

## Notice of Meeting and Agenda Local Partnership - The Villages

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 14 December 2023	18:00	Remotely by MS Teams,

MARK CONAGHAN  
Head of Corporate Governance

### Membership

Councillor Robert Innes (Chair): David Blair (Renfrewshire District Scouts) (Vice-chair)

Councillor Fiona Airlie-Nicolson: John Anderson (Howwood Sports and Hobbies): Councillor Alison Ann-Dowling: Anne-Marie Balfour (Elderslie Community Council): Ross Anderson (Lochwinnoch Community Council): vacant position (Bridge of Weir Community Council): Councillor Jacqueline Cameron: Councillor Andy Doig: Councillor Audrey Doig: Margaret Dundas (Brookfield Community Council): James Fletcher (Brookfield Bowling Club): Councillor Chris Gilmour: Meg Gilzean (Bridge of Weir Tenants and Residents Association): Councillor Gillian Graham: Councillor John Hood: Ian Andrew (Houston Community Council): Councillor James MacLaren: Councillor Colin McCulloch: Stirling McGee (Renfrewshire Youth Voice): Councillor David McGonigle: Councillor Iain McMillan: Rev. Gary Noonan (Houston and Killellan Kirk): Linda O'Malley (Rays of Hope): Councillor Emma Rodden: Councillor Andy Steel: Fiona Stewart (Kilbarchan Community Council): Neil Thomson (Brighter Bridge of Weir): Scott Young (Howwood Community Council):

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## Items of business

### Apologies

Apologies from members.

### Declarations of Interest and Transparency Statements

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

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| <b>1</b> | <b>Minute</b>  | <b>5 - 10</b>  |
|          | Minute of meeting of this Local Partnership held on 21 September 2023. |                |
| <b>2</b> | <b>Budget Monitoring Report</b>  | <b>11 - 14</b> |
|          | Report by Chief Executive.   |                |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Renfrewshire Tourism Plan</b>                                       |                |
|          | Presentation by Andrew McKean.   |                |
| <b>4</b> | <b>Community Learning &amp; Development Team</b>                       |                |
|          | Presentation by Isobel Sinclair.                                       |                |
| <b>5</b> | <b>Winter Connections</b>  |                |
|          | Presentation by Stuart Graham.   |                |
| <b>6</b> | <b>Date of Next Meeting</b>  |                |
|          | To be confirmed.   |                |





## Minute of Meeting Local Partnership - The Villages

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Thursday, 21 September 2023	18:00	Remotely by MS Teams,

### Present

Councillor Fiona Airlie-Nicolson, Anne-Marie Balfour (Elderslie Community Council), Councillor Jacqueline Cameron, Councillor Andy Doig, Councillor Audrey Doig, James Fletcher (Brookfield Bowling Club), Councillor Chris Gilmour, Meg Gilzean (Bridge of Weir Tenants and Residents Association), Councillor Robert Innes, Councillor James MacLaren, Councillor Colin McCulloch, Councillor David McGonigle, Councillor Iain McMillan, Councillor Andy Steel and Fiona Stewart (Kilbarchan Community Council).

### Chair

Councillor Innes, Chair, presided.

### In Attendance

P Moss, Strategy, Policy & Insight Manager (Lead Officer), S Graham, Partnerships Planning & Development Manager, I Sinclair, Senior Community Development Officer and E Roscoe, Regeneration & Place Officer (all Chief Executive's); and E Currie, Senior Committee Services Officer and J Long, Project Officer (both Finance & Resources).

### Community Planning Partners

A McNiven, Chief Executive and A McBride, Community Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund Officer (both Engage Renfrewshire).

### Recording of 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.

## **Apologies**

John Anderson (Howwood Sports and Hobbies), Councillor Alison Ann-Dowling, Margaret Dundas (Brookfield Community Council), Councillor Gillian Graham, Councillor John Hood, Mark Arthur (Houston Community Council), Stirling McGee (Renfrewshire Youth Voice) and Neil Thomson (Brighter Bridge of Weir).

## **Declarations of Interest and Transparency Statements**

There were no declarations of interest or transparency statements intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

### **1 Minute**

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of this Local Partnership held on 25 May 2023.

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

### **2 The Villages Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the funds allocated by this Local Partnership in 2023/24, the current budget position and feedback received from recipients of funding.

**DECIDED:** That the report and feedback received from recipients of funding in 2022/23 be noted.

### **3 Application to The Villages Local Partnership: Kilbarchan Community Council**

Under reference to item 3 of the Minute of the meeting of this Local Partnership held on 25 May 2023, there was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the application for funding received from Kilbarchan Community Council.

