

**To: Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership**

**On: 6 June 2024**

**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 provides funding to community groups to undertake projects. In 2023/24, the Local Partnership awarded £42,200.82 of funding to 14 organisations.
- 1.2 Community groups and organisations funded by the Local Partnerships are asked to provide feedback on their projects as part of their grant agreement. This report provides information on the feedback received from organisations funded by the Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership in 2023/24.

**2. Recommendation**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the feedback report be noted.

**Feedback On Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership Awards 2023/24**

Community groups awarded funding from Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership in 2023/24 were asked to provide feedback regarding the progress of their project and benefit to the local community.

**FR1127 - Bishopton Week Group**

**Section 2: About the activity you delivered.**

<p><b>2.1 What activities did you provide as part of the Local Partnerships?</b></p> <p>We started the week with music from 2 bands in the Community Centre. The following day we had a mini fun run for under 5-year-olds, a fun run for children and adults and a school pupils chess tournament at the Community Centre. During the week we held 3 magic shows for children and a children’s treasure hunt around the village. On Bishopton Day there was a parade with 4 large floats with children from each of the Primary Schools and a local team. A pipe band led the parade and children from dance schools walked with it. There was entertainment all day on the stage and in the arena and a large number of stalls with crafts, food, drink, tombolas and children’s games. The monthly farmer’s market also attended. We had a display from the fire service and from the Royal Marines. The library’s Skoobmobile bus also attended, we had a circus skills area and a large area with inflatables.</p>
<p><b>2.2 What do you think worked well about your activities?</b></p> <p>All the events during the week were very well attended. The magic shows sell out quickly. The parade attracts all ages to watch it go around the village and a lot of preparation is put into it by those involved. Bishopton Day ran very well with persons in charge of the running order on the stage and in the arena. The stalls were all very busy. It was very well attended. The move to wristbands with QR codes was very successful resulting in low queues to enter the ground.</p>
<p><b>2.3 Is there anything that you would change?</b></p> <p>We decided not to hold the concert with a band on the first night of Bishopton week this year as although popular, it was not cost effective. We found that a couple of the children’s games and rides were very overpriced so we have decided to change the suppliers this year.</p>
<p><b>2.4 Do you think that the Local Partnership activities you delivered had any of the following benefits for people attending? (Tick all that apply)</b></p>

Tackling isolation & loneliness	
Health & wellbeing	x
Environment & parks	
Roads & transport	
Moving around & connectivity	
Community & road safety	
Community facilities & public assets	x
Community identity & civic pride	x
Young people and/or intergenerational work	
Renfrew town centre & play facilities	

### Section 3 – Impact

#### **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 you reached in each Local Partnership area)

The concert sold around 80 tickets to over 18-year-olds.  
The fun run attracted about 250 adults and children.  
The chess competition involved pupils from 8 schools.  
180 children attended across the 3 Magic Shows.  
Around 50 children and adults participated in the Treasure Hunt.

We estimated that around 7500 attended on Bishopton Day based on the sale of wristbands which is for those aged 16 and over which was about 4000 and the number of children present.

#### **3.2 What impact has the Local Partnership programme had on members of your community?**

(Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)

Most of the stalls and nearly all the entertainment were people from the local community including: the primary schools, the Scouts, Girl Guiding, Bishopton Parish Church, the Library, the rugby, football and tennis clubs, Erskine Home, the Rotary club, dance schools and a variety of local small businesses. This enhanced the feeling of community togetherness and it also promoted access to local facilities and support networks.

#### **3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?**

(Please tell us what evidence you can provide that demonstrates the impact of your project, i.e., pictures, feedback, comments, and any other evidence you have collected through the delivery of the project. You can send this evidence electronically (by email)

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69 different stall holders attended on Bishopton Day, many with more than one pitch, that doesn't include the library bus, the fire service, the navy and the circus skills. Most have said already that they will return this year.

Examples of some emails we received (original emails are available):

'Thank you very much for today. Very well organised and successful for me. I had a great day. Can I request the same spot for next year as it was perfect for the shade for me.'

'I just wanted to pass along how much we all enjoyed Bishy Day. Hands down the best one yet. It was so well organised and the use of field meant it felt like there was plenty of space and stalls without it feeling crowded or empty. Really just a lovely day out- and that's what I've heard from everyone; even my husband (who doesn't really enjoy these things) said it was just a lovely, really nice day.'

'Hi thanks again for organising a brilliant day! Loved it! Can I register my interest for next year please?'

'Thank you so much for yesterday! KA Dance Community had a BLAST! We are emailing to put forward out interest to be included in the parade, have a stall and preform next year for 2024.'

'A+ Dance Academy would like to say a MASSIVE thank you for letting us take part in Bishopton day. We all had the most amazing and fun-filled day!!! Thank you so much for all your efforts and organisation, you put on a great day for everyone! Well done!!!'

### **3.4 How has the grant been spent?**

(Please provide a breakdown of the items or activities funded by the grant)

- (a) Item or Activity – list all the individual items or activities that your grant was spent on.
- (b) Actual total cost of the item/activity for the project – the amount spent on your activity.
- (c) Amount of Local Partnership grant spent on items/activities – how much was paid from your local Partnership award.

