

To: Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership

On: 30 January 2019

Report by:
Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Council

TITLE:
APPLICATION FOR FUNDING BY THE BREASTFEEDING NETWORK

1. Summary

- 1.1 The Breastfeeding Network applied to Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership in June 2019 for funding of £6,091 to provide breastfeeding peer support and evidence based information to families in Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank. The application is attached as Appendix 1 (FR1250). The priorities of the Local Partnership are also attached for information at Appendix 2.
- 1.2 A decision on the application at the June meeting was deferred and additional information about the project was sought. Following receipt of further information, members were asked by email for their view on awarding the funding. As the views received from Local Partnership members were not unanimous, the decision was deferred for consideration at the Local Partnership meeting held on 14 November 2019. The Local Partnership decided at the November meeting to invite the Breastfeeding Network to a special meeting in January 2020 to discuss the application and reach a decision.
- 1.3 Specific issues that Local Partnership members had raised for further information at the November 2019 meeting were:
 - Assurance that the Breastfeeding Network would be delivered locally in the Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank area.
 - Information about how the service would be advertised in the Local Partnership area.
 - Information about services/activities that the Breastfeeding Network offers.
 - How many people in the Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank area has the service reached or will reach.

- 1.4 Should the Local Partnership decide not to award funding to The Breastfeeding Network, the resource will be awarded to projects identified through the Celebrating Renfrewshire Youth Participatory Budgeting exercise as agreed at the meeting held on 14 November 2019. A list of the projects that applied for funding through Celebrating Renfrewshire is attached at Appendix 3.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 It is recommended that Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership:

Considers the award of £6,901 to The Breastfeeding Network, which was continued for further information from the meeting held on 19 June 2019 and discussed at the meeting held on 14 November 2019.

3. Background

- 3.1 Following the original decision in June 2019 to defer the Breastfeeding Network application, the following information was submitted to the Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank meeting on 14 November 2019:

“We recently held a pop up breastfeeding group event at Erskine sports centre which was very well attended by mums. Many of the mums in the areas you mention currently attend the group we run in Johnstone and this pop up group was to give them something more local to come along to and to look at start to talk about the possibility of us setting up at new group in the Erskine area. We have also spoken to the local health visiting team and done various activities on social media to try and build relationships with mums and families in the area. We haven't yet had conversations with other local groups but this is something we would do once we heard about the funding outcome to try and build relationships and find out what is needed locally.”

- 3.2 Following the response, the opinion of members of the Local Partnership was sought by email. Of the 14 members of the Local Partnership, 11 people responded. 8 members indicated agreement for release of the funding, 3 members disagreed with release of the funding and one proposed granting half the funding. As the outcome was not unanimous, the Local Partnership is asked to decide its response to the application at the meeting on 14 November.

Grants Summary Sheet 2019-2020

Reference		FR 1250	
Name of Organisation/Group	1.1	The Breastfeeding Network	
Name of project	2.1	Renfrewshire Breast Buddies	
How many members?	1.11	Full Time	0
		Part Time	120
		Volunteer	647
		Member	647
Address/based	1.3	The Breastfeeding Network PO BOX 11126 Paisley PA2 8YB	
What does your Organisation/Group do?	1.10	Our vision is a society where mums and families are able to make informed decisions about breastfeeding, to access help when they need it and to become confident in their choices. For a new mum deciding how to feed her baby, talking to a mum who knows about breastfeeding can make a crucial difference. Our mission is to offer independent, evidence-based information and support to help build awareness of breastfeeding to individuals and organisations and to support a mum in her choice to breastfeed.	
Local Partnership applied to for funding and Local Partnership area(s) covered activity	1.13	Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank	
How much grant funding are you seeking?	2.10	£6,091.00	
What will this grant be used for? Please provide a breakdown of the costs to be incurred. (Please use a separate sheet if required)	2.3 2.4 2.5 2.6	<p>To provide breastfeeding peer support and evidence based information to families in Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank. This is especially important in rural and isolated communities and promotes inclusion, tackles loneliness and isolation, improves maternal health and wellbeing, address health inequalities. This then improves the confidence of young mums, enabling them to go on and do further training. We want to maintain the excellent service we already provide by supporting our existing volunteers in the area.</p> <p>Across Renfrewshire breastfeeding rates remain low, with only around 14% being breastfed at 6-8 weeks in the most deprived areas. Evidence shows that trained peer support helps mums to meet their own breastfeeding goals, enabling them to breastfeed for longer. This positive impact on their own mental health improves bonding and attachment helping to alleviate postnatal</p>	