The report intimated that this application had been referred to the Villages Investment Fund and that the applicant had subsequently been awarded funding of £1,000 together with a further cost of £800 requested as an update to the original application of £2,000. This left a balance of £1,000 and the report requested that the Local Partnership consider awarding this amount to Kilbarchan Community Council.

**DECIDED:** That £1,000 be awarded to Kilbarchan Community Council, from the remaining budget of £10,000, to fund the outstanding amount required in respect of application FR1059.

#### 4 **The Villages Local Partnership: Deferred Applications**

Under reference to item 3 of the Minute of the meeting of this Local Partnership held on 25 May 2023, there was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to applications for funding received from Kelburn Cricket Club Cricket Section and Renfrewshire Access Panel which had been deferred for further information.

The report intimated that Kelburne Cricket Club Cricket Section had since withdrawn their application for funding FR1083 as the project was a summer activity and had requested that members note that although the Club was based in Paisley, it was keen to work across Renfrewshire as the project concept was to provide coaching visits to local primary schools.

The report advised that Renfrewshire Access Panel had provided the missing text from their application summary and the full application summary in relation to FR1155 formed Appendix 1 to the report.

#### **DECIDED:**

(a) That Renfrewshire Access Panel be awarded £2,561.61, from the remaining budget, in respect of application FR1155; and

(b) That it be noted that Kelburne Cricket Club Cricket Section had withdrawn their application for funding FR1083 as the project was a summer activity and members noted that although the Club was based in Paisley, it was keen to work across Renfrewshire as the project concept was to provide coaching visits to local primary schools.

#### 5 **Application for Local Partnership Funding to The Villages Local Partnership 2023/24**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to an application for funding received from Kilbarchan Smile requesting £7,275 from The Villages Local Partnership in 2023/24. A copy of the application summary was appended to the report.

The report intimated that at the meeting held on 25 May 2023, the Local Partnership agreed that, as the budget was oversubscribed, a £5,000 limit be placed on applications.

**DECIDED:** That Kilbarchan Smile be awarded £5,000, from the remaining balance, in respect of application FR1164.

#### 6 **Lochwinnoch Community Development Trust: request to amend use of previous award**

The Lead Officer advised that Lochwinnoch Community Development Trust had been awarded funding from the previous round of Celebrating Renfrewshire in relation to their application for gym equipment for use by teenagers. Following this award the organisation had advised that local teenagers had requested that this funding be used for the provision of a teen/youth shelter rather than gym equipment. Further that the

ward members were in agreement with this reallocation of funding and that Council colleagues would work closely with the organisation regarding the purchase and location of the shelter.

**DECIDED:** That it be agreed that Lochwinnoch Community Development Trust utilise the funding awarded from the previous round of Celebrating Renfrewshire for the provision of a teen/youth shelter.

## 7 **Celebrating Renfrewshire Results**

The Senior Community Development Officer, Environment, Housing & Infrastructure, gave a presentation which provided an update in respect of the Celebrating Renfrewshire Fund 2023/24 which allocated grant funding via a participatory budget process.

The presentation outlined the priorities of the Fund and advised that 18 eligible applications had been received relating to The Villages Local Partnership area seeking funding of £23,907.00. The Villages Local Partnership received 158 voters casting 474 votes. Full details of the awards made were provided.

It was noted that information relating to the village(s) each application related to would be provided to members.

**DECIDED:** That the presentation be noted and that information relating to the village(s) each application related to would be provided to members.

## 8 **Castle Semple/Muirshiel Strategic Tourism Infrastructure Development**

The Regeneration & Place Officer, Chief Executive's, gave a presentation to members providing an overview of the Strategic Tourism Infrastructure Development (STID) Plan which set out recommendations to enhance certain infrastructure and relieve visitor pressure points in and around Castle Semple. The STID had a short to medium term focus and provided recommendations for the long-term potential of the Regional Park with Castle Semple at its core. The Plan output was a programme of phased investment over the next five years with priority projects, many of which were eligible for RFIF funding.

The presentation contained detail on the consultation and research behind the STID, the eight priority projects, the next steps and the Castle Semple vision.

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

## 9 **Community Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund**

The Community Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund Officer, Engage Renfrewshire, gave a presentation to members on the Community Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund.



The Local Partnership was advised that the Community Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund was now in its third year and that the fund for applications for 2023/24 would open on 29 September and close on 30 November 2023.

Engage Renfrewshire had been allocated £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. It was noted that successful groups would be notified in early February 2024 with payments made in March 2024.

Members were informed that Engage Renfrewshire had a Network Newsletter which was published and issued monthly to promote funding and training opportunities and advised of network events and news. Further updates on this fund would be provided at a future meeting of this Local Partnership.

**DECIDED:**

(a) That the presentation be noted; and

(b) That further updated information be provided to a future meeting of this Local Partnership.

