

To: Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership

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### Report by:

Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Council

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# Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report

### 1. Summary

- 1.1 Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership provides funding to community groups to undertake projects. This funding is allocated from the General Grant Fund and, through a Participating Budgeting exercise known as Celebrating Renfrewshire.
- 1.2 A table setting out the funds allocated by Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership in 2022/23 and current budget position is attached as an appendix to this report.
- 1.3 At the June 2022 meeting, three projects (FR1075 Inchinnan Development Trust, FR1126 Right2Dance and FR1083 Erskine Arts) were awarded funding that was ringfenced subject to additional information. Following submission of this additional information, the meeting held on 10 November 2022 agreed to release the ringfenced funding to these three projects.
- 1.4 Additional feedback on projects funded in 2021/22 was received since the November 2022 meeting from Inchinnan Development Trust and Paisley and District Boys Brigade. This feedback is included at Appendix 2.
- 1.5 Applications to the 2023/24 round of Local Partnership awards will be open for 6 weeks from Friday 24 February to Sunday 9 April 2023. Updated guidance will be issued to applicants, with opportunities to attend support sessions to advise applicants and answer any queries about the process. Applications will be submitted to the May 2023 round of Local Partnership meetings for decisions on awards.

## 2. Recommendation

## 2.1 It is recommended that members:

- (a) Note the budget monitoring report 2022/23
- (b) Note the additional feedback from 2021/22 projects received since November 2022

Appendix 1
Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership Budget Monitoring
Report 2021/22

General Grant Fund	£43,639 (net of Members expenses)
Total funding available in 2022/23	£43,639
Total funding awarded in 2022/23	£42,610
Available funding	£1,029

<b>Grant Ref</b>	Organisation	Awarded	Paid
FR1062	Renfrewshire Toy Bank	£1,430	£1,430
FR1067	SNACK	£7,285	£7,285
FR1071	Rainbow Turtle	£500	£500
FR1075	Inchinnan Development Trust	£10,000	£10,000
FR1083 Erskine Arts		£6,980	£6,980
FR1089	Shopmobility Paisley and District	£645	£645
FR1118 Bonnie Bishopton		£5,000	£5,000
FR1126 Right2Dance		£5,670	£5,670
FR1149 Inchinnan Community Council		£3,100	£3,100
FR1176 Erskine New Interest Group		£2,000	£2,000

Celebrating Renfrewshire Fund 2022/23	£20,288	
Carry Forward from 2021/22	£13,143	
Total funding available in 2022/23	£33,431	

<b>Grant Ref</b>	Organisation	Awarded	Paid
CE1005	Erskine Arts	£2,860	£2,860
CE1024	Lamont Farm Project £3,000		£3,000
CE1035 Paisley Pirates Supporters Club		£3,000	£3,000
CE1046	Renfrewshire Carers Centre	£1,715	£1,715
CE1043	Renfrew Town Sea Scouts	£3,000	£3,000
CE1031 Pace Theatre Company £3,000 £0		£0	
CE1054 Who Cares? Scotland		£3,000	£3,000

CE1010	Bungalow Enterprise	£2,550	£2,550
CE1008 Blue Triangle Housing Association		£2,906	£2,906
CE1021	I was Gonnae	£2,200	£2,200
CE1027	Loud n Proud	£1,500	£1,500
CE1032	Pachedu	£3,000	£3,000

## Appendix 2

## Feedback On 2021/22 Projects

Since the Local Partnership meeting in November 2022, the following feedback was received from organisations that were awarded funding from Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership in 2021/22.

## FR 1046 Inchinnan Development Trust

1.1	Organisation Name	INCHINNAN DEVELOPMENT TRUST

2.1	Project Name	India Tyres Sport Field	
2.2	Amount Received	£10,000	
2.3	<ul> <li>What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?</li> <li>Key theme: Intergenerational work</li> <li>Health &amp; wellbeing</li> <li>Connectivity</li> <li>Community identity</li> <li>Planning &amp; environment</li> </ul>		
2.4	<ul> <li>Community empowerment</li> <li>What did you spend the money on and was it fully spent? (Was this different to what you originally intended? If so, please explain).</li> <li>Refurbishment of boundary fencing - 12/11/2021 = £2,659.14 (spent)</li> <li>Drainage investigations on entire site and suggested solutions report - 24/05/2022 = £1,924.56 (spent)</li> </ul>		
	SP energy networks costs of connection to the grid & power cables = £5700 (delayed as we are not permitted to undertake these works until our CAT lease is complete,		

expected prior end of 2022. Spend is committed but not yet spent.)

[Note – the drainage investigations revealed 100-year-old field drainage that is block in many places and nonexistent on other parts of the site. An estimated £90k could be spent on the site to stop the ponding and bring the fields to a standard which would allow SFA level grass pitches for hiring to local sports clubs, wider community groups, and individuals. These necessary drainage solutions are part of IDT's plans for this site, and we would apply to other funders going forward to meet this requirement.]

## Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people in your community benefited from your project and how?

(What outcomes did you achieve? Please describe the impact your project had on its participants If you have received funding from more than one Local Partnership, please tell us how many your reached in each Local Partnership area)

The boundary fencing refurbishment certainly helps the security of the grass playing fields which were regularly being vandalized by vehicles accessing the site. This has benefited the residents of Allands Avenue and India Drive who now have fencing without unsightly gaps. The fence refurbishment also helps with security for our plans for allotments and growing grounds agenda.

Once the power and water are connected to the site this will benefit many:

- those using the grass facilities for sports training and fixtures
- IDT organised outdoor events to engage communities for consultation, fun, and or other requirements
- Water pipe (secured from public) for filling water bottles for sporting fixtures/training sessions.

(There is currently no power or water on the site).

## FR1052 Paisley and District Battalion Boys Brigade

1.1	Organisation Name	Paisley and District Battalion

2.	.1	Project Name	Battalion Administration and Events
2.	.2	Amount Received	£3,000

- 2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?
  - Community identity & civic pride
  - Young people and/or intergenerational work
- 2.4 What did you spend the money on and was it fully spent? (was this different to what you originally intended? If so, please explain).

Our Battalion provides a necessary conduit between the Boys' Brigade at country level and the various companies we have in the Council area. There are administration costs associated with running this and maintaining a local HQ building and shop to support boys and young people in the 22 local companies. These costs also allowed us to do a limited recruitment drive as well as subsidising ALL companies from our funds in the past year, a move which has allowed us to keep the majority of the companies afloat financially and properly funded to allow them to offer the boys the guidance, training, support and experience which they need to progress through the organisation. In addition, we have been able to cover the costs of a small number of events. We were able to spend/allocate all the funds kindly awarded to us.

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Indirectly, over 750 boys and young people have benefitted from the funding received, either by training, receipt of a Queen's Badge, or by way of subsidy to allow their company to continue to support them through their Boys' Brigade adventure. Attached is our review of 2021-22 which showcases some of the things we did in the past year, some of which would have been impossible without your support.