(If the Local Partnership grant funded your entire project costs, then the figures in B + C will be the same. The figure you put in should be the actual amounts. These may be different from the estimates in your application form)

Item or Activity (A)	Total Cost (B)	LP Spend (C)
£ Security for Bishopton day	£200	£200
£ Fencing for Bishopton day	£600	£600
£ Wristbands for entry	£554.40	£554.40

£ First Aid for Bishopton Day	£618	£618
<b>3.5 Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the Local Partnerships programme?</b>		
We really appreciate the support from the Local Partnerships programme and the fund helped us to deliver a very successful project to the community.		

### FR1099 – Bonnie Bishopton

#### 2.1 What activities did you provide as part of the Local Partnerships?

We purchased six additional street planters for our village. They augmented our existing planters allowing us to complete planters right along the Main Road. We also placed three of them in a row at the border of the Community Centre/Health Centre Road which improved and brightened this area. We bought compost, organic fertiliser pellets, and a variety of plants, shrubs and bulbs.

#### 2.2 What do you think worked well about your activities?

Completing the Main Road with end to end planters ( lot of space between them)  
Improving a neglected horrible area between the Community Centre and the Health Centre Road now villagers walk to the Health Centre past three bright and cheerful planters placed on nice bark. A huge improvement .

#### 2.3 Is there anything that you would change?

Not really. As always we could do with more street planters to have a bigger impact as at the moment they are fairly well spread out. However they are a good choice for us as they contain a water reservoir with capillaries and this makes watering in the heat of summer slightly easier, thus for us the higher cost is worth it as we are not a big group.

#### 2.4 Do you think that the Local Partnership activities you delivered had any of the following benefits for people attending? (Tick all that apply)

Tackling isolation & loneliness	Yes
Health & wellbeing	Yes

Environment & parks	Yes
Roads & transport	
Moving around & connectivity	
Community & road safety	
Community facilities & public assets	
Community identity & civic pride	Yes
Young people and/or intergenerational work	Yes
Renfrew town centre & play facilities	

### Section 3- Impact

#### **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 you reached in each Local Partnership area)

We have approximately twenty members who all enjoy our outdoor physical activity and indeed the social aspect of meeting new people and being part of something appreciated by our community.  
The local Brownie group assist us each year with planting in some of the planters thereby involving different generations together in a community project.  
All of the village benefit as they walk or sit at traffic lights in their car. When we are out working they always peep and give thumbs up to us.

#### **3.2 What impact has the Local Partnership programme had on members of your community?**

(Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)

As above really.  
The group slowly attracts new members who all bring different things. Many enjoy the physical gardening, others try to help raise funds and many good gardeners grow or split their own plants to add to ours.  
Also there is a learning process from listening to the highly experienced and knowledgeable gardeners to the simply keen gardeners. The public often stop and ask us questions about our plants so knowledge is shared with the community.

#### **3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?**

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to [communityplanning@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:communityplanning@renfrewshire.gov.uk) stating your groups name and 'Evidence' in the subject heading).

Facebook page feedback.

Verbal chats everyday we are out with the passing villagers.

Community Council feedback.

Email correspondence

Thank you given to our chemist and library funding tins, so many villagers ask to pass on their gratitude to us for brightening the village and they pop change or occasionally notes into our jars.

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Item or Activity (A)	Total Cost (B)	LP Spent
<b>Street Planters</b>	<b>£3273.73</b>	<b>same</b>
<b>Plants/Shrubs</b>	<b>368.34</b>	<b>same</b>
<b>Bulbs/Compost</b>	<b>305.32</b>	<b>same</b>
<b>Organic Fertilisers</b>	<b>55.00</b>	<b>same</b>
<b>Total cost £4002.39</b>		

### 3.5 Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the Local Partnerships programme?

Sincere thanks for the money it is carefully used and very much appreciated.

## FR1146 – Erskine Arts

### Section 2: About the activity you delivered.

<b>2.1 What activities did you provide as part of the Local Partnerships?</b>	
We started art classes, drop-in sessions and an inclusive choir all free and fully staffed by Erskine Arts and sessional workers. These classes have been running every week since receiving the funding and we have continued these classes as part of our growing programme. Some of them we have continued for free and some we have introduced a small fee to keep them sustainable.	
<b>2.2 What do you think worked well about your activities?</b>	
The new programme has been very well attended and it has helped widen our social reach across our community. We have had some very nice feedback and testimonials from those attending that it has become a life line, especially to those who have been more isolated and found it difficult to engage in culture and to meet new people. With it being group activity, people have developed new relationships and have come to rely on these activities as their new weekly ritual. We have had feedback that the classes are fun and are helping individuals to be encouraged to take up new hobbies later in life. This new activity has also provided a great opportunity to involve new volunteers who have helped to assist with delivery and building community cohesion.	
<b>2.3 Is there anything that you would change?</b>	
Nothing that comes immediately to mind. The whole programme has been a very encouraging development for Erskine Arts. It has given us the encouragement to reach out to the wider public and it has had a very positive knock on effect to other parts of our programme and live event activity. We only received some of the grant award that we asked for, however we managed to deliver much more than expected even with a reduced amount for a shorter time period (21 weeks instead of 38). It has also led to some intergenerational work starting new mixed aged group classes and bringing young volunteers into help assist with adult classes. It's been brilliant.	
<b>2.4 Do you think that the Local Partnership activities you delivered had any of the following benefits for people attending? (Tick all that apply)</b>	
Tackling isolation & loneliness	✓
Health & wellbeing	✓
Environment & parks	
Roads & transport	
Moving around & connectivity	
Community & road safety	
Community facilities & public assets	✓

Community identity & civic pride	✓
Young people and/or intergenerational work	✓
Renfrew town centre & play facilities	

### Section 3 – Impact

#### 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 you reached in each Local Partnership area)

Over the 21 week funded period we have had 1534 attendances relating to the funded activity. This has supported an average of around 73 people every week.