		<p>depression and feelings of isolation. By having the opportunity to access skilled support and evidence based information they feel part of a supportive welcoming community. Babies who are not breastfed are more likely to suffer from chest, ear, urinary tract and gastrointestinal infections, and at higher risk of developing obesity, high blood pressure, heart disease, stroke, diabetes, and cancer in later life.</p> <p>We will establish a new breastfeeding support group by training 12 women to provide peer support, continue their ongoing learning, and supervision with our accredited training. This is in line with the Local Partnership's priority of empowering the community to support each other as a community led service. In turn this reduces social isolation, improves maternal mental health and increases social capital. The area is already welcoming and accessible to breastfeeding families, which is also in line with the Scottish Government's Breastfeeding Friendly Scotland which will be launched this summer. We will work closely with other local community groups, Health Improvement and Health Visiting teams. We will attend local community events, providing support to both pregnant women and new families</p> <p>We will continue to support vulnerable local families within the community enabling them to continue breastfeeding for as long as they wish. They will have increased knowledge and confidence and be part of a supportive community. We anticipate supporting increased numbers of breastfeeding families at the group and at local community events. We will continue to support existing volunteers by helping them increase their knowledge and skills, promote our service locally and increase knowledge in the community</p>		
What is your group's current bank balance?	1.14	362,125.21		
Are there any significant items of expenditure to be set against this bank balance?	1.14	<p>Yes</p> <p>The is the balance of the national charity and local grants and funding are ring-fenced solely for that purpose</p>		
Have you applied for funding from any other sources? (This includes other Council grant sources as well as external grant providers such as Lottery funding)	2.12	Source of Funding	Secured/Not Secured	Timescale for Decision if not Secured
		Fundraising for Printing/promotion/resources - Promotion/resources for events £100 £200	Partially secured	

Please briefly explain the benefit for the Local Partnership area if you are awarded this grant	2.6	We will continue to support vulnerable local families within the community enabling them to continue breastfeeding for as long as they wish. They will have increased knowledge and confidence and be part of a supportive community. We anticipate supporting increased numbers of breastfeeding families at the group and at local community events. We will continue to support existing volunteers by helping them increase their knowledge and skills, promote our service locally and increase knowledge in the community			
Previous local grant award history – previous 24 months <i>(for office use only)</i>	2.13				
		2018/19 LAC funding	£3941.44 £615.54	Sustaining support groups, volunteering costs, venue hire, support and supervision of volunteers, popup events	
		2017/18 LAC funding	3,570.00	Sustaining support groups, volunteer costs, ongoing volunteer support	
Any Additional Information/ Documents Provided with Grant Application	3.00				
Please provide a breakdown of the total costs of the project and the amount requested from this grant source.	2.11	Provision of 1 Helper Course, supervision costs, venue hire membership of BfN, OCN accreditation and qualification costs Supervision of existing volunteers, venue costs, tutor/supervisor time and travel Volunteer expenses for groups, events Printing and promotional materials, resources for groups and volunteers Promotion at events, stall hire and materials Charity overheads/central costs	2871 1500 400 600 500 220	6,091	
Appendix 4 Submitted (Out of School Care Providers Only)					
Lead Officer Recommendation <i>(for office use only)</i>					

ERSKINE, INCHINNAN, BISHOPTON AND LANGBANK LOCAL PRIORITIES**Health and wellbeing**

The Local Partnership want to make sure people are aware of and can access health services, to support both physical and mental health. This includes community-led health services too. The Partnership also think tackling social isolation is key to improving health across the area.

Connectivity

The Local Partnership want to see places across Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank better connected to each other, and to the wider area. They want to see provision of good quality public transport, but also safe, clean and green routes for walking and cycling.

Village identity

The Local Partnership want to support the individual identity and history of each of its villages. A key part of this should be local events which celebrate this identity, and better communication of what's on across the area to support this.

