

**To: Paisley East Local Partnership**

**On: 6 September 2023**

**Report by:**  
Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Council

**TITLE:**  
**Paisley East Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report**

**1. Summary**

- 1.1 Paisley East 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, the Youth Challenge Fund.
- 1.2 A table setting out the funds allocated by Paisley East Local Partnership in 2023/24 is attached as an appendix to this report. Feedback reports received from projects funded in 2022/23 are also attached.

**2. Recommendation**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the budget monitoring report be noted.

## Appendix 1

### Paisley East Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report 2023/24

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>£51,697.00 (net of Members expenses)</b>
<b>Common Good Fund</b>	<b>£12,400.00</b>
<b>Total Funding Awards</b>	<b>£64,087.33</b>
<b>Available</b>	<b>£ 9.67</b>

Grant Ref	Organisation	Awarded	Paid	Still to be paid
FR1041	REEM (Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities)	£996.00	£996.00	£0.00
FR1042	Paisley Society of Model Engineers	£3,825.00	£3,825.00	£0.00
FR1045	REEM (Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities)	£1,125.00	£1,125.00	£0.00
FR1049	Dates-n-Mates	£6,000.00	£6,000.00	£0.00
FR1051	The Renfrewshire Toy Bank	£1,350.00	£1,350.00	£0.00
FR1055	Renfrewshire Walking Network	£427.50	£427.50	£0.00
FR1056	Paisley Peoples Archive.	£525.00	£525.00	£0.00
FR1061	Paisley Pirates IHC	£1,005.91	£1,005.91	£0.00
FR1063	Paisley sea cadets/Brediland hall	£378.48	£378.48	£0.00
FR1064	Fèis Phàislig	£4,266.00	£4,266.00	£0.00
FR1066	Active Communities (Scotland) Ltd	£3,037.50	£3,037.50	£0.00
FR1069	Impact Arts (Projects) Ltd	£5,625.00	£5,625.00	£0.00
FR1074	SSAFA's Glasgow's Helping Heroes	£3,770.48	£3,770.48	£0.00
FR1080	Meikleriggs Cricket Foundation	£1,875.00	£1,875.00	£0.00
FR1083	Kelburne Cricket Club Cricket Section	£2,925.00	£2,925.00	£0.00
FR1092	5th Paisley (Oldhall) Scout Group	£1,875.00	£1,875.00	£0.00
FR1097	RIG Arts	£5,504.25	£5,504.25	£0.00
FR1100	Rainbow Turtle	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	£0.00
FR1104	Friends of Barshaw park	£5,887.50	£5,887.50	£0.00
FR1108	Ralston Playgroup	£1,875.00	£1,875.00	£0.00
FR1110	school of African Cultures	£3,142.50	£3,142.50	£0.00
FR1111	Scotia Trampoline Academy	£3,750.00	£3,750.00	£0.00
FR1152	Renfrewshire Access Panel	£1,921.21	£0.00	£1,921.21

**Celebrating Renfrewshire Fund****Total funding available in 2023/24       £24,095.00****Total funding awarded in 2023/24       £24,095.00****Available funding                               £0.00**

Grant Ref	Organisation	Awarded	Paid	Still to be paid
CE1005	7th Paisley & District J.N.I. Scout Group	£1,000.00	£0.00	£1,000.00
CE1007	Bungalow Enterprises CIC	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1017	Girls Brigade Clyde Division	£937.00	£937.00	£0.00
CE1024	Kelburne Cricket Club	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	£0.00
CE1025	Kelburne Hockey & Community Sports Club	£3,500.00	£0.00	£3,500.00
CE1028	Loud n Proud	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1032	Paisley Pirates Ice Hockey Supporters Club	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1033	Paisley Rugby Football Club	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1036	Rainbow Turtle	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1041	Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities	£800.00	£800.00	£0.00
CE1042	Renfrewshire Youth Voice	£1,000.00	£0.00	£1,000.00
CE1043	Rig Arts	£3,358.00	£3,358.00	£0.00
CE1049	St. Andrew's Academy	£3,000.00	£0.00	£3,000.00
CE1051	Storm Gymnastics	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1057	Who Cares? Scotland	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00

**Feedback On Local Partnership Awards 2022/23**

Community groups awarded funding from the Local Partnership in 2022/23 were asked to provide feedback regarding the progress of their project and benefit to the local community.

