

Minute of Meeting Paisley South Local Area Committee

Date	Time	Venue
Tuesday, 06 June 2017	18:00	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

Present: Councillor Stephen Burns, Provost Lorraine Cameron, Councillor Eddie Devine, Councillor Paul Mack, Councillor Eileen McCartin, Councillor Marie McGurk, Councillor Kevin Montgomery

Chair

Councillor McGurk, Convener, presided.

Community Representatives

E McWaters, Hawkhead & Lochfield Community Council; S McLean, Glenburn Community Forum; J McPhail, Renfrewshire Environment and Restoration Group; and D Polson, Greater Foxbar Community Building.

In Attendance

A Armstrong-Walter, Policy Lead (Tackling Poverty, Welfare Reform and Equalities) (Chief Executive's); J Trainer, Head of Early Years and Inclusion (Children's Services)(Lead Officer); C Dalrymple, Regulatory and Enforcement Manager (Community Resources); D Low, Senior Committee Services Officer (LACs) and E Currie, Senior Committee Services Officer (both Finance & Resources).

Apologies

J Creighton, Glenburn Tenants' & Residents' Association and H Muir, Foxbar Resource Centre.

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Burns declared a non-financial interest in item 5 of the agenda in relation to the applications for Local Area Committee (LAC) funding submitted by Glenfield Pre-5 Centre, St Columba's Playgroup and Paisley on the Web and indicated that it was his intention not to take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

Councillor McCartin declared a non-financial interest in 5 of the agenda in relation to the application for LAC funding submitted by Paisley Opera and indicated that it was her intention not to take part in any voting thereon.

Provost Cameron declared a non-financial interest in item 5 of the agenda in relation to the application for LAC funding submitted by Paisley on the Web and indicated that it was her intention not to take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

Councillor McGurk declared a non-financial interest in item 5 of the agenda in relation to the application for LAC funding submitted by Paisley on the Web and indicated that it was her intention not to take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

1 Community Safety and Public Protection, Progress Update

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

The report provided information on Paisley South community safety statistics; environmental enforcement and improvement activities; protecting vulnerable residents; building safer communities; and a spotlight on the Renfrewshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership.

In response to concerns raised by community representatives about littering, Councillor McGurk advised that she would write to all shopkeepers in the Braehead Road, Glenburn area to highlight the problem.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

2 Street Stuff Annual Report

There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Resources relative to the continued development of the Street Stuff Programme and seeking an award of £5,000 for 2017/18 to contribute towards the costs of additional activity sessions within the LAC area including attendance at local gala days and fetes.

The report intimated that Street Stuff had been delivering activities in Renfrewshire since 2009, during which they had contributed to a sustained reduction in reported youth disorder and anti-social behaviour. Over the last few years the LAC had been keen to consider funding additional activities within their area which would allow additional sessions to be programmed within communities that were not identified at a Renfrewshire level as areas that had a particular problem with anti-social behaviour or children living in poverty. Given the scale of the core programme it was proposed that a contribution of £5,000 per LAC area be considered, which was similar to the contribution in previous years. This funding would contribute to the costs of delivery of up to two activity sessions per week within the LAC area, through the peak summer, autumn and spring months, as well as attendance at local gala days and fetes.

DECIDED:

(a) That the continued development of the Street Stuff Programme as detailed in the report be noted; and

(b) That £5,000 be awarded to the Street Stuff Programme for 2017/18 to contribute towards the costs of additional activity sessions within the LAC area including attendance at local gala days and fetes.

3 Open Session/ Key Local Issues

(a) RAI Update

The Regulatory and Enforcement Manager provided an update relative to actions taken to mitigate various forms of anti-social behavior at the former RAI building.

Councillor McGurk advised that she would arrange to meet members of the local residents' action group to discuss the problems they were facing and work towards possible solutions.

DECIDED: That the position be noted.

4 Budget Monitoring Report

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to the Paisley South LAC budget for 2017/18, totalling £111,436 consisting of £72,750 General Grant Fund, £15,000 Paisley Common Good Fund and £23,686 Youth Challenge Fund. The appendix to the report detailed the expenditure committed by the LAC in 2016/17.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

5 Applications for Local Area Committee 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

Langcraigs Parent Council – Purchase of blackout curtains – Awarded £8,000

Heriot Primary Parent Council – Provision of outdoor exercise equipment for children – Awarded £9,800 subject to the submission of insurance proposals and maintenance plan for the equipment

Blacklandmill Bowling Club – Repairs to gutters and potholes - Awarded £10,000

The Thursday Club – Various activities for older people – Awarded £3,050

Aspire Community Solutions Charity – Environmental projects – Awarded £5,000

Glenburn Seniors Forum – Speakers nights and film shows – Awarded £500

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor McCartin having declared an interest in the following request for funding remained in the meeting and did not take part in any voting thereon.

Paisley Opera – Start-up costs – Awarded £10,000

Charleston Tenants' & Residents' Association – Social activities - Awarded £2,000

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Burns having declared an interest in the following request for funding remained in the meeting and did not take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

St Columba's Playgroup – Running costs – Awarded £2,562

Renfrewshire Leisure Active Schools - Lunch and after-school clubs - Awarded £9,783

5th Paisley Girls Brigade - Purchase of materials - Awarded £1,500

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Burns having declared an interest in the following request for funding remained in the meeting and did not take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

Glenfield Pre-5 Centre - Erection of canopy - Awarded £6,300

MULTI-AREA

Councillor McGurk, seconded by Councillor Montgomery, moved that the multi-area applications for LAC funding be awarded on a pro-rata basis, taking into account the remaining balance and the total value of the remaining applications, subject to the LAC agreeing that each application be granted such an award. This was agreed unanimously.

