

Minute of Meeting Paisley North Local Area Committee

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 24 May 2018	18:00	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

Present

Councillor Jennifer Marion Adam-McGregor, Councillor Carolann Davidson, Councillor Neill Graham, Councillor Karen Kennedy, Councillor Kenny MacLaren, Councillor John McIntyre, Councillor John McNaughtan, Councillor Will Mylet, Councillor Jim Sharkey

Chair

Councillor Adam-McGregor, Convener, presided.

Community Representatives

I Williams, Environmental Training Team; J McIntyre, Ferguslie Community Council; J Theodore, Hawkhead & Lochfield Community Council; M Dymond, Maxwellton Court Tenants' Association; D Williams, Oakshaw Residents Association; H Dykes, Paisley West & Central Community Council; M Dillon, Paisley North Community Council; J Wilby, Paisley West & Central Community Council; M Fernie, Ralston Community Council; and J McQuade, Renfrewshire Visually Impaired Forum.

Community Planning Partner

Chief Inspector Martin Gallagher (Police Scotland).

In Attendance

S Graham, Partnerships Planning and Development Manager and A Armstrong-Walter, Strategic Partnerships and Inequalities Manager (both Chief Executive's); C Dalrymple, Regulatory and Enforcement Manager (Environment and Communities); and J Lynch, Head of Property (Lead Officer), D Low, Senior Committee Services Officer (LACs) and E Currie, Senior Committee Services Officer (all Finance & Resources).

Apology

Councillor M MacLaren.

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Mylet declared a non-financial interest in relation to item 6 of the agenda in relation to the application for Local Area Committee (LAC) funding submitted by Oldhall Scout Group and indicated his intention to leave the meeting during consideration of the application and not to take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

Councillor Sharkey declared a non-financial interest in relation to item 6 of the agenda in relation to the application for LAC funding submitted by Bumblebee Babies and indicated his intention to remain in the meeting but not to take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

Order of Business

In terms of Standing Order 16, the Convener intimated that in relation to item 6 of the agenda she proposed to alter the order of business to facilitate the conduct of the meeting by considering the application for LAC funding from Alzheimer Scotland prior to the application for LAC funding from CREATE Paisley.

1 Community Safety and Public Protection Update

There was submitted a report by the Director of Environment and Communities providing a progress update on Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership activities carried out in the Paisley North LAC area during the period 1 January to 31 March 2017.

The report provided information on Paisley North community safety statistics; environmental enforcement and improvement activities; protecting vulnerable residents; building safer communities; and diversionary activities.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

2 Update on the Review of Community Level Governance Arrangements

Under reference to item 3 of the Minute of the meeting of this LAC held on 22 February 2018 there was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the review of community-level governance arrangements.

The report intimated that a second consultation took place early in 2018 based on a set of nine proposals for a new model which were developed following an engagement exercise around the existing model of LACs. Responses to the nine proposals were sought through electronic and paper-based surveys, LAC meetings, public meetings and drop-in sessions, facilitated sessions and attendance at meetings of community organisations. The report which set out the responses to the consultation arrangement and which had been agreed at the meeting of Renfrewshire Council held on 3 May 2018 was appended to the report.

DECIDED:

(a) That the responses to the second phase of consultation on the review of community-level governance arrangements be noted; and

(b) That the arrangements for development and implementation of finalised proposals regarding the review be noted.

3 Open Session/Key Local Issues

The Senior Committee Services Officer (LACs) advised that no questions had been submitted for consideration at the Open Session.

DECIDED: That it be noted that no questions had been submitted for consideration at the Open Session.

4 Budget Monitoring

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to the Paisley North LAC budget for 2018/19, totalling £124,628 consisting of £77,618 General Grant Fund, £13,000 Paisley Common Good Fund and £34,010 Youth Challenge Fund. The appendix to the report detailed the expenditure committed by the LAC in 2017/18.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

5 Grant Feedback Report - 2017/18 Awards

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to feedback received from applicants who had received funding from this LAC in 2017/18.

The report intimated that providing regular feedback to LACs increased accountability and helped LACs identify clear community outcomes from grants awarded to community groups. It was also a condition of grant that groups account for their income and expenditure and set out the community benefits and other outcomes of their LAC grant awards.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

6 Applications for Local Area Committee Grant Funding

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to applications received for local area committee funding.