Feedback received is as follows:

**Feedback previously reported**

FR No.	Organisation Name	Project Name	Award
FR1089	Shopmobility Paisley & District	Partnership Working with Inchinnan Development Trust and Paisley Darkside Historical Walking Tours	£645.00
FR1042	Paisley Pirates IHC	Provision of Ice	£1,171.90
FR1055	C-Change Scotland	Dates n Mates	£2,000.00
FR1062	Renfrewshire Toy Bank	Renfrewshire Toy Bank	£571.20
FR1113	Kelburne Cricket Club - Cricket Section	Expansion of community coaching programme	£3,339.00
FR1128	Paisley Sea Cadets / Brediland Hall	Hall Improvements / Running Costs	£270.00

FR1150	School of African Cultures	Karibu Hub Centre	£2,160.00
FR1099	ROAR - Connections for Life Lunch Club	Well-Connected	£1,960.00
FR1097	ROAR - Connections for Life Walking Football	Well-Connected	£1,750.00
FR1072	Oakshaw Trinity Friendly Hour	Oakshaw Trinity Friendly Hour	£500.00
FR1092	Friends of Barshaw Park	Barshaw , Sustaining a proud, healthy, safe, inclusive community. Community	£3,500.00
FR1094	Active Communities	Jingle Bell Run	£2,695.00
FR1096	Meikleriggs Cricket Foundation	Community Cricket Coaching	£1,750.00
FR1104	Mossvale Community Church	Sewing 2gether All Nations	£800.00
FR1119	Ferguslie Cricket Club	Ground Equipment Investment	£1,400.00
FR1132	St Marks Oldhall Church	Accessible toilet and wheelchair friendly flooring	£7,000.00
FR1133	The Wynd Centre	Adolescent Counselling	£460.00
FR1148	Renfrewshire Access Panel	Accessibiity for All	£781.86
FR1163	Paisley & District Battalion - the Boys Brigade	BB Development Funding	£1,000.00

### **Feedback received since May 23 meeting**

#### Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Lamont Farm Project

#### Section 2

2.1 Project Name Lamont Farm Project

2.2 Total Amount Received £2900

2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

2.4 What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on?

Core Running Costs – used on resources to keep the farm running to be able to deliver the educational projects that we run

#### Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

Thousands – we do not monitor who comes from specific areas

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

Throughout the past year we hosted many schools and nursery groups from the Renfrewshire area, ran workshops for children during the holidays, hosted work experience placements, integrated new children into our junior volunteering programme and entertained visitors from the area of all ages on a daily basis

## Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Bungalow Enterprises CIC

## Section 2

2.1 Project Name Older Adults Music Club

2.2 Total Amount Received £2874.58

2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

The aim of our project was to reduce isolation and kick-start an Older Adult Music Club. It was an opportunity for older adults to meet people, socialize and laugh whilst investing in their physical and mental health through this wellbeing project.

2.4 What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on?

The grant paid for a sound engineer and an entertainment host who delivered a quiz, introduced a weekly act and organized a jam session. There was tea/coffee and a buffet each week.

## Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

A regular group of 20 on average attended every week for 10 weeks giving a total of 200 over the period of the project.

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

The project introduced people to a new place to go and meet new friends. The feedback from those who attended

- Got them out of the house.
- Walking to the Bungalow helped their general fitness and well-being.
- It was the first day out they had had for a long time.
- Some got up on stage and sang or played an instrument for the first time in a long time which made them feel that they had achieved something.

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## Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Loud n Proud

## Section 2

2.1 Project Name Future Music

2.2 Total Amount Received £2060

2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

Education was our main priority. We wanted to provide a new generation with opportunities to learn new skills on computer-based music using the latest sound equipment and keyboards. This was an introduction to using the latest tools in music.

2.4 What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on?  
We wanted to deliver workshops and lessons in Music Production to help young people explore and develop new skills in music and nurture their talents using a digital multimedia studio.

### Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

We had a total of 43 young people who attended the workshops.

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

The project gave young people new skills that they will be able to use in music, mainly recording and song writing. The skills are transferable and added to their general digital skills and other IT based areas.

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### Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Ralston Community Council

### Section 2

2.1 Project Name Ralston Fun Day

2.2 Total Amount Received £3360

2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

We wanted the event to bring the community together, offering a wide range of activities to improve health and well-being through fun and socialising and to protect and promote our community identity.

2.4 What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on?

The grant money was used as planned – hiring of equipment – let for the site, tables and chairs hire, insurance, first aid, printing/advertising/marketing, inflatables, arts and crafts and face-painting, a clown and music.

### Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

Approximately 750 people

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

It brought the community together to participate in lots of fun activities, arts and crafts, sports and games and generally socialise with neighbours, friends, and family. The age range is from babies and, toddlers all the way through to people in their 70s and 80s. Many local groups were in attendance – St Marks Church, Ralston Skills (football) celebrated their anniversary, the Art Club, the Scouts, the BB, After School club, Parents (school) Council.

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## Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Charleston tenants and residents' association

## Section 2

2.1 Project Name Upkeep of community garden

2.2 Total Amount Received £820

2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

To provide a safe and accessible community area for the residents of the High flats and maisonettes where they can meet to either help out in the garden or just sit and enjoy the garden.

2.4 What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on?

We wanted replacement bark, flowers and herbs, camera, greenhouse, rain butt, tools and paint. We bought everything except the camera as we are in dispute with the council as to where we are allowed to put it. (The money for it is still in the account)

## Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

It is available to all 465 households to use and anyone else who likes to sit in it.