In terms of Standing Order 16, Councillor McGurk advised that the application from Rays of Hope would be considered before the other multi area applications as the group had not received any funding from the meeting of this LAC held in May 2016.

Rays of Hope – Various activities – Awarded £2,000

Glenburn Stroke & Disability Support Group – Support and activities – Awarded £1,166

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Burns, Provost Cameron and Councillor McGurk having declared an interest in the following request for funding remained in the meeting and did not take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

Paisley on the Web – Running costs – Declined

I Am Me Scotland – Development of disability hate crime book – Awarded £614

5th Paisley Oldhall Scout Group – Hall refurbishment – Awarded £1,228

Jennyswell Blind School – Specialist equipment - Declined

CREATE Paisley – Creative programmes for young people – Awarded £2,755

Cornerstone Drop-in – Drop-in programme running costs – Awarded £115

RAMH – No Substitute for Life – Suicide awareness event – Awarded £115

Oakshaw Trinity Friendly Hour – Hire of minibus to transport members to meetings – Awarded £123

Braehead Junior Ice Hockey Club – Costs of ice hire – Awarded £212

Greensyde Carers – Tracksuits for members training with Mildale Athletics Team – Awarded £30

The Wynd Centre – Provision of youth counselling service - Declined

The Wynd Centre – Provision of adult counselling service – Awarded £368

RSPB Renfrewshire Local Group – Provision of presentation equipment – Awarded £37

The Boys Brigade Paisley & District Battalion – Events and activities – Awarded £154

Scottish Afro-Caribbean Art Association – Diversity events including carnival – Awarded £3,791

Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities – Drop-in centre – Awarded £1,422

Phoenix Activities Group – Craft based activities for people with mental health issues – Awarded £258

Twist and Hit Cheerleaders – Provision of sprung floor – Awarded £1,535

Paisley Pirates Ice Hockey Club – Assistance with increasing ice costs – Awarded £614

Changing Stages Drama Group – Assist with costs of drama highlighting mental health and addiction issues - Awarded £259

Paisley Guitar Group – Promotion of guitar to people with mental health issues – Awarded £190

St James Orchestra – Accommodation costs – Awarded £92

Forever Young – Activities for sheltered housing residents – Awarded £614

Meikleriggs Cricket Foundation – Provision of cricket sessions – Awarded £1,443

Ferguslie Cricket Club – Purchase of multi-purpose tractor - Declined

Renfrewshire Access Panel – Provision of disability access assessments – Awarded £614

Ferguslie Cricket Club – Replacement sight screen – Awarded £1,535

Alba Thistle AFC – League affiliation fees and equipment – Awarded £242

Paisley Peoples' Archive – Historical mills project – Awarded £162

Rainbow Turtle – Provision of education programme – Awarded £461

Phoenix Flyers – Maintenance and improvement of training facilities – Awarded £307

Renfrewshire Bowling Association Under 25s – Cost of bowls, buses and team clothing – Awarded £184

Renfrewshire Youth Voice – Production of 'Positive about Youth' awards – Awarded £280

C Change Scotland – Outreach work for people with learning disabilities – Awarded £614

Paisley & District Scout Association – International camp in Poland – Awarded £767

PACE Theatre Company – Package of support for disadvantaged young people to join PACE – Awarded £348

Feis Phaislig – Provision of traditional music tuition – Awarded £310

Basketball Paisley – Provision of basketball coaching programme – Awarded £289

Shopmobility Paisley & District – Insurance – Awarded £92

Paisley YMCA – Digital maker space for young people – Awarded £1,890

DirectDevitt Comedy and Management Productions CIC – Criminal justice and mental health workshops for young people, subject to conditions to be agreed with the Director of Children’s Services – Awarded £1,202

Lamont Farm Project – 50% of running costs – Awarded £614

Fitting-in – health programme for young people deemed to be ‘at risk’ – Awarded £325

Renfrewshire Sports Network – Pilot community games event – Awarded 307

Paisley Florist Society Gardening Club – Annual show – Awarded £46

2175 (Rolls Royce) Squadron ATC – Remote aircraft flying project – Awarded £189

Association of African Communities in Renfrewshire – Rent and office and volunteer expenses – Awarded £373

Loud ‘n’ Proud – Production of ‘The Bungalow’ musical including training for young people – Awarded £737

The Neighbourhood Challenge – Community clean-ups – Awarded £307

B Company West Lowland BN Army Cadet Force – Cost of annual camp – Awarded £630

Renfrewshire Schools Pipe Band – Uniforms, drums and transport costs for junior pipe band – Awarded £768

Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Communities – Black history month – Declined

Renfrewshire Council Youth Services – Development of Youth Commission in Mental Health – Application withdrawn

Girls’ Brigade Renfrew Division – Training, hire of premises and transport – Awarded £74

The Breastfeeding Network – Support and volunteer costs – Awarded £430

Walking Tours on Wheels – Promotion of themed tours in Paisley and surrounding area – Awarded £246

The Cathedral Club – Activities for older people – Awarded £599

6 Timetable of Meetings

There was submitted a report by the Director of Finance & Resources relative to the timetable of LAC meetings to December 2017.

DECIDED: That the Senior Committee Services Officer (LACs) write to all members of the Paisley South LAC to help determine the most suitable date for future meetings and that the date of the next meeting be agreed by the Director of Finance & Resources in consultation with the Convener.