#### 3.2 What impact has the Local Partnership programme had on members of your community?

(Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)

It has led to an increase to our overall membership and attendance. This has also had a knock on effect, increasing attendance to our live events, community programming and local consultation projects. In the 21 week period our full attendance stats were 8258. The following 13 weeks following the funded period we have seen 6606 attendances which is already around 1000 attendance up when broken down into average weekly attendance.

#### 3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

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Yes we can send through a mixture of photos, feedback and online reviews.

### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

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Item or Activity (A)	Total Cost (B)	LP Spend (C)
Soup Sessions	£800	£800
Art for Adults	£2100	£2100
Choir Sessions	£2100	£2100

### 3.5 Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the Local Partnerships programme?

This funding has been an absolute life line for adults in our local area and it has played a crucial role in helping us to create access to cultural opportunities to many vulnerable people. We are proud to be in this position and we are grateful beyond words to Renfrewshire Councils commitment to local partnership funding. It's making such a huge impact on the wellbeing of our communities.

## FR1105 - Erskine Community Nursery SCIO

### Section 2: About the activity you delivered.

#### 2.1 What activities did you provide as part of the Local Partnerships?

We went for coffee/hot chocolate together and enjoyed each others company.

We visited Erskine Arts and witnessed a jam session by local musicians.

We done some planting – at nursery and the care home.

A nature visit with Little Forest Friends.

A visit with a Mini Zoo.

We have still to visit Heads of Ayr Farm Park and the Glasgow Science Centre.

**2.2 What do you think worked well about your activities?**

The care home residents and Grandparents visiting our nursery and accompanying us on trips – often seeing the children having fun was enough to spark conversation and interaction.

Using technology gave the children the chance to take lead, and show off & share their skills.

Having the same core group of care home residents enabled us to become familiar with them, and recognizable to the children.

**2.3 Is there anything that you would change?**

Extend to multigenerational and include lasting relationships with primary and high school students.

Have more activities on offer in our nurseries.

**2.4 Do you think that the Local Partnership activities you delivered had any of the following benefits for people attending? (Tick all that apply)**

Tackling isolation & loneliness	√
Health & wellbeing	√
Environment & parks	√
Roads & transport	
Moving around & connectivity	
Community & road safety	
Community facilities & public assets	
Community identity & civic pride	√
Young people and/or intergenerational work	√
Renfrew town centre & play facilities	

**Section 3 – Impact****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 reached in each Local Partnership area)

34 children attend our settings, along with 11 staff who all took part in a range of activities and experiences.

A cohort of around 14 care home residents with 5 staff participated.

8 grandparents became regulars with our children.

**3.2 What impact has the Local Partnership programme had on members of your community?**

(Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)

We have been able to build relations within our community between 2 vital care services, building continuing friendships.

Grandparents are a regular feature within our settings, offering their services and volunteering to spend time and interact with the children.

This initiative has had a very positive impact on our setting, and our community.

**3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?**

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Evidence is available on our facebook page [www.facebook.com/ecnwithinstannes](http://www.facebook.com/ecnwithinstannes) also on the page of Rashielee Care Home.

Pictures will be forwarded to the email above on completion of delivery of our project – 2 events outstanding.

### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

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Item or Activity (A)	Total Cost (B)	LP Spend (C)
Transport – bus fares	£62.40	£ 62.40
Science Centre	£240	240
£Heads of Ayr	£540	540
£Coach Hire	£260	£260
Coach Hire	£595	£595
£Mini Zoo	£320	320
£Construction resources	£996.32	£996.32
£Trolleys	£198.99	£198.99
Blend – hot chocolate	42.84	42.84
Planting	45.00	45.00
Technology x 12	1979.88	1979.88

### 3.5 Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the Local Partnerships programme?

We made some purchases that will enable us to use the same resources over again – construction bricks and blocks, and our technology.

We have just over £500 left, and with your permission, would like to use this to invite our care home friends and grandparents in joining us with our 40<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations.

## FR1158 – Erskine Over 50’s Swimming Club

### Section 2: About the activity you delivered.

<b>2.1 What activities did you provide as part of the Local Partnerships?</b>	
<p>We provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7 Social sessions at Bargarren community Centre.</li> <li>3 Dances at Inchinnan Community Club</li> <li>4 Trips to Linwood</li> <li>1 day trip to Burrell Collection</li> </ul>	
<b>2.2 What do you think worked well about your activities?</b>	
<p>The funding enable the swimming club to provide a range of different activities to suit the needs of all the members of the club. We were able to have an activity every month giving members an opportunity to socialise and mix with others particularly during the winter months.</p> <p>The social sessions at Barrgaran had over 30 members attending each session and meant members who can't attend the weekly meetings had an alternative venue.</p> <p>The trip to the Burrell collection gave the members a new cultural experience and many of them were first time visitors and did the guided tour.</p> <p>The trips to Linwood enabled members to go to the cinema and go to shops which are inaccessible to them without transport provided.</p> <p>Thanks to the funding we were able to keep the cost low so more members could attend.</p>	
<b>2.3 Is there anything that you would change?</b>	
No	
<b>2.4 Do you think that the Local Partnership activities you delivered had any of the following benefits for people attending? (Tick all that apply)</b>	
Tackling isolation & loneliness	X
Health & wellbeing	X
Environment & parks	X
Roads & transport	
Moving around & connectivity	
Community & road safety	
Community facilities & public assets	X
Community identity & civic pride	
Young people and/or intergenerational work	