Planning and environment

The Local Partnership want to be involved in, and influence, planning decisions, and are particularly interested in land ownership and use. The Partnership see this as key to supporting a clean and green area, which includes street cleanliness issues at a local level, but also wider green issues such as low carbon.

Community empowerment

The Local Partnership want communities to be involved in, and influencing, decision making about the area. This includes making sure communities are well informed about local issues and looking at ways to get people involved such as participatory budgeting.

Key theme: Intergenerational work – The Local Partnership are particularly interested in building relationships between younger and older communities across the area and exploring how intergenerational work might support their Local Priorities.

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**Celebrating Renfrewshire
Participatory Budgeting Results
September 2019
CONFIDENTIAL**



Introduction

Renfrewshire Council commissioned Young Scot to manage an online vote for a participatory budgeting exercise taking place in September 2019. This was branded as the 'Celebrating Renfrewshire' event.

Young Scot Supported the vote in two ways. Firstly, a campaign was created at the Young Scot website, young.scot. This campaign allowed young people to check out the projects before the vote went live and also allowed the projects themselves to check the information that they had supplied. After the vote is complete we will change the campaign page to reflect the winning projects.

Secondly, voting took place online using the Young Scot online voting platform. Young people were able to vote using a valid Young Scot card issued in Renfrewshire or by using one of 10,000 temporary numbers that were issued to Renfrewshire Council staff. The vote was open to all young people aged 12-25 in the area. We know that the vast majority of young people in the area have been issued with a Young Scot card. Renfrewshire Council staff handled the issuing of temporary numbers with a robust process to ensure that young people were not issued with more than one number.

Voting took place from 08.00 on 16th September 2019 until 18:00 on the 25th September 2019 .

One vote was held with seven geographic areas as constituencies. Young people logged into the system using their Young Scot card number or a temporary number issued by Renfrewshire Council staff. Young people then had to choose one of the seven geographic constituencies based on the Local Partnership Boundaries within Renfrewshire. Each card number or temporary number allowed that young person to vote in any one, but only one constituency. Young people were then presented with between 12 and 30 projects to choose from. Voters had to use 3 equal votes, with only one vote being allocated to any one project. This gave a first past the post result.

Voting could be carried out using a computer, phone or other internet device. Renfrewshire Youth Services promoted the vote by visiting schools and youth groups around the area.

Voting summary:

3402 individual young people voted in total

10206 choices were made in total – (exactly 3 choices per person)

There were **0** spoiled ballots (spoiled ballots are when less or more than 3 choices are made)

Results

The results of the seven areas are as follows:

Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank

348 valid votes, with **1044** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
Erskine Music & Media Studio	£3,000.00	1	140	£3,000.00
Erskine Youth Council	£2,918.90	2	114	£2,918.90
Lamont Farm Project	£3,000.00	3	112	£3,000.00
Park Mains Community Sports Hub	£3,000.00	4	110	£3,000.00
ST. MIRREN YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB	£3,000.00	5	98	£3,000.00
Renfrewshire Carers Centre	£1,693.71	6	80	£1,693.71
I Am Me Scotland	£3,000.00	7	77	£3,000.00
Renfrewshire Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament	£2,961.60	8	65	£675.39
Bishopton Tennis Club (BTC)	£1,820.00	9	58	
Breahead Junior Ice Hockey Club	£372.00	10	48	
Young Enterprise Scotland - Renfrewshire Area	£2,500.00	11	36	
Paisley Pirates Ice Hockey Club	£2,000.00	12	33	
The Boys Brigade, Paisley & District Battallion	£1,000.00	13	31	
Renfrewshire effort to empower minorities	£2,500.00	14	26	
SCG JUNIOR (STRONGER COMMUNITIES GLENBURN)	£3,000.00	15	16	
Total votes	£35,766.21		1044	£20,288.00

