

Minute of Meeting Local Partnership – Renfrew

Wednesday, 23 September 2020	18:00	Teams Meeting

Present

Diane Booth (Our Place Our Families): Councillor Bill Brown: Samantha Gillan (Renfrew YMCA): Councillor Lisa-Marie Hughes: Councillor Cathy McEwan: Karen MacCrimmon (Friends of Knockhill Park) (in attendance after Item 2 on agenda): Councillor Jim Paterson: Councillor Jane Strang.

Chair

Councillor John Shaw, Chair, presided.

In Attendance

A McArthur, Head of Finance (Lead Officer); L McIntyre, Head of Policy & Commissioning; C Tolan, Senior Planning & Policy Development Officer (both Chief Executive's); D Houston, Assistant Project Manager; and C MacDonald and T Slater, both Senior Committee Services Officers (all Finance & Resources).

Also in Attendance

K McIntyre (Engage Renfrewshire); A O'Hare (Police Scotland) and D Cuthbertson (Renfrewshire Leisure).

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 Shaw declared an interest in item 5 - Renfrew School Outdoor Recreational Equipment, as a family member attended Kirklandneuk Primary School and indicated that it was his intention to leave the meeting and not take part in the discussion and voting thereon.

Councillor Brown declared an interest in Item 3 – Applications for Local Partnership Funding in Renfrew 2020/21 (FR1134), as a relative was a member of the organisation and indicated that he would remain in the meeting but not take part in discussion or voting thereon.

Diane Booth declared an interest in Item 3 – Applications for Local Partnership Funding in Renfrew 2020/21 (FR1103), as she was a member of the organisation and indicated that it was her intention to leave the meeting and not take part in the discussion and voting thereon.

Samantha Gillan declared an interest in Item 3 – Applications for Local Partnership Funding in Renfrew 2020/21 (FR1220), as she was a member of the organisation and indicated that it was her intention to leave the meeting and not take part in the discussion and voting thereon.

1 Minute of Previous Meeting

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Local Partnership held on 6 November 2019.

In relation to item 4 – Local Partnership Priorities an update was given in respect of the Mural Project at the underpass between Fulbar Avenue and Craigielea Road.

DECIDED:

- (a) That the Minute be approved;
- (b) That the update be noted.

2 Membership of Renfrew Local Partnership

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the membership of Renfrew Local Partnership.

The report advised that there was currently a vacancy for one community member. An expression of interest had been received from Karen McCrimmon, representing Friends of Knockhill Park.

DECIDED: That the appointment of Karen McCrimmon, representing Friends of Knockhill Park, to the vacant position as member of Renfrew Local Partnership be agreed.

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Karen MacCrimmon (Friends of Knockhill Park) joined the meeting prior to the next item of business.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Karen MacCrimmon declared an interest in Item 3 – Applications for Local Partnership Funding in Renfrew 2020/21 (FR1151), as she was a member of the organisation and indicated that it was her intention to leave the meeting and not take part in the discussion and voting thereon.

3 Applications for Local Partnership Funding in Renfrew – 2020/21

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the applications for Local Partnership Funding in Renfrew for 2020/21.

The report intimated that applications for funding from the Local Partnership had been invited to reflect Renfrew Local Partnership's priorities of Bringing Renfrew Town Centre to Life; Moving Around and Connectivity; Making the most of Public Assets; Strengthening Social Connections and Maximising Economic Impact.

The available allocation for Renfrew was £107,813, made up of £40,453 from the General Fund and £67,360 from the Common Good Fund. The sum of £50 per community representative was required to be ringfenced for potential claims of administrative expenses, which left a balance of £107,463 for allocation.

The report advised that the Youth Challenge Fund component of Renfrew's funding, now known as Celebrating Renfrewshire, was £18,657. This would be allocated by young people through a Participatory Budgeting process, which was currently underway.

The Chair proposed a method for considering the applications, which could be amended as appropriate, as each application was discussed. This was agreed.

The Chair further advised of some amendments to the applications, as follows:-

FR1144 – C Change Scotland. The summary document indicated that the amount requested was £1,500, but should have been £2,500 as correctly stated in the application.