Renfrew town centre & play facilities	
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### Section 3 – Impact

#### 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 you reached in each Local Partnership area)

The club has 73 members aged between 57 & 93. 68 members attended at least funded 1 event. Many members attended all the events. 3 members are now too infirm to attend any events and sadly we lost 2 members this year. The majority of members are from Erskine, 3 members are from Renfrew and 2 members are from Paisley.

#### 3.2 What impact has the Local Partnership programme had on members of your community?

(Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)

The funded activities helped prevent social isolation and gave the members opportunities to socially engage with others in a similar situation to them. It has helped their well being and quality of life. It helped strengthen the community feeling within the club and create a sense of belonging, reducing the risk of cognitive decline. The comments forms we have included reflect the real difference the funding has made, getting people out of the house and mixing with others.

#### 3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

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Comments forms and photographs sent separately.

#### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

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Item or Activity (A)	Total Cost (B)	LP Spend (C)
3 X Dances	£300	£300
7 Social Sessions	£290	£290

1 Coach Hire Burrell collection	£550	£550
4 Coach Hire Linwood	£860	£860

### **3.5 Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the Local Partnerships programme?**

Thanks to the funding there has been a real buzz and vibrancy within the club and its members. We have seen our membership increase this year and all the events have been well attended. We have been able to keep the ticket cost to the dances the same as the previous year. We have been able to provide a variety of activities in different venues which have been financially accessible to all the members.

## **FR1064 - Fèis Phàislig**

### **Section 2: About the activity you delivered.**

#### **2.1 What activities did you provide as part of the Local Partnerships?**

Fèis Phàislig provided an ambitious and comprehensive range of activities aimed at promoting cultural engagement and celebrating Gaelic heritage. These activities included:

1. Hosting inclusive cultural events in various community venues across each Local Partnership area, offering opportunities for young people of all backgrounds and abilities to engage with traditional music and Gaelic culture.
2. Supporting activities before, during, and after the Royal National Mòd in Paisley, which facilitated broader community involvement and celebration of traditional music and Gaelic culture.
3. Going beyond its original proposals, Fèis Phàislig delivered performances from both professional musicians and those learning with the organisation across all local partnership areas, providing enriching experiences for audiences and participants alike.
4. Encouraging communities to embrace local heritage and Gaelic culture through free events and programming, ensuring accessibility and widespread engagement with Fèis Phàislig's work across Renfrewshire.

Overall, the activities provided by Fèis Phàislig as part of the Local Partnerships in Renfrewshire were designed to be inclusive, engaging, and impactful, fostering a deeper connection to Gaelic culture and heritage throughout the area.

#### **2.2 What do you think worked well about your activities?**

Our activities proved to be highly successful across all local partnership group areas. Firstly, they allowed us to extend our reach to communities that may not have previously engaged with the Fèis, thus promoting greater inclusivity and cultural participation throughout Renfrewshire. The funding we received enabled us to expand beyond our usual focus on young people, leading to heart-warming performances in care homes that became a standout feature of our programming. These performances not only brought joy to residents but also showcased the immense talent of our young musicians to a broader audience, fostering a sense of connection and appreciation across generations.

Additionally, our workshops provided invaluable opportunities for young people to discover Gaelic and traditional music for the very first time, sparking interest and enthusiasm among participants. Our collaboration with local venues and organisations allowed us to establish and strengthen community ties, creating a supportive network for future cultural endeavours.

As a result, our activities not only brought people together but also contributed to the improved mental health and wellbeing of participants, underscoring the transformative power of cultural engagement within our communities.

### **2.3 Is there anything that you would change?**

We have been pleased with the outcomes of the project and believe we delivered on the proposed activities well. However, if given the opportunity, we would aspire to secure ongoing funding through a larger funding body. Such support would enable us to expand our reach and impact, particularly in areas such as care homes and community groups. Our aim would be to transition from 'one-off' visits to establishing sustained, year-round activity in these areas, thereby deepening our engagement and enriching the lives of even more individuals within our community.

### **2.4 Do you think that the Local Partnership activities you delivered had any of the following benefits for people attending? (Tick all that apply)**

Tackling isolation & loneliness	✓
Health & wellbeing	✓
Environment & parks	
Roads & transport	
Moving around & connectivity	
Community & road safety	
Community facilities & public assets	

Community identity & civic pride	✓
Young people and/or intergenerational work	✓
Renfrew town centre & play facilities	✓

### Section 3 – Impact

#### 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 you reached in each Local Partnership area)

Renfrew: 175  
 Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank: 180  
 The Villages: 145  
 Johnstone and Linwood: 290  
 Paisley North, West and Central: 290  
 Paisley East: 135  
 Gleniffer: 340

#### 3.2 What impact has the Local Partnership programme had on members of your community?

(Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)

The impact of our Local Partnership activity on members of our community has been multifaceted and profound. Through initiatives such as the Ceilidh Trail and Advanced Band, we have witnessed a transformation in how people of all ages engage with Gaelic language and culture. By welcoming participants with varying levels of Gaelic, including fluent speakers, learners, and those new to the language, we have cultivated an environment where Gaelic is not just a subject to be learned but a vibrant aspect of community engagement. This inclusive approach empowers all participants to embrace Gaelic as their own, fostering a sense of ownership and connection.