DECIDED: That the applications for funding be determined as follows:-

SINGLE AREA AWARDS

Whitehaugh Tenants' and Residents' Association – adaptation to meeting room at Kelburne Cricket Club

Councillor Kenny MacLaren, seconded by Councillor Mylet, moved that consideration of the application be continued.

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Adam-McGregor, moved as an amendment that an award of £7,190 be made.

In terms of Standing Order 30 the Convener intimated that the vote would be by a show of hands.

On a vote being taken, 7 members voted for the amendment and 2 members voted for the motion. The amendment was accordingly declared carried and an award of £7,190 was made.

Cotton Club – Castle Semple activities for older people – Awarded £1,400

8th Paisley Boys' Brigade – events to celebrate 125th anniversary – Awarded £4,100

Anchor Bowling Club – replacement of bowling green banking

Councillor Mylet, seconded by Councillor Adam-McGregor, moved that consideration of the application be continued.

Councillor Graham, seconded by Councillor McIntyre, moved as an amendment that an award of £10,000 be made.

In terms of Standing Order 30 the Convener intimated that the vote would be by a show of hands.

On a vote being taken, 3 members voted for the amendment and 4 members voted for the motion. The motion was accordingly declared carried and consideration of the application was continued.

Renfrewshire Leisure Active Schools Active Schools – extra-curricular sports clubs

Councillor Adam-McGregor, seconded by Councillor McNaughtan, moved that an award of £9,500 be made.

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Kennedy, moved as an amendment that the application be declined.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Adam-McGregor, Graham, K MacLaren, McIntyre, McNaughtan and Mylet.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Davidson, Kennedy and Sharkey.

6 members having voted for the motion and 3 members having voted for the amendment, the motion was accordingly declared carried and that an award of £9,500 be made.

Renfrewshire Environmental Trust – creation of raised garden beds at the Disability Resource Centre – Awarded £1,000

The Tannahill Centre – ‘Activate’ course costs

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved that the application be declined.

Councillor Adam-McGregor, seconded by Councillor McNaughtan, moved as an amendment that an award of £5,000 be made.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, Graham, Kennedy, K MacLaren, McIntyre, McNaughtan and Mylet.

2 members having voted for the motion and 7 members having voted for the amendment, the amendment was accordingly declared carried and that an award of £5,000 be made.

Cameron Dance Group – hall hire for display and dress rehearsal – Awarded £2,000

Friends of Barshaw Park – redesign of garden area – Awarded £10,000 in principle subject to receipt of further information

Spinningdale Residents’ Association – maintenance of grass banking

Councillor Kennedy, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved that an award of £900 be made.

Councillor Adam-McGregor, seconded by Councillor Mylet, moved as an amendment that the application be declined.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Davidson, Kennedy and Sharkey.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Adam-McGregor, Graham, K MacLaren, McIntyre, McNaughtan and Mylet.

3 members having voted for the motion and 6 members having voted for the amendment, the amendment was accordingly declared carried and that the application be declined.

The New Tannahill Centre – youth project – Awarded £4,245

Active Communities – multi-partner youth project – Awarded £8,870

Active Communities – Jingle Bell run – Awarded £3,500

Paisley Abbey – installation of a defibrillator – Awarded £1,500

39th Paisley Guides – attendance at international camp – Awarded £3,775

MULTI-AREA AWARDS

Lamont Farm – provision of animal care and welfare facilities

Councillor Adam-McGregor, seconded by Councillor MacLaren, moved that an award be made pro-rata.

Councillor Davidson, seconded by Councillor Kennedy, moved as an amendment that an award of £2,000 be made.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Adam-McGregor, K MacLaren, McNaughtan and Mylet.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Davidson, Graham, Kennedy, McIntyre and Sharkey.

4 members having voted for the motion and 5 members having voted for the amendment, the amendment was accordingly declared carried and that an award of £2,000 be made.

The Boys' Brigade Paisley & District Battalion – local events and activities – Awarded £500

I Am Me Scotland – Make a Difference project – Awarded £1,600

Cornerstone Drop In Centre – utilities and insurance costs for crisis drop in activities – Awarded £300

Paisley Pirates Ice Hockey Club – ice hire costs – Awarded £2,000

Rainbow Turtle – active global citizens programme – Awarded £1,600

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Mylet having declared an interest in the following application for LAC funding left the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

5th Paisley Oldhall Scouts – kitchen upgrade – Awarded £1,775

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Councillor Mylet returned to the meeting.

