

To: Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership

On: 11th May 2022

Report by:
Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Council

TITLE:
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 Feedback from projects receiving funding in 2022/23 on the outcome of projects is also attached.

2. Recommendation

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

Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report 2022/23

General Grant Fund	£43,639.00(net of Members expenses)
Total funding available in 2022/23	£43,639.00
Total funding awarded in 2022/23	£43,639.00
Available Funding	£0

Grant Ref	Organisation	Awarded	Paid
FR1062	The Renfrewshire Toy Bank	£1,430.00	£1,430.00
FR1067	SNACK	£7,285.00	£7,285.00
FR1071	Rainbow Turtle	£500.00	£500.00
FR1075	Inchinnan Development Trust (IDT)	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
FR1083	Erskine Arts	£6,980.00	£6,980.00
FR1089	Shopmobility Paisley & District	£645.00	£645.00
FR1118	Bonnie Bishopton	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
FR1126	right2dance	£5,670.00	£5,670.00
FR1149	Inchinnan community council	£3,100.00	£3,100.00
FR1176	Erskine New Interest Group	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
	Erskine Arts	£514.50	
	Langbank Village Centre	£514.50	

Celebrating Renfrewshire Fund	£20,288.00
Carry forward from 2021/22	£13,143.00
Total funding available in 2022/23	£33,431.00
Total funding awarded in 2022/23	£31,731.00
Available funding	£1,700.00

Grant Ref	Organisation	Awarded	Paid	Still To Be Paid
CE1010	Bungalow Enterprise	£2,550.00	£2,550.00	
CE1015	Erskine Arts	£2,860.00	£2,860.00	
CE1024	Lamont Farm Project	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	
CE1031	Pace Theatre Company	£3,000.00		£3,000.00
CE1035	Paisley Pirates Supporters Club	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	
CE1043	Renfrew Town Sea Scouts	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	
CE1046	Renfrewshire Carers Centre	£1,715.00	£1,715.00	
CE1008	Blue Triangle Housing Association	£2,906.00	£2,906.00	
CE1021	I was Gonnae	£2,200.00	£2,200.00	
CE1027	Loud n Proud	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	
CE1032	Pachedu	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	
CE1054	Who Cares? Scotland	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	

22/23 Local Partnership Feedback

1.1	Organisation Name	The Renfrewshire Toy Bank														
2.1	Project Name	The Renfrewshire Toy Bank														
2.2	Total Amount Received	£6,747.20														
2.3	<p>What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?</p> <p>Education and learning Health and wellbeing Tackling inequalities Arts and culture Children and young people</p>															
2.4	<p>What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on? (was this different to what you originally intended? If so, please explain).</p> <p>We provided new toys and gifts for children and young people living in Renfrewshire via a referral system for birthdays and Christmas as well as distributing Easter eggs and Halloween costumes. Working with various referral agencies, local businesses, groups and charities; The Renfrewshire Toy Bank reduces financial strain for local parents and carers, tackling inequalities. All toys and gifts are new and of a high quality reducing any stigma, enabling families to give to children the same as their peers in a dignified manner. We cover all areas of Renfrewshire and work in partnerships to help ensure we reach as many local children as possible that need our support.</p> <p>Without the support of local partnership funding The Renfrewshire Toy Bank could not operate. As the need for the toy bank grows so do our costs. Below is a summary on how our funding was spent:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 10px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 30%;">Storage</td> <td>£1,092.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Toys and gifts</td> <td>£1,785.63</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gift cards</td> <td>£1,600.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Halloween</td> <td>£358.46</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Easter</td> <td>£1,952.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>£6,789.39</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Budget</td> <td>£6,747.20</td> </tr> </table>		Storage	£1,092.80	Toys and gifts	£1,785.63	Gift cards	£1,600.00	Halloween	£358.46	Easter	£1,952.50	Total	£6,789.39	Budget	£6,747.20
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3.1	<p>How many people benefitted from/accessed your project? (If you have received funding from more than one Local Partnership, please tell us how many your project reached in each Local Partnership area)</p> <p>Total – over 9,045* RENFREWSHIRE OVERALL</p> <p>Easter eggs – 4,267 *please note our easter campaign has not ended yet and this figure could rise</p> <p>Halloween 2022 – 707 costumers</p> <p>Christmas – 2,838 gift packages and £9,000 on gift cards</p> <p>Birthdays – 1,233 toys and gifts *please note that birthday referrals are ongoing and this number will rise</p>															