Our projects serve as vital outlets for physical and mental well-being, particularly crucial in the aftermath of lockdown restrictions. Through artistic expression and collaboration, young people find solace, joy, and camaraderie, building friendships and a sense of belonging within our community. This focus on holistic development has always been central to our mission.

Collaborations with professional tutors and musicians provide unique opportunities for our participants to deepen their engagement with Gaelic culture. Performances at local events and community gatherings not only showcase their talents but also serve as platforms for cultural celebration, fostering a sense of pride and connection among learners of all ages. By extending these opportunities to families and friends, we foster a supportive community where Gaelic language and tradition thrive.

In summary, the impact of our Local Partnership activity extends far beyond mere participation numbers. It lies in the cultivation of a vibrant, inclusive community where

Gaelic language and culture are not just preserved but celebrated, embraced, and woven into the fabric of everyday life.

### **3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?**

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A selection of photos from across our local partnership funded activity can be found [here](#).

Here are a selection of quotes from participants and audience members across the projects.

#### *Residents at Care Homes:*

"It was lovely, it really was! The young ones came in with their instruments, and suddenly, the whole place was alive with music. It brought back memories and made us feel young again, even if just for a little while."

"Those young musicians were incredible, playing their hearts out for us. It was a real treat, something I won't forget anytime soon."

#### *Care Home Activities Coordinator:*

"Hosting the performance from the Advanced Band was such a joy for our residents. Seeing their faces light up as they tapped their feet and hummed along was fantastic. It brought a sense of energy and excitement to our home that we haven't felt in a long time."

#### *Musicians from Ceilidh Trail Tour:*

"Touring with the Ceilidh Trail was amazing and we got to play in lots of different places. The best part was seeing the smiles on people's faces as they danced and clapped along. It was a real honor to share our music with people across."

"Being part of the Ceilidh Trail Tour was a really great experience. We met so many people along the way and got to share our music with lots of different audiences. It's amazing how music can bring people together, no matter where you go."

#### *Participants at Fèis Week Event:*

"In just four days, I went from knowing nothing to being able to perform on a stage. I also learned lots of Gaelic words I didn't know before. It was so much fun and I can't wait to come back next year."

"It was amazing! I was a bit nervous before I went but everybody was so nice and the tutors were very very friendly. My favourite part was the song and getting to sing with everybody in Gaelic."

*Headteacher at Additional Needs School:*

"<Child's name> sessions have been absolutely brilliant! His patience, enthusiasm, and ability to make the music accessible to everyone are remarkable. The joy and confidence I've seen in our pupils during these sessions are a testament to his teaching skills. We're incredibly grateful for the positive impact he's had on our school community."

### **3.4 How has the grant been spent?**

(Please provide a breakdown of the items or activities funded by the grant)

- (d) Item or Activity – list all the individual items or activities that your grant was spent on.
- (e) Actual total cost of the item/activity for the project – the amount spent on your activity.
- (f) Amount of Local Partnership grant spent on items/activities – how much was paid from your local Partnership award.

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Item or Activity (A)	Total Cost (B)	LP Spend (C)
Fèis Week	£32,123	£670
Ceilidh Trail	£15,360	£8004
Advanced Band	£3371	£7158
Weekly Lessons	£28,690	£1670
ASN Project	£2436	£2437
Additional Activity	£4470	£4470

### **3.5 Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the Local Partnerships programme?**

The support from the Local Partnerships has been instrumental in driving the success and impact of our organisation across all areas of Renfrewshire. The grant provided invaluable support, enabling us to expand our reach and deliver meaningful cultural experiences to communities throughout the region. Without this vital funding, our ability to engage with diverse audiences, foster community connections, and celebrate Gaelic culture would have been severely limited. Thanks to the support of the Local Partnerships programme, we have been able to make a lasting and positive difference in the lives of young people and residents across Renfrewshire, enriching our communities and strengthening the fabric of our cultural heritage.

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## FR1122 – Inchinnan Community Council

### Section 2: About the activity you delivered.

<b>2.1 What activities did you provide as part of the Local Partnerships?</b>	
The community asked the community council for more seating in and around the play park and playing field in Inchinnan village	
<b>2.2 What do you think worked well about your activities?</b>	
There was only one bench and one picnic table at the play park and playing fields, so this addition has doubled the seating capacity in and around these green spaces within Inchinnan village.	
<b>2.3 Is there anything that you would change?</b>	
As soon as the benches were sited, feedback was positive, and more benches were asked for...	
<b>2.4 Do you think that the Local Partnership activities you delivered had any of the following benefits for people attending? (Tick all that apply)</b>	
Tackling isolation & loneliness	Yes
Health & wellbeing	Yes
Environment & parks	Yes
Roads & transport	
Moving around & connectivity	
Community & road safety	
Community facilities & public assets	Yes
Community identity & civic pride	Yes
Young people and/or intergenerational work	Yes
Renfrew town centre & play facilities	

### Section 3 – Impact

<b>3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?</b> (If you have received funding from more than one Local Partnership, please tell us how many you reached in each Local Partnership area)
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The school and nursery use both the play park and the playing fields, as well as many residents and visitors from other places. I would imagine the number of people benefiting from the new benches is more than one hundred

**3.2 What impact has the Local Partnership programme had on members of your community?**

(Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)

As soon as the new benches were installed, we put a Facebook post on our social media advising where the funding had come from and to say thanks – the post got lots of hits and people grateful for the improvement. Lots of positive verbal feedback has also been received in our community, appreciation for more benches and a request for even more.

