

## Notice of Meeting and Agenda Local Partnership - Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 16 February 2023	18:00	Microsoft Teams Meeting,

MARK CONAGHAN  
Head of Corporate Governance

### Membership

Councillor Airlie-Nicholson; Neil Barrington (Langbank Community Council); Councillor Campbell; Jacqueline Doherty (Langbank Parent Partnership); Councillor Leishman; Councillor James MacLaren; Councillor McCulloch; Margaret Morrison (Inchinnan Community Council); Councillor Mullin; Councillor Nicolson; Jacqui Reid (Erskine Development Trust); Hayden Sutherland (Bishopton Community Development Trust); David Woodrow (Bishopton Community Council)

Councillor Michelle Campbell, Chair

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## Items of business

### Apologies

Apologies from members.

### Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare an interest in any item(s) on the agenda and to provide a brief explanation of the nature of the interest.

- 1 Minute of Previous Meeting** **3 - 7**  
Minute of previous meeting held on 10 November 2022.
- 2 Inchinnan Development Trust Update**  
Presentation by Maggie Morrison, Inchinnan Development Trust.
- 3 Renfrewshire Plan for Net Zero**  
Presentation by Pauline Moss and Roz Smith, Renfrewshire Council.
- 4 Local Funding Awards**  
Verbal updates.
  - a) Winter Connections**  
Annabelle Armstrong-Walter, Renfrewshire Council.
  - b) YouDecide**  
Gerry Hannah, Renfrewshire Council.
  - c) Community Mental Health and Wellbeing**  
Alice McBride, Engage Renfrewshire.
- 5 Update from Community Learning & Development Team**  
Verbal update by John Kennedy, Renfrewshire Council.
- 6 Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report** **8 - 12**  
Report by Chief Executive.
- 7 Date of Next Meeting**  
Note that the next meeting of the Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership is scheduled to be held on 11 May 2023 at 6pm.

## Minute of Meeting Local Partnership - Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 10 November 2022	18:00	Remotely by MS Teams,

### PRESENT

Councillor Fiona Airlie-Nicolson; Neil Barrington (Langbank Community Council); Councillor Michelle Campbell; Jacqueline Doherty (Langbank Parent Partnership); Councillor Alec Leishman; Councillor James MacLaren; Councillor Colin McCulloch; Jim O'Neill (Inchinnan Community Council); Councillor Sam Mullin; Councillor Iain Nicolson; Hayden Sutherland (Bishopton Community Development Trust); and David Woodrow (Bishopton Community Council).

### CHAIR

Councillor Campbell, Chair, presided.

### ALSO PRESENT

A McNiven and A McBride (both Engage Renfrewshire); J Kennedy, Renfrewshire Council and N Perratt.

### IN ATTENDANCE

G Hannah, Lead Officer, S Graham, Partnership Manager; D Pole, End User Technician; and P Shiach, Senior Committee Services Officer (all Renfrewshire Council).

### RECORDING OF MEETING

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the Chair intimated that this meeting of the Local Partnership would be recorded and that the recording would be available to watch on the Council's website.

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Nicolson indicated that he had a connection to item 7 of the agenda - Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report -- as he was a member of the Inchinnan Development Trust. However, he indicated that he had applied the objective test and did not consider he had an interest to declare and intimated that it was his intention to remain in the meeting and to take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

Councillor Campbell declared an interest in item 7 of the agenda – Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report - as she was the Chair of the Board of Erskine Arts. However, she indicated that she had applied the objective test and did not consider he had an interest to declare and intimated that it was her intention to remain in the meeting and to take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

## **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

The Chair intimated that in order to facilitate the business of the meeting she intended to take item 4 of the agenda prior to item 2 of the agenda

### **1 CELEBRATING RENFREWSHIRE**

There was submitted a presentation by J Kennedy and N Perratt who provided information on the recruitment session attended by 12 people for the Youth Led Steering Group who had a number of planning session to identify the fund priorities for the Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank Local Partnership area. The role of the Celebrating Renfrewshire Youth-led Steering Group was outlined, as were the main priorities. Twelve applications for funding for this area were received with the total of all application amounting to £31,731.00.

