this guidance before writing and submitting their applications.

You will find further information about each of these three funding streams and how to apply for them over the next few pages.

The most important thing to remember when applying for grant funding is to make sure you can contribute to at least one of the local priorities for the area you are applying to. It will be important to take time to find out about these priorities before applying. They are available here.

Closing dates and timelines for applying for Local Partnership funding

7th February 2020

Applications for funding are invited

February/ March 2020

Local Partnership drop in sessions held

Applicants write their applications reflecting local priorities

9th March 2020

Closing date for submitting grant funding applications for consideration at April meetings

April/ May 2020

Local Partnerships make decisions to allocate funding from the General Grant Fund and Common Good Funds

From March 2020

Celebrating Renfrewshire - Participatory budgeting work takes place to allocate funding to youth projects

The Application Process

Read the Local Partnership Grant Funding Guidance and the Priorities for the Local Partnership area you are applying to.

Attend a drop in session if you would like to discuss the priorities, application process or alternative funding opportunities.

Fill in application, ensuring you address the relevant local priorities and submit to rcgrantapplications@renfrewshire.gov.uk, together with the relevant bank statement, accounts and constitution. The deadline for applications is 9th March 2020

Your application will be considered by the Local Partnership in April or May. Local Partnership meetings are public, so you are welcome to come along to the April or May meetings. You will not be required to attend, or expected to speak at the meeting.

Following the meeting, you will be informed whether your application was successful or not. If you are successful, you will be asked to agree the conditions of grant and payment arrangements will be made.

The Application Form

The standard Voluntary and Community Organisations Grant Application Form is used to apply for Local Partnership funding. The form is available here (under related documents) or please contact the Community Planning team on 0141 6184168 if you would like a paper copy sent to you.

The form has guidance notes in the right-hand column to help you with what information to put in each box. The notes below provide further information about how to make the best use of the application.

Section 1

This section is for you to tell us about your organisation and what you do. In section 1.13 you are asked about which Local Partnership area you are applying to and where your project will be operating. In section 1.13a you should tick the Local Partnership area you are applying for funding in. In 1.13b you should write which Local Partnership area(s) the project you are applying for will operate in. All applications will be treated as an individual application by each Local Partnership. In this way, your activity needs to be viable as a project in each Local Partnership area it is applying to. If you are applying for funding from more than one Local Partnership area, you will either need to make sure your one application covers at least one priority from each of the Local Partnership areas applied to, or submit separate applications tailored to the priorities of each Local Partnership area applied to. If you are submitting one application to cover more than one Local Partnership area, you will need to make it clear how much funding is being asked for from each Local Partnership. This is covered in section 2.

Section 2

This section is an opportunity to tell us about the project you would like funding for. It is very important that you use this section to explain how you will address the priorities identified by your Local Partnership. These sections will be made public through the summary reports at the Local Partnership meetings. You should provide a good description of your project in this section highlighting clearly which priorities it will address. This is information that the Local Partnership Meeting will use to decide on your application. If you are using one application to apply to more than one Local Partnership, you need to write the name of the Local Partnership applied to next to the amount requested from that Local Partnership in section 2.10.

Section 3

This section is to make sure that you have included all the necessary supporting paperwork. Your application cannot be considered until you submit all of the correct paperwork.

Section 4

If you are filling in a paper copy of the form to post, you can sign this section of the form. If you are doing the form online, a signature can be taken at a later date.

General Grant Fund

The General Grant Fund provides grants of up to £10,000. The grants are open to constituted local community, voluntary organisations and Community Planning Partners. The fund is intended to develop local activities and projects within Local Partnership areas. The total amount of General Grant funding available is slightly different in each of the seven Local Partnership areas, because funding is allocated to Local Partnerships based on their population. Activities are expected to reflect the different priorities and needs in each of the seven areas.

Eligibility Criteria

Who can and cannot apply?