634 valid votes, with **1902** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
Gleniffer High School (sports leaders)	£2,900.00	1	456	£2,900.00
Gleniffer High School (gymnastics)	£2,500.00	2	378	£2,500.00
I Am Me Scotland	£3,000.00	3	176	£3,000.00
Renfrewshire Carers Centre	£1,693.71	4	116	£1,693.71
Renfrewshire Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament	£2,961.60	5	113	£2,961.60
Lamont Farm Project	£3,000.00	6	89	£3,000.00
Foxbar and Glenburn Outdoor group (Club)	£3,000.00	7	88	£3,000.00
Foxbar and Glenburn Outdoor group (Residential)	£2,220.00	8	83	£805.69
Glenburn GoZone Youth Club	£1,747.00	9	82	
Breahead Junior Ice Hockey Club	£372.00	10	81	
The Boys Brigade, Paisley & District Battalion	£1,000.00	11	69	
Stronger Communities Glenburn	£1,474.40	12	64	
Young Enterprise Scotland - Renfrewshire Area	£2,500.00	13	42	
SCG JUNIOR (STRONGER COMMUNITIES GLENBURN)	£3,000.00	14	38	
Renfrewshire effort to empower minorities	£2,500.00	15	27	
Total votes	£33,868.71		1902	£19,861.00

Johnstone and Linwood

594 valid votes, with **1782** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
Johnstone High School	£1,890.00	1	198	£1,890.00
Johnstone Castle Learning Centre	£3,000.00	2	165	£3,000.00
Renfrewshire Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament	£2,961.60	3	137	£2,961.60
Linstone Housing Association	£3,000.00	4	134	£3,000.00
I Am Me Scotland	£3,000.00	5	125	£3,000.00
Linwood High School	£3,000.00	6	117	£3,000.00
Renfrewshire Carers Centre	£1,693.71	6	117	£1,693.71
YOUTH INTERVENTIONS SCO46578	£3,000.00	8	107	£3,000.00
Linwood, Johnstone and Gryffe Community Sport Hub	£3,000.00	9	101	£151.69
Active Communities Youth Drop In	£2,400.00	10	92	
CREATE Paisley	£2,875.00	11	67	
Lapwing Lodge Campstaff	£2,500.00	12	60	
Fordbank Scout Group	£2,889.41	13	57	
West Johnstone Youth Club	£2,250.00	14	57	
Lamont Farm Project	£3,000.00	15	48	
Class Acts	£2,311.00	16	45	
The Boys Brigade, Paisley & District Battalion	£1,000.00	17	35	
Renfrewshire District Scouts	£1,584.00	18	32	
SCG JUNIOR (STRONGER COMMUNITIES GLENBURN)	£3,000.00	19	30	
Young Enterprise Scotland - Renfrewshire Area	£2,500.00	19	30	
Renfrewshire effort to empower minorities	£2,500.00	21	28	
Total votes	£53,354.72		1782	£21,697.00

Paisley East

370 valid votes, with **1110** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
St Andrew's Academy PE Department	£3,000.00	1	302	£3,000.00
I Am Me Scotland	£3,000.00	2	95	£3,000.00
CREATE Paisley (5 ways)	£2,964.00	3	74	£2,964.00
Renfrewshire Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament (smart bus)	£2,961.60	4	68	£2,961.60
Renfrewshire Carers Centre	£1,693.00	5	65	£1,693.00
Sport for Change	£1,475.00	5	65	£1,475.00
Loud N Proud	£3,000.00	7	63	£3,000.00
CREATE Paisley (cafe)	£2,934.00	8	53	£2,934.00
Alba Thistle BC 2003	£1,500.00	9	45	£1,500.00
Young Enterprise Scotland - Renfrewshire Area	£2,500.00	10	42	£1,567.40
CREATE Paisley (wellbeing)	£2,000.00	11	37	
The Boys Brigade, Paisley & District Battallion	£1,000.00	12	36	
Kustom Kruizers CIC	£1,175.00	13	35	
CREATE Paisley (documentary)	£1,950.00	14	31	
Renfrewshire Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament (M.A.D.)	£655.00	15	29	
Lamont Farm Project	£3,000.00	16	27	
SCG JUNIOR (STRONGER COMMUNITIES GLENBURN)	£3,000.00	17	25	
Renfrewshire effort to empower minorities	£2,500.00	18	18	
Total votes	£40,307.60		1110	£24,095.00