Applications for funding required to be submitted between 16 September and 9 October 2022 with local young people having the opportunity to determine which local projects were granted funding. A total of 188 young people from Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank area voted. Seven organisations were awarded the full amount and one organisation were awarded partial funding.

Details of those awards made was as follows:- Erskine Arts - £2860.00; Lamont Farm Project - £3,000.00; Paisley Pirates Supporters Club 0 £3,000.00; Renfrewshire Carers Centre - £1,715.00; Renfrew Town Sea Scouts - £3,000.00; Pace Theatre Company - £3,000.00; and Who Cares? Scotland - £3,000.00. Bungalow Enterprise received partial funding of £713.00.

**DECIDED:** That the information provided be noted.

### **2 MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership held on 16 June 2022.

**DECIDED:** That the Minute be approved.

### 3 **COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING FUND**

A McBride, Renfrewshire Engage, provided a summary report relative to the Community Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund 2022/23.

The Local Partnership was advised that the Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund was now in its second year and Engage Renfrewshire had been allocated just over £500,000 to distribute to the third sector for new applicants and also previously awarded projects for adults. A brief overview of the aims, key priorities and target audience of the Fund was provided and 52 projects had been supported across Renfrewshire. Projects supported in the Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank Local Partnership area were EBI Unite, Erskine Arts and Inchinnan Development Trust.

Information was presented on the impact of the fund generally and individually on organisations.

A McBride indicated that applications for the second year of funding had opened in September and closed at the end of October. It was noted that successful groups would be notified in early December with payments made in January 2023 and that the Fund was over-subscribed.

**DECIDED:** That the content of the presentation be noted.

### 4 **BUILDING COMMUNITIES APPROACH**

There was submitted a presentation by John Kennedy, Senior Community Development Manager relative to the Building Communities Approach.

An overview was provided of the four main areas of responsibility and the wide range of activities undertaken by Communities Learning & Development Section.

Reference was made to the delivery of universal services, targeted provision, community capacity and connected communities initiatives, generic adult and youth services within the Bargarran area, the Young Scot card and future partnership working with Local Partnerships. It was noted that each local partnership was to be provided with a single point of contact within the Building Communities service to ensure communities and members of the partnership could access Council Services and support easily. These contacts would ensure enquiries and local concerns were resolved or directed to the appropriate Council Service and seek to drive forward work and priorities identified by local partnerships within their area.

**DECIDED:** That the presentation be noted.

### 5 **WINTER CONNECTIONS**

S Graham, Chief Executive's Service, gave a presentation on the Winter Connections Programme, a network of local places where people could connect to others in their community this winter.

The presentation highlighted the purpose of the Winter Connections Fund which would provide assistance to local groups to help cover the additional costs in making venues, activities and sessions available as part of the Winter Connection Programme. The

presentation outlined the timeline and next steps for the Programme.

**DECIDED:** That the content of the presentation be noted.

## 6 **BUILDING AND STRENGTHENING THE LOCAL ACTION GROUP FOR THE FORMER LEADER RURAL AREAS**

There was submitted a report by the Strategic Partnership & Inequalities Manager relative to building and strengthening the Local Action Group for the former LEADER rural areas.

The report referred to a collaborative programme being undertaken between Renfrewshire, East Renfrewshire and Inverclyde to recruit new members to a strengthened Local Action Group (LAG) for the Greater Renfrewshire and Inverclyde (GRI) rural areas.

The report indicated that the former European funded LEADER programme stopped in 2020, with the UK withdrawal from the European Community. Between 2014 and 2020 it invested some £1.7m, leveraging £2.8m match funding and generated some £4.5m for the area. The Scottish Government had been interested in how the approach to rural support and intervention might be enhanced and had invited submissions from former LEADER areas for projects to test new approaches to delivering community-led local development and to identify how Local Action Groups might be strengthened with more diverse representation.

The report indicated that while funds across Scotland for these projects in 2022/23 had been modest (£11m+), they lent credence to future funding being made available by Scottish Government to substitute for LEADER once the 2023/24 Scottish Budget is published in December 2022.