	<p>EASTER EGGS REFERRALS 2023</p> <p>Paisley North West and Central and Paisley East– 1528 *these figures and merged due to Paisley Social Workers covering both areas</p> <p>Linwood and Johnstone – 1040</p> <p>Glennifer – 724</p> <p>Erskine ,Bishopton, Inchinnan and Langbank – 413</p> <p>Renfrew – 308</p> <p>The Villages - 254</p> <p>CHRISTMAS REFERRALS 2022</p> <p>Paisley North West and Central and Paisley East – 939 *these figures and merged due to Paisley Social Workers covering both areas</p> <p>Linwood and Johnstone – 690</p> <p>Glennifer -377</p> <p>Erskine, Bishopton, Inchinnan and Langbank– 231</p> <p>Renfrew – 475</p> <p>The Villages - 126</p>
3.2	<p>How did your project benefit people in the community? (What outcomes did you achieve? Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)</p> <p>Thousands of parents and carers were able to gift their children with without the children knowing where the presents had come from. This dignified response helps not only financially but mentally, taking off pressure for local families. The same approach applies to Halloween and Easter, again ensuring we can reach as many areas as possible. Our gift card appeal allows young people to have a choice, something we believe strongly in and want to always include teenagers who can often be a challenging age to buy for. Organising the appeals also takes a huge pressure off of many third sector organisations that can refer to the Toy Bank such as Pals of the Privies, Glenburn Stronger Communities, EBI Unites, The STAR Project, Homestart, Who Cares? Scotland, The SPACE Project, Family Nurse Partnership etc. With children learning through play, the toy bank helps to provide educational gifts supporting with learning and creativity.</p> <p>The Toy Bank also offers a range of volunteer opportunities to the community allowing people to share their skills, time and knowledge. Working with local schools to support Duke of Edinburgh awards.</p>

1.1	Organisation Name	Shopmobility Paisley and District
2.1	Project Name	Shopmobility
2.2	Total Amount Received	£2,395
2.3	<p>What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?</p> <p>Health and Wellbeing Tackling social isolation to promote health Supporting Social connections Isolation and Loneliness</p>	
2.4	<p>What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on? (was this different to what you originally intended? If so, please explain).</p> <p>Grant funds were put towards purchases of 2 scooters, 2 wheelchairs and 2 scooter covers.</p> <p>We purchased 2 wheelchairs outright as well as 2 scooter covers. The remaining balance was enough to go towards the purchase of 1 mobility scooter.</p>	
3.1	<p>How many people benefitted from/accessed your project? (If you have received funding from more than one Local Partnership, please tell us how many your project reached in each Local Partnership area)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank - Paisley North West Central - Paisley East - Gleniffer 	
3.2	<p>How did your project benefit people in the community? (What outcomes did you achieve? Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)</p> <p>We achieved all of the priorities, and these are all part of our strategic intentions: Health and Wellbeing Tackling social isolation to promote health Supporting Social connections Isolation and Loneliness</p> <p>This equipment has helped hundreds of people with disabilities and mobility issues hire free or low-cost equipment to get them out of their house or residential setting. Even post pandemic, we know many of our members are still hesitant to go out and lack confidence.</p> <p>Our role has been to connect with our members and let them know we have existing and new equipment to enable them to be independent and make choices to improve their life and health options. We've had over 500 hires of this equipment over the course of the year and our membership has increased which is a positive as more people are utilising the service.</p> <p>We surveyed members who hired equipment and the findings are noted below:</p> <p>100% told us they would lose their independence if we were unable to provide our service 100% said they would require support to look after their care needs 64% wouldn't be able to care for their family 98% confirmed their condition would significantly worsen 97% would be less connected and lonely/isolated</p> <p>It's clear from the above data that our members do benefit greatly from our service, which you have invested in and we and our members sincerely appreciate this. Enabling and connecting with people is essential and our role in this is to ensure that those with disabilities and mobilities are able to join other funded projects or just get out and do whatever they need by offering them choice. Our belief is that we should not forget about those who struggle with disabilities or mobility issues.</p>	