**3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?**

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Facebook post shows the hits of people expressing their gratitude and the positive impact the benches have on our community.

**3.4 How has the grant been spent?**

(Please provide a breakdown of the items or activities funded by the grant)

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Item or Activity (A)	Total Cost (B)	LP Spend (C)
Two benches	£1000	£1000
Installation costs	£408	£408

**3.5 Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the Local Partnerships programme?**

Always splendid work done by the LPP 🙏 Many thanks again for funding our benches!

## FR1057 – Inchinnan Community Nursery

### Section 2: About the activity you delivered.

<b>2.1 What activities did you provide as part of the Local Partnerships?</b>	
We provide quality childcare and education to 3-5 years olds the partnership funding was used to improve our outdoor space. We had a beautiful outdoor area in our old nursery and when the council moved us into our new building the outdoor space had some safety issues and wasn't engaging for the children. this grant helps us make significant improvements to the space.	
<b>2.2 What do you think worked well about your activities?</b>	
The improvements to the outdoor spaces allowed as continual free flow access to the outdoor area, it increased security and safety and allowed us to introduce planting to the children and their families.	
<b>2.3 Is there anything that you would change?</b>	
No this grant helped us continue our outdoor transformation	
<b>2.4 Do you think that the Local Partnership activities you delivered had any of the following benefits for people attending? (Tick all that apply)</b>	
Tackling isolation & loneliness	
Health & wellbeing	X
Environment & parks	
Roads & transport	
Moving around & connectivity	
Community & road safety	
Community facilities & public assets	
Community identity & civic pride	
Young people and/or intergenerational work	X
Renfrew town centre & play facilities	

### Section 3 – Impact

<b>3.1 How many people benefitted from/accessed your project?</b> (If you have received funding from more than one Local Partnership, please tell us how many your reached in each Local Partnership area)
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All 30 children and their respective parents and 5 staff have benefited directly from this project. every child that enters the nursery from now will also reap the benefits of this improved area

**3.2 What impact has the Local Partnership programme had on members of your community?**

(Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)

Increased outdoor availability has a direct impact on health and wellbeing in all, with the introduction of outside yoga and mindfulness. Involving the parents might encourage them to consider planting and harvesting at home. We involved local resident in the upkeep of the plants. We are also implementing cooking for harvested fruit and veg and some intergenerational work around this soon

**3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?**

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Feedback and photographs when available

**3.4 How has the grant been spent?**

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Item or Activity (A)	Total Cost (B)	LP Spend (C)
Wooden planters	£2000	£1500
Privacy screening	£1000	£1000
Decking	£4500	£1100

**3.5 Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the Local Partnerships programme?**

I have already emailed just to inform although all grant money paid to contractor some features are not yet installed this was due to availability of product and contractor timescales these will be in place soon and we will provide photographic evidence once available

## FR1149 – Renfrewshire Access Panel

### Section 2: About the activity you delivered.

#### 2.1 What activities did you provide as part of the Local Partnerships?

We have been providing services through Sensory by providing space 2 days a week for Renfrewshire residents in our offices. We have also been providing space to the DRC for the film group 1 day a week as well as 1 day a week for the Renfrewshire Head injuries service.

We have also been working with Glasgow Airport to ensure all Renfrewshire residents receive assistance while traveling through the airport. We have been assisting Renfrewshire Council on the placement of Dropped Kerbs throughout Renfrewshire and working with groups throughout the area on access.

#### 2.2 What do you think worked well about your activities?

Providing access audits for Renfrew Football Club, highlighting the need for accessibility throughout Renfrewshire and meeting and working with groups throughout the area.

#### 2.3 Is there anything that you would change?

Nothing

#### 2.4 Do you think that the Local Partnership activities you delivered had any of the following benefits for people attending? (Tick all that apply)

Tackling isolation & loneliness	√
Health & wellbeing	√
Environment & parks	√
Roads & transport	√
Moving around & connectivity	√
Community & road safety	√
Community facilities & public assets	√
Community identity & civic pride	√
Young people and/or intergenerational work	√
Renfrew town centre & play facilities	√

## Section 3 – Impact

### 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 you reached in each Local Partnership area)

All Renfrewshire Residents

### 3.2 What impact has the Local Partnership programme had on members of your community?

(Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)

It has had a positive impact on everyone as it has raised awareness of accessible needs throughout Renfrewshire.

### 3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?

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By the positive impact it has had on the people of Renfrewshire

### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

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Item or Activity (A)	Total Cost (B)	LP Spend (C)
Office Rental	£4399.99	£4399.99
Phone Landline	£1745.04	£1745.04
Mobile Phone	£153.00	£153.00
Insurance	£945.69	£945.69
Accountancy Fees	£1000.00	£1000.00
Printing & Stationary	£3266.21	£3266.21
Office Peripherals	£1200.00	£1200.00
Volunteer Expenses	£1867.36	£1867.36

<b>3.5 Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the Local Partnerships programme?</b>

**FR1148 - Shopmobility Paisley and District**

**Section 2: About the activity you delivered.**

**2.1 What activities did you provide as part of the Local Partnerships?**

We purchased brand new mobility equipment with the help of this fund in order to maintain and grow our current levels of stock to meet Health and Safety regulations, customer demands and further promote our services across Renfrewshire.