**10 Community Learning & Development Team**

The Senior Community Development Officer, Environment, Housing & Infrastructure, gave a presentation updating members on the delivery of summer camps with StreetStuff, the outcomes of the youth and family learning surveys, the upcoming HMI progress visits, the Adult Learners Award, the Youth Voice Programme and community capacity including Celebrating Renfrewshire..

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

**11 Update on Local Partnerships Review**

The Partnerships Planning & Development Manager, Chief Executive's, provided members with information on how Community and Planning, led by the Partnership and Inequalities team, would reach out to members and those who had received grants to gauge their experience of Local Partnerships to date. Through surveys and discussions, members views on whether Local Partnerships had met aims and objectives, what worked well and what could be improved would be identified.

Further information on the results of these surveys and discussions would be submitted to future meetings of all Local Partnerships.

**DECIDED:**

(a) That the information provided be noted; and

(b) That further updates be provided at future meetings of the Local Partnership.

12 **Date of Next Meeting**

**DECIDED:** That it be noted that the next meeting of this Local Partnership would be held remotely on MS teams at 6.00 pm on 14 December 2023.



**To: Villages Local Partnership**

**On: 14 December 2023**

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

**TITLE:**  
**Villages Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report**

**1. Summary**

- 1.1 Villages 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 Villages Local Partnership in 2023/24 and current budget position is attached as an appendix to this report.

**2. Recommendation**

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



## Villages Budget Monitoring Report 2023/24

<b>General Grant Fund</b>	<b>£50,441.00 (net of Members expenses)</b>
<b>Total Funding Awards Available</b>	<b>£50,133.61</b>
	<b>£307.39</b>

Grant Ref	Organisation	Awarded	Paid	Still to be paid
FR1045	REEM (Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities)	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
FR1046	Lochwinnoch Choral Society	£1,980.00	£1,980.00	£0.00
FR1048	Lochwinnoch Arts Festival	£1,100.00	£1,100.00	£0.00
FR1050	Local Energy Action Plan	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£0.00
FR1051	The Renfrewshire Toy Bank	£900.00	£900.00	£0.00
FR1053	Lochwinnoch Community Development Trust	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£0.00
FR1054	Calder Drama Club	£700.00	£700.00	£0.00
FR1055	Renfrewshire Walking Network	£570.00	£570.00	£0.00
FR1058	1st Bridge of Weir Scout Group	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£0.00
FR1059	Kilbarchan Community Council	£1,000	£1,000	£0.00
FR1064	Fèis Phàislig	£4,470.00	£4,470.00	£0.00
FR1076	The Kilbarchan Singers	£3,452.00	£3,452.00	£0.00
FR1085	Elderslie Community Council	£300.00	£300.00	£0.00
FR1106	PACE Theatre Company	£1,600.00	£1,600.00	£0.00
FR1115	Lochwinnoch SWI	£250.00	£250.00	£0.00
FR1126	Bridge Of Weir Community Council	£2,300.00	£2,300.00	£0.00
FR1130	Viewfield Rovers AFC	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£0.00
FR1133	Improving with Age	£950.00	£950.00	£0.00
FR1155	Renfrewshire Access Panel	£2,561.61	£0.00	£2,561.60
FR1156	Kilbarchan Improvement Projects	£2,000.00	£2000.00	£0.00
FR1164	Kilbarchan Smile	£5,000	£0.00	£5,000

### Celebrating Renfrewshire Fund

<b>Total funding available in 2023/24</b>	<b>£23,609.00</b>
<b>Carry Forward from 2022/23</b>	<b>£ 298.00</b>
<b>Total funding awarded in 2022/23</b>	<b>£23,907.00</b>
<b>Available funding</b>	<b>£ 0.00</b>

Grant Ref	Organisation	Awarded	Paid	Still to be paid
CE1001	1st Bridge of Weir Scout Group	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	£0.00
CE1002	1st Lochwinnoch Boys' Brigade	£1,500.00	£0.00	£1,500.00
CE1003	1st Lochwinnoch Company Girls' Brigade	£2,906.00	£2,906.00	£0.00
CE1007	Bungalow Enterprises CIC	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1016	Friends of Howwood Park	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	£0.00
CE1023	Johnstone High	£1,000.00	£0.00	£1,000.00
CE1027	Lochwinnoch youth club	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	£0.00
CE1028	Loud n Proud	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1036	Rainbow Turtle	£651.00	£651.00	£0.00
CE1038	Renfrew Town Sea Scouts	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1051	Storm Gymnastics	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
CE1052	Strathgryffe Tennis & Squash Club	£2,350.00	£2,350.00	£0.00
CE1057	Who Cares? Scotland	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£0.00