1.1	Organisation Name	INCHINNAN DEVELOPMENT TRUST LTD
2.1	Project Name	India Tyres playing fields – utility connections
2.2	Total Amount Received	£10,000
2.3	What priorities did you tell us your project would meet? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key theme: Intergenerational work <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health & wellbeing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Connectivity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community identity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning & environment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community empowerment	
2.4	What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on? (was this different to what you originally intended? If so, please explain). IDT has not been permitted to undertake any works at India tyres playing fields until the Community Asset Transfer paperwork has been completed. Unforeseen delays have pushed our electricity and water connections work back until the lease is signed, which is expected to be completed before the end of May 2023. No monies have been spent from this grant yet but will be fully spent when the works commence.	
3.1	How many people benefitted from/accessed your project? (If you have received funding from more than one Local Partnership, please tell us how many your project reached in each Local Partnership area) n/a	
3.2	How did your project benefit people in the community? (What outcomes did you achieve? Please describe the impact your project had on its participants) n/a	

1.1	Organisation Name	Bonnie Bishopton
2.1	Project Name	Christmas Lights
2.2	Total Amount Received	£5,000
2.3	<p>What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?</p> <p>To procure Christmas lights for the village of Bishopton which will achieve equity across the towns and villages of Renfrewshire.</p> <p>To give our village an identity and promote ownership and pride amongst our villagers.</p> <p>To reduce social isolation by encouraging chat amongst our generations whilst out walking through the village.</p> <p>To achieve the feeling of community empowerment by the involvement in local participatory budgeting resulting in this much longed for aim to brighten our village at Christmas time.</p>	
2.4	<p>What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on? (was this different to what you originally intended? If so, please explain).</p> <p>To purchase 20 lighting columns at £500 each column which is £10,000. We were given £5000 which purchased 10 columns and we received a further £5000 from the village fund to cover the other £5,000 resulting in the purchase of 20 columns as requested.</p>	
3.1	<p>How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?</p> <p>(If you have received funding from more than one Local Partnership, please tell us how many your project reached in each Local Partnership area)</p> <p>Our entire village population including Dargavel residents benefitted from this project. The children going to and from school and activities. The villagers out walking through the village. The people travelling to and from work cheered by the Christmas lights on dark mornings. The local traders as people perhaps stopped to view Christmas lights. The village became a beacon of festive spirit and light which cheered everyone in a difficult winter period.</p> <p>When the first lights went up everyone was talking so positively about it.</p>	
3.2	<p>How did your project benefit people in the community?</p> <p>(What outcomes did you achieve? Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)</p> <p>By turning on the Christmas lights event was absolutely full with families and all generations within the village, where they enjoyed carol singing and mince pies and hot drinks, a tremendous turn out of support and gratitude from the villagers. It marked the start of the Christmas festivities. They brought young and old together enjoying the brightness of our lights and hopefully reducing social isolation.</p> <p>Finally, our village achieved equity in line with all the Renfrewshire residents. A tremendous sense of ownership, pride and well-being became evident across the village. Bonnie Bishopton Facebook page was completely inundated by thanks and gratitude on the first day the lights were lit. It was an incredible response. People stopped us in the street to say thank you to Bonnie Bishopton members. Local traders were absolutely delighted and grateful to see the village lit up. Resident felt empowered at being involved in local funding issues and achieving their wishes. Community council feedback was tremendously positive from our residents.</p>	