3 x Sterling Sapphire 2 Mobility Scooters (These are sturdy and can withstand pavements and heavy usage – with a suite of these scooters we are able to save costs with parts and repairs. We are also using these scooters to conduct surveys of pavements, dropped kerbs and feeding our findings into Renfrewshire Council’s Town Centre and Villages Accessibility Forum and our feedback and recommendations are welcomed and actioned)

1 x Lightweight Scooter (for travelling – easy to lift and put in the boot of a car, train, taxi, plane)

2 x Excel G-Logic Lightweight Self-Propelled Wheelchairs 16” (these wheelchairs are proving very popular with Renfrewshire communities)

6 x Sets of Replacement Batteries (The majority of people who need our help when they break down is due to battery problems and in some cases reported, people are unable to afford to pay electricity to charge their batteries. This can place an already vulnerable person in a potentially dangerous situation. Another item we properly consider from a Health and Safety point of view is giving users advice on purchasing safe batteries)

We said we would, and we did:

1. Change our name to Shopmobility Renfrewshire to better reflect reality in the fact that we support the whole of Renfrewshire. We held an event in Johnstone to celebrate and promote our name change with RenSEN. We were acutely aware that assumptions were being made we were only delivering a service in Paisley – hence the call for action.
2. Recruited, and retained, more volunteers and staff. Recruited from Linwood, Johnstone, Bishopton, Inchinnan, Barrhead, Paisley. Often targeting those with barriers.

3. Developed more robust surveys to ensure we ask the needs of those whom we support and change our model of delivery as required.
  4. Managed to access free Accelerate Community Enterprise support which will help us will build our small repairs and maintenance service to develop our social enterprise with a view of continuing to provide a low-cost service. Our 5 year plan is to develop the social enterprise of our charity to be less dependent upon grant funding in the future.
  5. Accessed, researched and joined more relevant networks who understand mobility disabilities and how working in partnership impacts on lives.
  6. We are now delivering 4 pillars of strength (Hires, Repairs, Social Inclusion Events, Advocacy). Our service has increased as well as us having a much more ambitious strategy to meet demands.
  7. Going digital to improve our internal / external processes.
- We wanted you to understand the bigger picture in terms of what your investment has helped us achieve for the betterment of those with mobility disabilities.

### **2.3 Is there anything that you would change?**

We constantly need to be able to embrace change and adapt, therefore our philosophy has been to plateau income wise, then concentrate on growing the charity with Health and Safety, Human Rights and Equity in mind at all times.

Stability is essential for growth and we have learned this – especially over the last year. Surveys indicate to us more recently that people are looking for lightweight equipment to take with them on holiday, require a delivery and pick up service, plus host more social inclusion events.

We believe we have had the right approach and continuing to develop in a strategic and constructive way – always trying to meet needs and demands – networking and partnership working with the right people and networks.

### **2.4 Do you think that the Local Partnership activities you delivered had any of the following benefits for people attending? (Tick all that apply)**

- Tackling isolation & loneliness **X**
- Health & wellbeing **X**
- Environment & parks
- Roads & transport **X**
- Moving around & connectivity **X**
- Community & road safety **X**
- Community facilities & public assets **X**
- Community identity & civic pride **X**
- Young people and/or intergenerational work
- Renfrew town centre & play facilities

## **Section 3 – Impact**

### **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 you reached in each Local Partnership area)

2,567 people have benefitted from your investment.

The majority live in Paisley area, followed by Johnstone, Renfrew, Linwood, Inchinnan and Erskine.

### **3.2 What impact has the Local Partnership programme had on members of your community?**

(Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)

Tackled Social Isolation to Promote Health and Wellbeing – just being able to get out whilst you are challenged with a mobility disability can improve your quality of life – this is what customers are telling us.

Increased Membership, Volunteering Opportunities, Employment

Addressed Isolation and Loneliness

Retained a free / low-cost hire service with new up to date equipment which is safe and affordable

Strengthened Social Connections by encouraging people to meet up and learn more about

what's happening in their local communities with refreshments and lunch – always telling people they are able to use our services to be able to attend other funded events, or appointments of their choice.

Promoted Mobility, Accessibility, Health and Wellbeing

Offered a low-cost repairs and maintenance service with a stock of batteries which have been very well used.

Provided People Independence and Choice – many are still struggling post pandemic to have confidence to get out of their house or residential setting.

Our mission is to provide people with mobility disabilities in Renfrewshire with access to the specialized equipment and opportunities that they need to move around and engage fully in social, economic and cultural activities. We believe we have delivered on our mission.

### **3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?**

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We have a suite of photographs - we can send you some of these.

We would also encourage you to look on our facebook page – many of our networks and customers tend to use this page which tells you our story / journey and will continue to do so.

<https://www.facebook.com/ShopmobilityPaisleyandDistrict/>

We are also developing our website so watch this space !!