Renfrewshire Bowling Association Under 25s – running costs – Awarded £600

Alba Thistle AFC – hire of training and playing facilities and purchase of equipment – Awarded £400

Meikleriggs Cricket Foundation – cricket coaching project for young people – Awarded £5,000

Ferguslie Cricket Club – upgrade to shower, changing and toilet areas - Declined

Ferguslie Cricket Club – installation of new heating and lighting systems - Declined

Renfrewshire Out of School Network – fun activity day for children – Awarded £400

Twist and Hit Cheerleaders – provision of specialist training and equipment to promote inclusivity – Awarded £2,245 in principle subject to receipt of further information.

Braehead Junior Ice Hockey Club – ice hire and equipment – Awarded £655

The Renfrewshire Walking Network – production of booklets and promotional material – Awarded £600

Phoenix Flyers – upgrading of equipment – Awarded £900

Fitting-in – educational project for ‘at risk’ young people – Awarded £1,020

The Wynd Centre – provision of youth counselling facilities – Awarded £900

The Wynd Centre – provision of adult counselling facilities – Awarded £900

Rays of Hope – activities and equipment to help cancer sufferers – Awarded £2,000

Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities – operation of drop-in centre – Awarded £1,753

Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities – promotion of Black History month

Councillor K MacLaren, seconded by Councillor Adam-McGregor, moved that an award be made pro-rata.

Councillor Sharkey, seconded by Councillor Davidson, moved as an amendment that an award of £2,000 be made.

On a vote being taken, the following members voted for the motion: Councillors Adam-McGregor, K MacLaren, McNaughtan and Mylet.

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors Davidson, Graham, Kennedy, McIntyre and Sharkey.

4 members having voted for the motion and 5 members having voted for the amendment, the amendment was accordingly declared carried and that an award of £2,000 be made.

Forever Young – fitness programme – Awarded £1,625

Feis Phaisleg – traditional music project – Awarded £1,762.80

Renfrewshire Youth Voice – Positive about Youth awards – Awarded £800

Renfrewshire Access Panel – office costs – Awarded £2,000

Paisley Florist Society Gardening Club – hall rental – Awarded £150

Shopmobility Paisley & District – postage materials and survey design – Awarded 300

Oakshaw Trinity Friendly Hour – provision of transport to meetings – Awarded £433

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Sharkey having declared an interest in the following application for LAC funding remained in the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

Bumblebee Babies – office equipment and materials for bereaved parents – Awarded £2,000

Return to Life SCIO – support for kidney transplantees and potential donors – Awarded £628

St James' Orchestra – conductor and tutor costs, hall hire and other expenses – Awarded 300

Greensyde Carers – camera equipment – Awarded £99.80

Storm Gymnastics – various mats and tracking – Awarded £1,047.80 in principle subject to receipt of further information.

Renfrewshire Visually Impaired Forum – software updates – Awarded 300

The Cathedral Club – social activities – Awarded £968

Paisley Guitar Club – running costs and group accessories – Awarded £1,600

The Breastfeeding Network – running costs of local element of project – Awarded £1,369

Loud N Proud – Charleston Drum project – Awarded £6,000

Renfrewshire Schools Pipe Band – transport and shelter – Noted that application had been withdrawn

Johnstone Pipe Band – new kilts, sporrans and jackets - Declined

Paisley Magic Circle – event to celebrate 80th anniversary of Paisley Magic Circle – Awarded a fixed percentage share of the balance

C-Change Scotland – Dates-n-Mates project – Declined

Alzheimer Scotland – cost of purchasing musical instruments – Awarded £200

CREATE Paisley – creative skills project – Awarded a fixed percentage share of the balance

Scottish Afro Caribbean Art Association – cost of staging Carnival – Awarded a fixed percentage share of the balance

Blueprint Scotland – office and rehearsal space and insurance – Awarded a fixed percentage share of the balance

Alzheimer Scotland – cost of purchasing musical instruments – Noted that this was a duplicate application in error.

St Mirren Netball Club – running costs – Awarded a fixed percentage share of the balance or in full if balance allowed

7 Date of Next Meeting

DECIDED: That it be noted that the next meeting of this LAC would be held at 6.00 pm on 23 August 2018 in the Council Chamber, Renfrewshire House.