1.1	Organisation Name	INCHINNAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
2.1	Project Name	BRIGHTER INCHINNAN – START UP COSTS
2.2	Total Amount Received	£3,100
2.3	<p>What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?</p> <p>ICC formed a voluntary group of residents whose aim is to make Inchinnan look brighter and more welcoming with flowers and plants. Residents have been asking ICC for years about the lack of flowers and plants compared with other villages. ICC and IDT together have come up with 8 volunteers to create the new club of planters to make a start in 2022/23.</p>	
2.4	<p>What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on? (was this different to what you originally intended? If so, please explain).</p> <p>We spent the money on railing planters to hang on the railings in the village, filled them with soil and plants that will come up each season. We also bought free standing planters and placed them strategically around the village, being sure not to block any of our narrow pavements. These planters were also filled with soil and plants.</p>	
3.1	<p>How many people benefitted from/accessed your project? (If you have received funding from more than one Local Partnership, please tell us how many your project reached in each Local Partnership area)</p> <p>There were 6 people involved with acting on the first stage of the project, which was to select and order the goods. A further 4 people were involved with the manual labour of sitting and planting the goods. And the whole village enjoys the visual improvement the planters have already brought to Inchinnan.</p>	
3.2	<p>How did your project benefit people in the community? (What outcomes did you achieve? Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)</p> <p>We successfully created a community club focused on flowers and plants to enhance the village experience for residents and visitors.</p> <p>We successfully included anyone from the village who wished to be involved with flowers and plants. We met the need raised by residents as to the village not having any planters, so the introduction of flowers and plants has been very welcomed.</p> <p>Inchinnan residents care a lot about village identity, so this club gives residents the opportunity to come together to create a brighter place for everyone to enjoy.</p>	

CR 22/23 feedback

Organisation Name: Erskine Arts

Local Partnership Area Covered: • Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank

Project Name: Media Skills Development & Gaming Drop-In

Amount Received from Celebrating Renfrewshire: £2,860.00

What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

- Employability and life skills
- Culture

What did you want the money to do?

We planned to provide free industry-standard media training to young people across Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank as well as have improved drop-in services for young people who'd like to come along and make new friends in a safe, supportive and inclusive environment. We wanted to train young people to be able to utilise video editing skills either in their personal lives or to pursue further education or a career utilising these skills. Providing a games console for our users created another branch of social inclusion we would have not been able to have provided if not for this fund. Gaming much like music is a great way for young people to come together and has proved a major draw for young people who would regularly spend their Friday evenings alone at home. A purchase of a standard recording interface was planned to allow our membership to record audio and music that they are written as well as learn skills within the recording field.

What did you spend it on?

We purchased an Apple Mac Mini capable of large-scale video editing as well as accessories such as a keyboard/monitor/mouse. We also purchased a Nintendo Switch with controllers and a selection of

games requested by the young people. We purchased a recording interface with appropriate software for music and audio recording and mixing.

How many young people benefited from/accessed your project?

Although our attendance at our Friday Drop-In is a shared mixture of young people there to play music as well as video games, we have reached a combined number of 407 instances of young people since receiving the fund. Our 'Crew' group that utilises our media equipment on a regular basis has seen 179 individual instances of young people attending since our fund. We also have a core group of users who specifically use our media equipment for their own projects or to gain more skills with our staff helping them. We have between 5-10 young people regularly learning skills and hands-on experience with the equipment purchased with this fund.

How did your project benefit young people in the community?

Young people in our community and wider locality do not have access to the same level of equipment for free access as we go now due to this project and grant offer. Anyone can now use our media facilities to learn skills in visual and audio editing for no charge. These sorts of skills development are often only something made available in further education, or a paid course. These skills are vital in life, video editing, for example, can be used in any industry for any manner of things, all businesses advertise and with the always increasing rise and prominence of social

media both in our personal and professional lives being able to edit media clips together is going to be an essential skill for most young people growing up. Our drop-in sessions have been more popular than we could have anticipated. This is in part of us receiving funding for a games console which has brought youths together from different backgrounds to have fun and socialise whilst playing games.

How can you evidence the impact of your project?

Our strong numbers since receiving funding have been a great indication of the success and impact of the project - with the recent drop in numbers exceeding 50 young people during one session we know there is a great need for this facility in our local community. We are currently recording a short video where you will hear from the young people themselves on why this fund and subsequent grant offer has been a great success and impact for members of our local community.

Organisation Name: I Was Gona

Local Partnership Area Covered • Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank

Project Name: Musical Experience

Amount Received from Celebrating Renfrewshire: £7200

What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

- Mental and physical wellbeing

What did you want the money to do?