- Any community or voluntary organisation with a constitution and a bank account can apply. Any organisation applying should be accountable to its members.
- Community Planning Partners can submit applications for funding, but Council services cannot. Community Planning partners should not submit applications for projects that are regarded as core functions.
- If your application is for an individual, it will not be considered.
- Your application should contribute towards at least one of the Local Partnership's key priorities. These were established by Partnerships at their March 2019 meetings and have been developed further since. Projects should be able to demonstrate real benefit to the local area by improving or complementing existing service provision.
- Organisations that work across Renfrewshire, or in a number of Local Partnership areas, can apply, but only for projects or activities which support an area's priorities, and are delivered in that area specifically.
- You cannot apply for costs of activities that have already happened.
- You cannot apply for your total running costs. You can apply to part fund running costs though.
- The General Grant Fund will very occasionally support applications to fund activities such as day trips and lunches, but only when they provide an additional community benefit (for example tackling loneliness and isolation).
- The General Grant Fund will not support projects that exist mainly to further religious or political beliefs.

- Your application must encourage equality of opportunity.
- You cannot apply to fund either a trip abroad or hospitality to other organisations.
- If you receive a grant from the General Grant Fund, it must usually be spent within this financial year.
- General Grant Fund awards are one-off and are not intended to provide ongoing funding for the same or similar activities on an annual basis.
- If you are successful in your application, you must accept and comply with the grant conditions. It is also expected that you report back on the impact the project has had once the funds are spent.
- You should plan how you will sustain your organisation, once funding from the General Grant Fund has been used.
- You cannot use the funding for events to raise funds for other charities
- You cannot use the funding to cover your Community Councils' running costs above those funded by its administration grant from the Council.
- You should provide evidence of partnership working, where applicable.

What types of activities or projects can and cannot be funded?

Activities or projects must contribute to at least one of the key priorities identified by the Local Partnership. The fund can support a variety of projects and activities. This can include supporting people back into employment; supporting young people; supporting community safety activity; supporting healthier lifestyles; tackling poverty in disadvantaged areas; and promoting equality within local areas.

These types of activities can cover an array of different projects. Examples include:

- Refurbishment of community facilities such as decorating or improving the layout of a room for community use.
- Enhancing or creating community gardens for recreational areas.
- Community events such as gala days.
- Projects that raise awareness of healthy eating and help people change eating habits.
- Projects that promote positive mental health issues.
- After school clubs that encourage development e.g. homework clubs,
- Leadership and team working skills for group members.

Common Good Funds

Common Good is funding generated from an investment portfolio where the annual income is used to support local projects. There are Common Good funds in both Renfrew and Paisley, which are distributed through the Local Partnership. In Paisley, the fund is split across the three Local Partnerships, based on the population of each area.

The general eligibility criteria for the common good funds are the same as for the General Grant Fund, although there is no specific maximum award. The main difference is that the Common Good Funds are charities and so any projects funded through the common good funds must meet their charitable objectives (the advancement of civic responsibility or community development) to benefit people in Renfrew or Paisley.

Former Youth Challenge Fund

The Youth Challenge Fund was allocated using participatory budgeting for the first time in 2019/20 and became known as "Celebrating Renfrewshire – By Young People, For Young People." This was the first year that young people decided directly which youth projects should be funded. It is expected that this fund will be allocated in the same way this year. This funding round will be launched separately.

Further Information

Drop in sessions will be held across the Local Partnership areas. These are not specifically to address any funding concerns, but may be useful if you would like to find out more about local priorities and give your input on Local Partnerships more generally.

Any queries or applications should be directed to rcgrantapplications@renfrewshire.gov.uk or call the Community Planning Team on 0141 6184168.

Frequently Asked Questions

How will funding award decisions be made?

The members of the Local Partnership in each area will make a decision on each funding application, guided by an assessment of whether the application has met the local priorities. Remember to base your application on the local priorities of the Partnership area you are applying to. Priorities are linked here

How do I apply?

Fill in a standard grant application form on the Renfrewshire Council web site. You can do this electronically and email it in or send in a completed paper copy. You should make sure you have understood what the local priorities are for the area you are applying to before completing your application.