The strengthening of Local Action Groups by inviting applications to join had been interpreted to include people and organisations from the geography of the rural areas (e.g. community development trusts, village associations etc.) and from those whose activities were considered to meet equality, diversity and inclusion criteria.

The role of the strengthened Local Action Group and of the new members recruited for their capacity, interest, commitment and skills, were being defined at present, with each Council, plus e.g. Engage Renfrewshire, participating in a widespread social media recruitment campaign in November. The Partnerships were asked to help publicise the recruitment opportunity.

**DECIDED:** That it be agreed that Local Partnerships assist in publicising the recruitment opportunity.

## 7 **BUDGET MONITORING REPORT**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank Budget Monitoring Report.

The report advised that at the meeting of the Partnership held on 16 June 2022, three projects (FR1075 Inchinnan Development Trust, FR11126 Right2Dance and FR1083 Erskine Arts) were awarded funding that was ringfenced subject to the submission of additional information. This information had been submitted and was detailed in the report.

**DECIDED:**

- (a) That the budget monitoring report 2022/23 be noted; and
- (b) That funding awards previously ringfenced for FR1075, FR1126 and FR1083 be approved.

**8 MEETING DATES - 2023**

The following dates were proposed for meetings of the Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank Local Partnership during 2023:-

16 February 2023;  
11 May 2023;  
7 September 2023; and  
30 November 2023.

**DECIDED:**

That the dates proposed for meetings of the Partnership for 2023 be approved.



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

**On: 16 February 2023**

**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 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.
- 1.2 A table setting out the funds allocated by Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership in 2022/23 and current budget position is attached as an appendix to this report.
- 1.3 At the June 2022 meeting, three projects (FR1075 Inchinnan Development Trust, FR1126 Right2Dance and FR1083 Erskine Arts) were awarded funding that was ringfenced subject to additional information. Following submission of this additional information, the meeting held on 10 November 2022 agreed to release the ringfenced funding to these three projects.
- 1.4 Additional feedback on projects funded in 2021/22 was received since the November 2022 meeting from Inchinnan Development Trust and Paisley and District Boys Brigade. This feedback is included at Appendix 2.
- 1.5 Applications to the 2023/24 round of Local Partnership awards will be open for 6 weeks from Friday 24 February to Sunday 9 April 2023. Updated guidance will be issued to applicants, with opportunities to attend support sessions to advise applicants and answer any queries about the process. Applications will be submitted to the May 2023 round of Local Partnership meetings for decisions on awards.



## 2. Recommendation

2.1 It is recommended that members:

- (a) Note the budget monitoring report 2022/23
- (b) Note the additional feedback from 2021/22 projects received since November 2022

### Appendix 1

#### Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report 2021/22

General Grant Fund	£43,639 (net of Members expenses)
<b>Total funding available in 2022/23</b>	<b>£43,639</b>
<b>Total funding awarded in 2022/23</b>	<b>£42,610</b>
<b>Available funding</b>	<b>£1,029</b>

Grant Ref	Organisation	Awarded	Paid
FR1062	Renfrewshire Toy Bank	£1,430	£1,430
FR1067	SNACK	£7,285	£7,285
FR1071	Rainbow Turtle	£500	£500
FR1075	Inchinnan Development Trust	£10,000	£10,000
FR1083	Erskine Arts	£6,980	£6,980
FR1089	Shopmobility Paisley and District	£645	£645
FR1118	Bonnie Bishopton	£5,000	£5,000
FR1126	Right2Dance	£5,670	£5,670
FR1149	Inchinnan Community Council	£3,100	£3,100
FR1176	Erskine New Interest Group	£2,000	£2,000

Celebrating Renfrewshire Fund 2022/23	£20,288
Carry Forward from 2021/22	£13,143
<b>Total funding available in 2022/23</b>	<b>£33,431</b>

Grant Ref	Organisation	Awarded	Paid
CE1005	Erskine Arts	£2,860	£2,860
CE1024	Lamont Farm Project	£3,000	£3,000
CE1035	Paisley Pirates Supporters Club	£3,000	£3,000
CE1046	Renfrewshire Carers Centre	£1,715	£1,715
CE1043	Renfrew Town Sea Scouts	£3,000	£3,000
CE1031	Pace Theatre Company	£3,000	£0
CE1054	Who Cares? Scotland	£3,000	£3,000