Provide a musical experience for young people who may come from disadvantaged background or have mental health and well being issues. Our objective is to take them through a 4 week programme which encourages participation collaboration and teamwork. They are taught how music is constructed with a professional musician and eventually they produce a song which belongs to them. They have decided the theme, rhythm, lyrics beats etc. More importantly they have learned a number of skills along the way that we hope will lead to further support or employment, further education or apprenticeships

What did you spend it on?

The money has not yet been fully spent as the project will not complete to mid April. The funding assisted with Administration, production costs equipment supply, Staff costs for delivery and associated expenses. We have been contracted to provide 3 Projects in the region. One is complete , the other starts next week and the final one starts at the end of March

How many young people benefited from/accessed your project?

Already approximately 20 people with a further 8 to 10 due to take part in the final session

How did your project benefit young people in the community?

It allows them to understand they can achieve something they never thought possible. They come out of their shell through the love of music. They interact with others and contribute in a team environment. Their confidence and self worth is improved all of this helps Well being and mental health

How can you evidence the impact of your project?

Feedback forms and Photographs of the participants

Organisation Name: Paisley Pirates Supporters Club

Local Partnership Area Covered: Gleniffer

Project Name: Paisley Pirates Junior Development

Amount Received from Celebrating Renfrewshire: £9000

What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

- Mental and physical wellbeing

What did you want the money to do?

We wanted to establish and provide all equipment for a Junior Development section within the Paisley Pirates umbrella for youths under 19 and beyond.

What did you spend it on?

We fully kitted out 20 under 19 youths to take part in both training sessions and fully fledged games. This consisted of skates, pads, gloves, shorts and shirts for training and games and new helmets and sticks. We also provided all required accessories e.g. water bottles, stick tape, leg tape, face visors and cages. There can be high turnover of equipment due to sticks breaking and the players are still growing so replacements are often required. We also provided tracksuits for the players to give them a sense of identity. Due to the funding, we were able to play within our home rink and pay associated fees and licenses for both training and games and entry fees to competitions.

How many young people benefited from/accessed your project?

Originally 20 under 19-year-olds but they are also feeding into the under 16 age group. One young person has been chosen to represent Team GB in Riga, Yugoslavia this summer. We are now preparing for a further under 16 age group to feed into the under 19s.

How did your project benefit young people in the community?

We have been able to fully train and support a full team of 20 under 19 youths and are now looking to support further teams at under 16, under 14s and all the way down to learn to play sessions which would encompass basic skating skills and safety. This has helped to improve the young's people mental health especially after lockdown. There has also been a social bonus as new friendships and relationships are built with players and coaches. The young people are also taught how to care for their equipment, cleaning it and storing it properly.

How can you evidence the impact of your project?

There is photographic proof of all the youths in action at both under 19 level and with the senior team. I can also provide anecdotal evidence from the coaches and the team behind the team!!!

Organisation Name: Renfrew Town Sea Scouts

Local Partnership Area Covered –

- Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank
- Renfrew
- The Villages

Project Name: Project Inclusion

Amount Received from Celebrating Renfrewshire: £9000

What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

- Mental and physical wellbeing
- Cost of living
- Employability and life skills
- Culture

What did you want the money to do?

The funds raised will be split between our operating costs (for example insurances for the hall and equipment cost in the region of £4k per annum) as well as investing in new equipment (such as paddle boards and safety boats) that will allow us to offer 50 young people the chance to participate in our water activities on a nightly basis.

What did you spend it on?

The funding spend on operating costs takes care of itself. I'd imagine around £4k will be spent on the hall and its upkeep. As we are at the start of our sailing season, we are in the process of allocating the grant and anticipate the following spend: 6 young leaders trained to level 3 RYS sailing standard. in anticipation of completing their instructor certificates. Leaders being trained in Sea kayaking, allowing sessions on the Clyde Investment in paddle boards, pending the necessary scout qualifications to be awarded Water training sessions at the Glynhill hotel pool, to train the kids in capsizing drills Obtaining minibus and trailer licences for our young leaders. Contribution to our new safety boat, cost c£20k

How many young people benefited from/accessed your project?