When is the deadline for applications?

The deadline will be 9th March 2020 for consideration at the April/ May meetings.

What happens to my application after it is submitted?

Your application and documents will be checked and then stored on the Council system. A summary of your application will be prepared to include in the papers for the relevant Local Partnership meeting. If there are any queries or clarifications needed about your application, you will be contacted before the Local Partnership papers are prepared.

When will I hear back?

You will hear back after the meeting of the Local Partnership has made a decision. The decisions will be made during the April/ May 2020 cycle of meetings. Local Partnership meetings are public, so you are welcome to come along to the meetings. You will not be required to attend or expected to speak at the meeting.

How much money can I apply for?

You can apply for a maximum of £10,000 from the General Grant Fund. If you are applying for Common Good funding, there is not specific maximum limit – but remember Common Good funding is only available in Paisley and Renfrew.

Who can apply?

Any community or voluntary organisation with a constitution and a bank account can apply. Any organisation applying should be accountable to its members. Council services will not be able to apply for funding. The wider community planning partners will be able to apply, if their project aligns with local priorities.

Can I apply to fund Christmas lights?

Unfortunately, Renfrewshire Council has very limited capacity for any further installation, storage and maintenance of Christmas lighting. If you wish to submit an application which

would require additional Council resources, you should discuss this with Council officers prior to submitting your application.

We work across Renfrewshire, can we apply?

You can apply to one or more Local Partnership. The project you are applying for, must be for the benefit of people who live in that area and the project must align with the local priorities for that area. You should focus on the areas where your project aligns most with the local priorities. You could also think about where your project is based or where most of the people using or otherwise involved in the project will be based. It might align with more than one Local Partnership area. If you do want to apply to more than one Local Partnership area, you will need to either submit separate applications or make it very clear which information applies to which Local Partnership.

What is happening to 'multi LAC' applications?

All applications will be treated as an individual application by each Local Partnership. In this way, your activity needs to be viable as a project in each Local Partnership area it is applying to. If you are applying for funding from more than one Local Partnership area, you will either need to make sure your one application covers at least one priority from each of the Local Partnership areas applied to, or submit separate applications tailored to the priorities of each Local Partnership area applied to. If you are submitting one application to cover more than one Local Partnership area, you will need to make it clear:

- How your project will specifically benefit people in each Local Partnership area applied to, and
- how much funding is being asked for from each Local Partnership.

Is it the same process as the old LAC funding applications?

There are some differences. Local Partnership grant applications must be based on the priorities for that Local Partnership area. The Youth Challenge fund decisions will be made by local young people and so follow a different process to take place later in the year.

Is the total amount of funding the same as the old LAC funding?

Yes, the total amount of funding is the same. It is still based on the population of each area, but now split between the seven Local Partnerships, rather than the five former LACs.

What happens if money is not allocated by the end of the financial year?

Where all available grant funding within a financial year is not fully committed, the balance can be carried forward only where a specific project for the forthcoming financial year has been identified and approved by the Local Partnership. This gives the Local Partnership the flexibility to set aside a proportion of its current year grant for use on a specific project the following year.

It is not intended that this year-end flexibility would be applied to carry forward a general underspend of available grant for which no specific purpose has been identified or approved.

What happens if organisations that are members of Local Partnerships apply for funding?

Organisations that are members of a Local Partnership can still apply to that Local Partnership, but they will not be allowed to speak to the application at the decision meeting and will not be allowed to vote on their own application.

If I am unsuccessful, where can I find other sources of funding?

There are other sources of funding for community groups and people who can help you in accessing it or building your capacity more broadly. Engage Renfrewshire can be found at https://www.engagerenfrewshire.com/ or by telephone on 0141 887 7707. The Invest in Renfrewshire Communities Team can be contacted by email on Econdev.community@renfrewshire.gov.uk, via their web page www.investinrenfrewshire.com/communities or by telephone on 0300 300 1180.

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