FR1076 – Paisley Pirates Ice Hockey Club - application had been withdrawn

FR1096 – Braehead Junior Ice Hockey Club - application had been withdrawn

FR1141 – PACE Theatre Company Ltd – application had been withdrawn

FR1115 – YMCA Paisley – application had been withdrawn

Following consideration, the Local Partnership agreed that the undernoted application be determined, as follows:-

FR1126 - Home Start – application deferred to next meeting for further information

FR1127 – Playbus - application deferred to next meeting for further information

FR1150 - Wynd Centre – declined

Applications with Direct Reference to Renfrew Local Priorities

FR1066 - Health & Wellbeing for over 50s – awarded £2,500.00

FR1075 - Renfrew Accordion and Fiddle club – awarded £440.00

FR1095 - Renfrewshire Walking Network – awarded £500.00

FR1111 - Boys Brigade Paisley & District Battalion – awarded £250.00

FR1128 - Renfrewshire Toy Bank – awarded £1,214.00

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Brown having declared a non-financial interest in application FR1134, remained in the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

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FR1134 - Arkleston & Newmains Over 60s – awarded £1,200.00

FR1144 - C-Change Scotland – awarded £2,500.00

FR1156 – RAMH – awarded £2,311.00

FR1172 - Renfrewshire Access Panel – awarded £2,239.32

FR1201 - Renfrew Association of Growers & Gardeners – awarded £2,000.00

FR1212 - Shopmobility Paisley & District – awarded £1,358.00

FR1215 - Paisley & District U3A– awarded £500

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

D Booth having declared an interest in application FR1103, left the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

FR1103 - Our Place our Families – awarded £8,950.00

SEDERUNT

D Booth re-entered the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

K MacCrimmon having declared an interest in application FR1151, left the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

FR1151 - Friends of Knockhill Park – awarded £10,000.00

SEDERUNT

K MacCrimmon re-entered the meeting.

Applications with Partial or No Reference to Renfrew Local Priorities

FR1043 - Eat Up – declined
FR1065 - Paisley & District Royal British Legion Pipe Band – declined
FR1073 - Rainbow Turtle – declined
FR1089 - Paisley Sea Cadets – declined
FR1125 – REEM – declined
FR1152 - Loud - n – Proud – declined
FR1179 - Lamont Farm – declined
FR1182- REEM – declined
FR1183 - Oakshaw Trinity Friendly Hour – declined
FR1209 - Phoenix Flyers – declined

DECIDED: That it be agreed to award the grant applications as noted above.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

S Gillan having declared an interest in the following item, left the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

4 FR1220 Application by Renfrew YMCA

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to the application for Local Partnership Funding by Renfrewshire YMCA.

The report advised that after the closing date for applications for Local Partnership funding in March 2020, Renfrew YMCA were informed by contractors that an additional £13,325 of work on roof beams of the building was necessary to maintain its structural safety. Due to the unforeseen nature of the additional costs, the Chair of Renfrew Local Partnership agreed that the request for additional funding from Renfrew Common Good be presented to the Local Partnership for consideration.

DECIDED: That Renfrew YMCA be awarded £13,325

SEDERUNT

S Gillan re-entered the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Shaw having declared an interest in the following item vacated the chair, left the meeting prior to its consideration and took no part in any discussion or voting thereon.

CHAIR

S Gillan, Depute Chair, took the chair for the following item of business.

5 Renfrew School Outdoor Recreational Equipment

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to ringfencing funding for the six schools with Renfrew for the purchase and installation of outdoor recreational equipment.

The report advised that a practical way of making the most of public assets in Renfrew and encouraging the strengthening of social connections in young people was to invest in improving outdoor recreation equipment at school sites for use by school pupils and the wider community.

It was proposed that Renfrew Local Partnership ringfenced funding to be made available to the fund-raising bodies of the four primary schools and two secondary schools within Renfrew to enhance outdoor recreational equipment within the playground/yard of each of the six schools.

The sum proposed to be made available for use within each school would be £3,500 (total £21,000).

DECIDED: That it be agreed that Renfrew Local Partnership ringfence a sum of £21,000 (£3,500 per school) to be made available for use within the six schools in Renfrew to purchase and install outdoor recreational equipment.