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**To:** Social Work, Health & Wellbeing Policy Board

**On:** 3 March 2015

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**Report by:** Director of Children's Services

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**Heading:** Section 10 Grant Applications 2015-16

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## **1. Summary**

- 1.1. Social Work has the delegated authority to provide financial support to voluntary organisations under Section 10 of the Social Work Scotland Act 1968. This report proposes awards totalling £17,050 to support voluntary organisations.
  - 1.2. A total of 10 organisations have submitted grant applications for Section 10 funding. Details of the grant applications are provided in schedules 1 and 2, appended to this report.
  - 1.3. It is proposed that funding amounting to £17,050 is awarded to the 10 organisations as listed in schedules 1 and 2.
  - 1.4. Previous reports to the Social Work, Health and Well-being Board have sought approval to continue to make section 10 payments to Renfrewshire Citizens Advice Bureau pending the implementation of alternative payment arrangements arising from the corporate review of advice services. A further payment to cover the month of January 2015 was paid through the Section 10 process to ensure funding continuity, and this report seeks homologation of the decision to make this payment.
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## **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1. The Social Work, Health & Wellbeing Policy Board is asked to:
    - a) Approve funding in respect of the organisations detailed, totalling £17,050.
    - b) Homologate the award of Section 10 grant funding for the month for January 2015 amounting £3917 to Renfrewshire Citizen's Advice Bureau to ensure continuity of funding pending completion of alternative payment arrangements arising from the corporate review of advice services.
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### **3. Background**

- 3.1. Social Work has the delegated authority to provide financial support to voluntary organisations under Section 10 of the Social Work Scotland Act 1968, and this report details proposed awards totalling £17,050 to support voluntary organisations.
  - 3.2. Grant awards can only be made to organisations accepting the Council's conditions of grant. In addition, inter-agency organisations which are applying for funding from other local authorities and sources of funding will require to demonstrate viability as part of the grant award conditions.
  - 3.3. The report on financial assistance to voluntary organisations for 2015-16 is divided into two schedules appended to this report as follows:
    - 3.3.1. Schedule 1 lists background information and recommendations in respect of local and inter-authority voluntary organisations operating in Renfrewshire.
    - 3.3.2. Schedule 2 details background information and payments in respect of local and inter-authority organisations awarded by the Director of Children's Services under the scheme of delegation.
  - 3.4. If the recommendations are approved, the total amount of the grant award will be £17,050.
  - 3.5. A payment of £3917 was made to Renfrewshire Citizens Advice Bureau through Section 10 arrangements for the month of January 2015 pending commencement of the new payment arrangements arising from the corporate review of advice services, and this report seeks the homologation of the decision to make this payment.
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### **Implications of this report**

#### **1. Financial Implications**

The report deals with the allocation of the approved Section 10 budget for 2015/16.

#### **2. HR and Organisational Development Implications**

None.

#### **3. Community Plan/Council Plan Implications**

Children and Young People

- The distribution of grant monies support a number of local organisations improve the lives of young people, and contribute to maximising their potential.

Community Care, Health and Well-being

- The distribution of grant monies support a number of local organisations provide support and services which contribute towards improving the health and wellbeing of Renfrewshire residents.

Empowering our Communities

- The distribution of grant monies support a number of local organisations provide support and services which contribute

		towards building community capacity.
	<b>Jobs and the Economy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The distribution of grant monies support a number of local organisations to provide advice and services which contribute towards addressing issues of poverty and inequality.</li> </ul>
	<b>Safer and Stronger</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The distribution of grant monies to specific organisations contributes to safer, stronger more resilient communities in Renfrewshire.</li> </ul>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Legal Implications</b>	Organisations receiving Section 10 grants in accordance with this report's recommendations will require to comply with the Council's conditions of grant.
<b>5.</b>	<b>Property/Assets Implications</b>	None.
<b>6.</b>	<b>Information Technology Implications</b>	None.
<b>7.</b>	<b>Equality and Human Rights Implications</b>	The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report because for example it is for noting only. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website. (Report author to arrange this).
<b>8.</b>	<b>Health and Safety Implications</b>	None.
<b>9.</b>	<b>Procurement Implications</b>	None.
<b>10.</b>	<b>Risk Implications</b>	Minimal. Financial assessments are undertaken by Social Work Finance on the current financial situation of organisations and all organisations in receipt of a grant are required to comply with the Council's Standard Terms and Conditions of Grant.
<b>11.</b>	<b>Privacy Impact</b>	None.