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

We have created a lovely area for the residents to enjoy either working or just enjoying the garden. We have grown potatoes, onions, leeks and rhubarb which are now ready for the tenants to make use of. A few of the elderly neighbours are enjoying sitting chatting in the garden as previously they had to go to Brodie Park. We installed a beautiful picnic bench so there is plenty of seating.

Unfortunately, the tenants association has folded so we have a new name Charleston Community Garden Club.

## Section 1

1.1 Organisation Name Renfrewshire Witch Hunt 1697

## Section 2

2.1 Project Name Renfrewshire Witch Hunt 1697/Gallow Green Project

2.2 Total Amount Received £2474.58

2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

- RWH Outreach – Engage with community. Setting up engaging workshops to breakdown isolation within the community. Through the retelling of this dark history with youth and charity groups, learning about intolerance within society and how it is viewed today through digital and social media.
- Gallow Green Project – To create a greenspace in the westend of Paisley with historical significance. Engaging the local community into the maintenance and use of the Gallow Green.

## 2.4 What did you want to do with the money & what did you spend it on?

RWH Outreach – we did not receive the financial support we requested so our achievable parameters were severely downgraded.

- Buying new sewing equipment to make new re enactment costumes. Not funded.
- Buying and upcycling fabric etc for costumes. Not funded.
- Outreach workshops (storytelling, awareness raising, seed bomb making,) Bought new display boards and generating new information for boards. Buying supplies for seed bombing. Achieved funding.
- Taking outreach workshops and community engagement throughout Renfrewshire. Not Funded.
- Development of the Gallow Green site as a contemplative garden Engaging with community in maintenance of site – two community litter picks. Achieved.
- Promoting events to publicise the story of the witch hunt and the last known site of the Gallow Green as a historical site – promoting, advertising, sourcing an all weather shelter, buying of safety equipment. Achieved.
- Marketing and promotions (signage for the garden with a QR code telling the story)
- Buying plants and seeds for site and seed bombing – due to the funding being awarded late (Nov'22), we missed the window of opportunity to plant in the autumn. -we bought various indigenous wildflower seeds, for events, saplings for site.

## Section 3 – Impact

### 3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

- We requested funding from all LAP areas.
- Gallow Green project request from Paisley West and Paisley East – through onsite events and walks we estimate a reach of 350+
- RWH Outreach requested funding from all areas (apart from above Paisley areas,) but only Gleniffer supported funding – through onsite events at Gallow Green site, walks, Girlguiding #Renfriends events, talks at SWI, talks with 'Witches of Scotland' at 'Aye write' festival, increase our social media presence - we estimate a reach of 450+ within Renfrewshire, 421+ nationally.

### 3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

- Local people learning about the story of Christian Shaw raising awareness of the injustices of 17th Century witch hunt.
- Girls aged of all ages learned of an important piece of local history and the importance of fighting against intolerance, intolerance and bullying.
- Girls of all ages making seed bombs and planting them in the garden as well as taking them home for their own outdoor spaces.
- Long term unemployed/people with long term conditions learning new skills in Augmented Reality, filming and editing for the QR code plaque in the garden.



- Local people attending events x 3, participating in walks, storytelling and music
- Local community groups engaging in the storytelling of the history of the witch hunt.

<https://studiofv.co.uk/video-production/>

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1.1 Organisation Name: Darkwood Crew – Helping Ferguslie Flourish

## Section 2

2.1 Project Name: Community Market Goes Mobile

2.2 Total Amount Received: £800.00

2.3 What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?

## Tackling Food Poverty

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).

The project sought to provide Williamsburgh Housing Association with 200 vouchers to distribute amongst tenants experiencing food insecurity enabling them a free food parcel delivery from Ferguslie Community Market. Further support was provided by way of 40 food parcels at 2 separate community events in partnership with RIG Arts as part of Williamsburgh HA ongoing community engagement program following on and building on the success and popularity of social isolation bingo bus sessions the previous year. Unfortunately, due to increased food costs we were unable to support a 3rd community event as originally intended.

## Section 3 – Impact

3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?

280 households experiencing food insecurity benefited from the project by way of a comprehensive food parcel.

3.2 How did your project benefit people in the community?

The project benefited Williamsburgh Housing Association tenants who is the main social landlord in the Seedhill Area and wider East Paisley Area. These areas have also been highlighted as having very little by way of social capital, and community spirit and further lack adequate dignified provisions in respect of food insecurity and isolation & loneliness. Our project helped create a necessary support mechanism that could be utilised at both Williamsburgh HA and RIG Arts staff discretion in a dignified and stigma-free way. Supporting the community engagement events helped eradicate the stigma often associated with asking for help and allowed for organic support networks amongst neighbours to form and grow.