CE1010	Bungalow Enterprise	£2,550	£2,550
CE1008	Blue Triangle Housing Association	£2,906	£2,906
CE1021	I was Gonnae	£2,200	£2,200
CE1027	Loud n Proud	£1,500	£1,500
CE1032	Pachedu	£3,000	£3,000

## Appendix 2

### Feedback On 2021/22 Projects

Since the Local Partnership meeting in November 2022, the following feedback was received from organisations that were awarded funding from Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton and Langbank Local Partnership in 2021/22.

#### FR 1046 Inchinnan Development Trust

1.1	Organisation Name	INCHINNAN DEVELOPMENT TRUST
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2.1	Project Name	India Tyres Sport Field
2.2	Amount Received	£10,000
2.3	<p>What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key theme: Intergenerational work</li> <li>• Health &amp; wellbeing</li> <li>• Connectivity</li> <li>• Community identity</li> <li>• Planning &amp; environment</li> <li>• Community empowerment</li> </ul>	
2.4	<p>What did you spend the money on and was it fully spent? (Was this different to what you originally intended? If so, please explain).</p> <p>Refurbishment of boundary fencing - 12/11/2021 = £2,659.14 (spent)  Drainage investigations on entire site and suggested solutions report - 24/05/2022 = £1,924.56 (spent)</p> <p>SP energy networks costs of connection to the grid &amp; power cables = £5700 (delayed as we are not permitted to undertake these works until our CAT lease is complete, expected prior end of 2022. Spend is committed but not yet spent.)</p>	

	<p><i>[Note – the drainage investigations revealed 100-year-old field drainage that is block in many places and nonexistent on other parts of the site. An estimated £90k could be spent on the site to stop the ponding and bring the fields to a standard which would allow SFA level grass pitches for hiring to local sports clubs, wider community groups, and individuals. These necessary drainage solutions are part of IDT’s plans for this site, and we would apply to other funders going forward to meet this requirement.]</i></p>
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### Section 3 – Impact

3.1	<p>How many people in your community benefited from your project and how?</p> <p>(What outcomes did you achieve? Please describe the impact your project had on its participants If you have received funding from more than one Local Partnership, please tell us how many your reached in each Local Partnership area)</p> <p>The boundary fencing refurbishment certainly helps the security of the grass playing fields which were regularly being vandalized by vehicles accessing the site. This has benefited the residents of Allands Avenue and India Drive who now have fencing without unsightly gaps. The fence refurbishment also helps with security for our plans for allotments and growing grounds agenda.</p> <p>Once the power and water are connected to the site this will benefit many:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• those using the grass facilities for sports training and fixtures</li> <li>• IDT organised outdoor events to engage communities for consultation, fun, and or other requirements</li> <li>• Water pipe (secured from public) for filling water bottles for sporting fixtures/training sessions.</li> </ul> <p>(There is currently no power or water on the site).</p>
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## FR1052 Paisley and District Battalion Boys Brigade

1.1	Organisation Name	Paisley and District Battalion
2.1	Project Name	Battalion Administration and Events
2.2	Amount Received	£3,000
2.3	<p>What priorities did you tell us your project would meet?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community identity &amp; civic pride</li> <li>• Young people and/or intergenerational work</li> </ul>	
2.4	<p>What did you spend the money on and was it fully spent? (was this different to what you originally intended? If so, please explain).</p> <p>Our Battalion provides a necessary conduit between the Boys' Brigade at country level and the various companies we have in the Council area. There are administration costs associated with running this and maintaining a local HQ building and shop to support boys and young people in the 22 local companies. These costs also allowed us to do a limited recruitment drive as well as subsidising ALL companies from our funds in the past year, a move which has allowed us to keep the majority of the companies afloat financially and properly funded to allow them to offer the boys the guidance, training, support and experience which they need to progress through the organisation. In addition, we have been able to cover the costs of a small number of events. We were able to spend/allocate all the funds kindly awarded to us.</p>	

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