Our scout and explorer sections all benefit, this accounts for c50 kids and young adults.

How did your project benefit young people in the community?

Our water sessions will continue over the summer and will be able to be expanded with the necessary investment. we grow from strength to strength, but in order to maintain standards and to keep up with current legislation, we need to continually look at our resources. As long as we "tick the boxes" and have the correct equipment and trainers, we will continue to offer water sports to all kids in our sections.

How can you evidence the impact of your project?

I've asked the older section to make a video of our activities for forwarding.

Organisation Name: Loud n Proud

Local Partnership Area Covered

- Gleniffer
- Paisley East
- Paisley North, West & Central
- Renfrew
- The Villages

Project Name: Pen To Performance

Amount Received from Celebrating Renfrewshire: £7500

What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

- Employability and life skills
- Culture

What did you want the money to do?

The purpose of the project was to help young emerging musicians in Renfrewshire develop their music from a basic song idea and turn a good idea into a great one through a series of Concept Sessions. These Concept Sessions were geared towards equipping young composers and musicians with a good awareness of: • Musical content, style, and genre • Song structure and how it can be improved • Harmony and melody • The creative process from song idea to stage and recording studio • The lyric writing process • Their individual play

What did you spend it on?

We ran a series of weekend workshops and recording sessions finishing with a live performance. Our producers worked with participants on a one to one basis in the studio, assisting the development of their lyrics and music to bring their ideas for words and melodies alive as a performance piece. The aim was to teach young bands and artists how to take a good idea for a song and develop it into a great one. As the course progressed the tutors gave young creators the skills to bring out the best in their song ideas and improve their skills as a songwriter.

How many young people benefited from/accessed your project?

A total of 15 workshops took place from 7 November 2022 to 6 March 2023 and 30 young artists took part. 12 young people volunteered to help with the tech crew and gained experience in sound recording and music production on each session.

How did your project benefit young people in the community?

Participants gained a better understanding of the composition, the flow and timbre of the songs that they have written before and composed during the course. The experience gave them an insight to what is required before the time it gets to the recording studio or is performed live on stage. During the sessions young artists were coached, mentored, and given guidance to support the development of both their careers and their audiences. Other benefits included: An increase in opportunities to develop their creative ambition. It gave the participants a better understanding of ways to increase awareness of their music to their fans and attract new ones.

How can you evidence the impact of your project?

We asked for feedback after each session and the main comments were: Participants gained a better understanding of what makes a good song and how to collaborate with others. All the participants felt that their song writing skills had improved. The project increased their understanding of different instruments other than their own and therefore widened the type, style and even genre of their original idea. Being together as a 'Renfrewshire Collective' strengthened their network and created a new set of connections to other music organisations and individuals. The tutors comments were: The young people were very enthusiastic and came up with lots of rough ideas and finished with a more structured way of writing songs. The overall feeling was that more projects of this type would produce better artists and bands as content is key to a musician's success. The feedback will help us to design courses in the future. We will send images and video

Organisation Name: Pachedu

Local Partnership Area Covered

- Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank
- Gleniffer
- The Villages

Project Name: Pachedu Migrant Artist

Amount Received from Celebrating Renfrewshire: £9000

What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

- Mental and physical wellbeing
- Culture

What did you want the money to do?

To create an opportunity to give a voice and promote equality of opportunities for diverse minority communities in Renfrewshire, by giving young people with musical talent a chance to benefit from a mentorship programme to help them pursue a career in music.

What did you spend it on?

Paid the Diane Mitchell music academy who 'provided support with professional music tutorials. We identified young adults with musical talent who benefited from a mentorship programme to help them pursue a career in music. We also paid for a recording recorded in Brick Lane with an engineer.

How many young people benefited from/accessed your project?

10 young people benefited from this opportunity.

How did your project benefit young people in the community?

This opportunity gave a voice and promoted equality of opportunities for diverse minority communities in Renfrewshire, by giving young people with musical talent a chance to benefit from a mentorship programme to help them pursue a career in music.

How can you evidence the impact of your project?

We have a recording of a piece of music that the young people did and a few pictures of them in music sessions.