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## List of Background Papers

(a) none

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**Section 10 Grant Aid 2015-16 - Schedule 1: LOCAL & INTER - AUTHORITY INITIATIVES**  
**Social Work, Health & Wellbeing Policy Board 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015**

Name of Organisation	Statement/Aims of Organisation	Purpose of Grant and Recommendation	2014-15		2015-16	
			Grant Requested	Payment Received	Grant Requested	Payment Recommended
<b>Renfrewshire Sound</b>	The organisation has been providing a recorded local unique talking news service for visually impaired people in Renfrewshire for 30 years.	The grant will be used to assist with the rental costs associated with the provision of the service. This will also allow the organisation to purchase additional equipment associated with the conversion to a digital recording format to enhance the current service.  Over 100 residents of Renfrewshire use Renfrewshire Sound's services.	£2,500	£1,700	£2,500	£1,700
<b>Wednesday Social Club</b>	This club promotes social welfare for older people in Renfrewshire, particularly for the Whitehaugh area.	<b>RECOMMEND</b>  The grant will be used towards rent, heating and lighting costs for the use of the premises at Kelburn Cricket Club and ongoing administration costs.  50 people attend the Club on a weekly basis.	£1,000	£500	£1,000	£500
<b>Cash for Kids –Radio Clyde</b>	The aim of this organisation is to fundraise through radio appeals which support children facing financial, emotional and physical challenges. The organisation runs the Radio Clyde Cash for Kids Christmas appeal and ongoing community appeals.	<b>RECOMMEND</b>  The grant will contribute to staff costs and overheads to enable them to deliver the summer grant scheme, increase fundraising and distribute grants to families and groups.  5,434 children in Renfrewshire were supported through the service in 2013.	£1,000	£1,000	£4,999	£1,000

	Name of Organisation	Statement/Aims of Organisation	Purpose of Grant and Recommendation	2014-15	2015-16		
				Grant Requested	Payment Received	Grant Requested	Payment Recommended
	<b>Renfrewshire Access Panel</b>	The aim of the access panel is to ensure Renfrewshire is fully accessible for all. We mainly assist people with disabilities but by ensuring full accessibility we also help parents with prams and children on bikes and the elderly members of the community.	The grant is to assist with the on-going running costs and raising awareness of the group.	£11,458	£600	£4292.42	£600
	<b>Renfrewshire Seniors Forum (RSF)</b>	Renfrewshire Seniors Forum aims to promote the general welfare of older people in Renfrewshire by campaigning on issues and to provide information and support to older people in Renfrewshire. The organisation acts as a coordinating body for 10 local seniors forums in Renfrewshire.	<b>RECOMMEND</b> The grant will allow Renfrewshire Seniors Forum to operate as the coordinating body for all local senior forums in Renfrewshire by providing information, support, training, and representation at events. It will also contribute to ongoing running costs, administration, Strengthening Opportunities for Older People in Renfrewshire (SOOPIR) events and an annual conference. The forum receives officer support from Social Work.	£4,999	£4,000	£2,900	£2,900
	<b>Renfrewshire Visually Impaired Forum</b>	The Forum aims to foster awareness on issues affecting blind and partially sighted people in Renfrewshire.	<b>RECOMMEND</b> The grant will assist the organisation to pay travel expenses, help pay rent and support drop-in facility and fund events.	£1,250	£1,000	£1,250	£1,000
	<b>Victim Support Scotland – National Office West and Renfrewshire Service</b>	Victim Support Scotland aims to provide emotional and practical assistance to people affected by crime, and to campaign on behalf of victims' rights within the criminal justice system.	<b>RECOMMEND</b> The grant will contribute to operational costs including salaries, administration and other expenditure associated with the organisation's aims and objectives.	£10,000	£8,000	£10,000	£8,000
			<b>RECOMMEND</b>			Total	£15,700.00

**Section 10 Grant Aid 2014–15 - Schedule 2: SCHEME OF DELEGATION**  
**Social Work, Health & Wellbeing Policy Board 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015**

Name of Organisation	Statement/Aims of Organisation	Purpose of Grant and Recommendation	2014-15			2015-16		
			Grant Requested	Payment Received	Grant Requested	Payment Recommended		
<b>LOCAL &amp; INTER AUTHORITY INITIATIVES</b>								
Cornerstone Drop in Centre	Cornerstone Drop In Centre provides a daytime facility for shelter, food and friendship for vulnerable people in need of support. Many of the service users are homeless/rough sleepers and have mental health and addiction problems.	The grant is to contribute towards running costs  The organisation's aims are consistent with the community planning and social work objectives of providing support and care to vulnerable individuals and working with partners to deliver services which promote social and financial inclusion and maximise health improvement opportunities.  Up to 30 people access services on a weekly basis.	£1,300	£499	£1,000	£499		

**RECOMMEND**

	<b>Music in Hospitals</b>	Music in Hospitals provides concerts by professional musicians for sick, disabled, terminally ill and older people in hospital, hospices, residential or day care throughout Scotland including Renfrewshire.	The grant for this year will contribute to the provision of concerts, by professional musicians specially selected for their ability to communicate with sensitivity, to people in long-term care in Renfrewshire. Programmes are tailored to suit frail or elderly audiences.  29 concerts took place in Renfrewshire during 2014.	<b>RECOMMEND</b>	£360	£352	£360	£352
	<b>Greensyde Carers</b>	The aims of the group are to advance the education of and to promote the welfare of adults with learning difficulties and their carers. The project creates opportunities for people disadvantaged by a learning and/or sensory disability to explore their creativity and to experience the arts through running a series of workshops in music, movement and dance.	The grant will allow the organisation to employ sessional workers to provide music, movement, and dance sessions for the clients who attend Spinners Gate, which complement the existing services.	<b>RECOMMEND</b>	£499	£499	£499	£499
				Total	£1,350		£1,350	