<https://www.shopmobilityrenfrewshire.com/>

### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

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Item or Activity (A) Total Cost (B) LP Spend (C)

£3,796.40, £8,000, £3,796.40

### 3.5 Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the Local Partnerships programme?

We are actively pursuing other investors to help us fund many other projects to support our new 4 pillars of strength, in order to be less dependent on Renfrewshire Council funds.

This, we are hoping, will enhance our ability to access many more funding streams.

We have already reduced our dependence on Renfrewshire Council funders since 2019

from over 90% to 25%. Our long-term aspirations are to further enhance and solidify our

social enterprise which takes years to accomplish. Creating stability and growth is an area

that Local Partnership funding has helped us with tremendously and this is very much

appreciated. We previously purchased a van which is really helping our development and

using your investments wisely – always looking at the longer-term picture. Many people

tell us that they don't know what they would do without our service and your fund is

helping us retain and further develop quite a unique and much needed service in

Renfrewshire. With an ageing population, we believe there will be a need to retain such a

service.

## FR1051 – The Renfrewshire Toy Bank

### Section 2: About the activity you delivered.

#### 2.1 What activities did you provide as part of the Local Partnerships?

We delivered a successful Christmas 2023 campaign supporting 3,035 local children with gift packages and distributed £10,420 worth of gift cards to teenagers: 521 gift cards in total.

This Easter we distributed 4,705 eggs to local schools, nurseries, community groups as well as charities that tackle food insecurity.

In 2023 we distributed Halloween costumes too. This provided great feedback as more and more schools are having Halloween discos again or dressing up for the day. We know this helped more children to feel included, helping to reduce financial strain for many.

Birthday gifts constantly go out with some organisations having “birthday boxes” that we top up when needed.

## **2.2 What do you think worked well about your activities?**

Partnership working is key for the toy bank. This ensures the referral process is transparent, fair and secure. Working together to build connections not only helps us, it allows us to network and know where to signpost community members for other support that we cannot offer.

Having support from libraries, organisations and businesses is a vital part of how we operate, and we cannot thank them enough for making donating as easy as possible for the public.

The toy bank simply could not run without our incredible volunteers. The local people that help us go above and beyond.

## **2.3 Is there anything that you would change?**

This year we need to focus on recruiting more volunteers. We will remain volunteer led and do not plan on having staff. We want to ensure our core costs are kept to a minimum, putting everything we can back out to support local families.

## **2.4 Do you think that the Local Partnership activities you delivered had any of the following benefits for people attending? (Tick all that apply)**

Tackling isolation & loneliness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Health & wellbeing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Environment & parks	<input type="checkbox"/>
Roads & transport	<input type="checkbox"/>
Moving around & connectivity	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community & road safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community facilities & public assets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Community identity & civic pride	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Young people and/or intergenerational work	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Renfrew town centre & play facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Section 3 – Impact

#### **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 you reached in each Local Partnership area)

Halloween 1,230

Christmas gift packages 3,035

Christmas teen gift cards 521

Easter Eggs 4,075

Birthdays 1,450

Total number of referrals – 10,311

We work across all of Renfrewshire, to highlight this, below are some figures from our Christmas 2023 campaign. Although these numbers are correct, in reality they are much higher. Organisations such as EBI unites, Pals Of The Privies, The STAR Project, Who Cares? Scotland, The Carers Centre, and many more cover Renfrewshire wide and benefit more than one local partnership area.

71 organisations referred to us – multiple social work departments, local charities, NHS divisions such as health visitors and doctor practices, schools, nurseries and many more.

Renfrew schools and social work - over 400 children.

Johnstone and Linwood social work and schools - over 500 children.

Erskine, Bishopton and Inchinnan health visitors, charities schools -over 300 children

Paisley NWC, East and Gleniffer schools and social work been combined due to a high crossover in post codes from social workers from the north and south team – over 1000 children.

The Villages – over 300 children.

#### **3.2 What impact has the Local Partnership programme had on members of your community?**

(Please describe the impact your project had on its participants)

The cost-of-living crisis has affected so many and most local charities have reported seeing a change in people accessing their services. The toy bank is no different and we have received feedback from referring partners about the financial strain, embarrassment, and stigma the toy bank helps to relieve. The toy bank is open to all, and we hope our referral system is as simple and fair as possible to continue to support our local community.

It has allowed parents and carers the knowledge that their child is receiving high quality safe toys the same as their peers. Sparking joy for our young people while helping them to learn and develop through play.

As well as distributing toys we also provide clothing items such as pyjamas and blankets, something that is being asked for more and more.

### **3.3 How can you evidence the impact of your project?**

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We have a host of photos and posts shared by referring organisations on our facebook page.

[https://www.facebook.com/renfrewshirechristmastoybank/?locale=en\\_GB](https://www.facebook.com/renfrewshirechristmastoybank/?locale=en_GB)

Below are some links to press we have done too.

<https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/in-your-area/renfrewshire/renfrewshire-toy-bank-issues-urgent-31452777>

<https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/in-your-area/renfrewshire/christmas-toy-collection-launched-popular-31611802>

### 3.4 How has the grant been spent?

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Item or Activity (A)	Total Cost (B)	LP Spend (C)
Storage	£5,300	£2,308
Gift Cards	£10,420	£1,608
Toys	£9,000	£1,289
Halloween costumes	£4,000	£1,024
Easter Eggs	£3,500	£2,250

### 3.5 Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the Local Partnerships programme?

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those who sit on local partnership boards for allowing us to access these funds. They are vital to not only us but the families and children that we support.