Paisley North, West and Central

589 valid votes, with **1767** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Requested	Rank	votes	Awarded
Paisley YMCA	£3,000.00	1	185	£3,000.00
Loud N Proud	£3,000.00	2	179	£3,000.00
Mary Russell Youth Club	£1,100.00	3	138	£1,100.00
Own Yer Bike	£2,980.35	4	115	£2,980.35
Pals of the Privies	£3,000.00	5	113	£3,000.00
Cameron Dance School	£2,600.00	6	89	£2,600.00
CREATE Paisley (ambassadors)	£2,000.00	7	77	£2,000.00
Kibble Education and Care Centre	£2,800.00	8	73	£2,800.00
CREATE Paisley (5 ways)	£2,964.00	9	72	£652.65
Renfrewshire Carers Centre	£1,693.00	10	68	
The STAR Project	£3,000.00	11	64	
I Am Me Scotland	£3,000.00	12	53	
CREATE Paisley (documentary)	£1,950.00	13	50	
Storm Gymnastics	£3,000.00	14	43	
Renfrewshire Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament (smart bus)	£2,961.60	15	42	
YOUTH INTERVENTIONS	£3,000.00	15	42	
Lamont Farm Project	£3,000.00	17	41	
Paisley West Community Sports Hub	£3,000.00	18	39	
Renfrewshire Youth Voice	£3,000.00	18	39	
CREATE Paisley (cafe plus)	£2,934.00	20	38	
The Boys Brigade, Paisley & District Battallion	£1,000.00	21	28	
Lapwing Lodge Campstaff	£2,500.00	22	27	
Renfrewshire Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament (M.A.D.)	£655.00	22	27	
Paisley FM (2017) Ltd	£2,880.00	24	23	
Renfrewshire Bowling Association Under 25's	£2,500.00	24	23	
SCG JUNIOR (STRONGER COMMUNITIES GLENBURN)	£3,000.00	26	21	
7th Paisley J.N.I. Scout Troop	£2,804.00	27	17	
Lifers Youth	£1,550.00	28	15	
Renfrewshire effort to empower minorities	£2,500.00	29	13	
Young Enterprise Scotland - Renfrewshire Area	£2,500.00	29	13	
Total votes	£75,871.95		1767	£21,133.00

720 valid votes, with **2160** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
Renfrew High Pupil Leaders	£3,000.00		399	£3,000.00
Young Ambassadors	£3,000.00		260	£3,000.00
Renfrewshire Carers Centre	£1,693.71		228	£1,693.71
I Am Me Scotland	£3,000.00		199	£3,000.00
Renfrew YMCA SCIO	£639.66		186	£639.66
Renfrewshire Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament	£2,961.60		174	£2,961.60
Lamont Farm Project	£3,000.00		145	£3,000.00
Young Enterprise Scotland - Renfrewshire Area	£2,500.00		115	£1,362.03
Renfrewshire Bowling Association Under 25's	£2,500.00		103	
The Boys Brigade, Paisley & District Battallion	£1,000.00		95	
Renfrewshire effort to empower minorities	£2,500.00		94	
Kustom Kruizers CIC	£1,175.00		90	
SCG JUNIOR (STRONGER COMMUNITIES GLENBURN)	£3,000.00		72	
Total votes	£29,969.97		2160	£18,657.00

The villages

147 valid votes, with **441** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
Renfrewshire Carers Centre	£1,693.00		70	£1,693.00
Linwood, Johnstone and Gryffe Community Sport Hub	£3,000.00		64	£3,000.00
Johnstone Burgh Football Team	£3,000.00		61	£3,000.00
I Am Me Scotland	£3,000.00		45	£3,000.00
Breahead Junior Ice Hockey Club	£372.00		37	£372.00
Renfrewshire Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament	£2,961.60		36	£2,961.60
Lapwing Lodge campstaff	£2,500.00		33	£2,500.00
Lamont Farm Project	£3,000.00		27	£3,000.00
The Boys Brigade, Paisley & District Battalion	£1,000.00		22	£1,000.00
Elderslie Youth Connect	£500.00		18	£500.00
Young Enterprise Scotland - Renfrewshire Area	£2,500.00		17	£2,500.00
Renfrewshire effort to empower minorities	£2,500.00		11	£82.40
Total votes	£26,026.60		441	£23,609.00

Conclusions

The celebrating Renfrewshire vote was a success with a total of XXXX voting young people. This represents a great achievement from young people and the staff of Renfrewshire and ypung scot hope to be able to support similar votes in the future.

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