

To: Education and Children's Services Policy Board

On: 12 March 2020

Report by: Director of Children's Services

Heading: Distribution of Funding to Support Services for Children and Families – Funding Allocation for 2020/21

1. Summary

- 1.1. Renfrewshire Council is committed to supporting the independent sector's contribution to early years provision in Renfrewshire through the allocation of funding to support a range of private and voluntary sector organisations which deliver services for families with young children.
 - 1.2. This report provides information on the proposed allocation of funding during 2020/21 to out of school care groups in the private and voluntary sector and for early years voluntary sector organisations, playgroups and toddler groups.
 - 1.3. Acceptance of the recommendations contained within the report will result in £163,089 being disbursed to private and voluntary sector organisations.
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2. Recommendations

- 2.1. The education and children's services policy board is asked to:
 - i. approve the resource allocation to support the delivery of services for children and young people as outlined in appendix 1 to this report; and
 - ii. agree the proposed allocation of grant funding for out of school care and pre five voluntary sector as detailed in appendices 2 and 3 attached to this report, subject to the completion of satisfactory checks and assessments.
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3. Background

- 3.1. Renfrewshire Council has been committed to developing and supporting services for families for many years. A number of private and voluntary sector organisations deliver a range of these services within Renfrewshire.
 - 3.2. Working in partnership with providers from the private and voluntary sector, including out of school care and playgroups has enabled the council to continue to support families with young children.
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4. Proposals for the Allocation of Funding 2020/21

- 4.1. Renfrewshire Council continues to support voluntary sector organisations through the distribution of funding for the delivery of services for families with young children.
- 4.2. For the avoidance of doubt, payments will only be made to those recommended organisations detailed within this report when all satisfactory checks and assessments have been completed. These checks also include financial information and latest Care Inspectorate grades.
- 4.3. Appendix 1 of this report provides an overview of the proposed allocation of £163,089 for grants to voluntary sector organisations supporting children and families, out of school care services and pre-5 voluntary sector playgroups for 2020/21.
- 4.4. Appendix 2 attached to the report provides a breakdown of the proposed allocation of £30,839 to the out of school care sector.
- 4.5. The criteria agreed for the disbursement of the resources for out of school care services continues to ensure an equal and fair allocation of the resources. Each point awarded translates into a sum of money, with the funding allocated to each group agreed by the policy board. The education and children's services policy board at its meeting on the 15 March 2018 approved a point value of £100 per point. The proposed allocation of funding outlined in appendix 3 is based on a point value of £100.
- 4.6. Appendix 3 of this report provides a breakdown of the proposed allocation of £3,050 to the pre-5 voluntary sector playgroups and toddler groups.
- 4.7. Rainbow nursery is presently operated by Childcare First Ltd and is registered with the Care Inspectorate to provide early learning and childcare to a maximum of 45 children not yet attending primary school, at any one time. The nursery operates a service for children aged from 0 to 3 years and children aged 3 to 5 years.
- 4.8. The Board of Childcare First has intimated its intention to close Rainbow nursery on 30 June 2020. It is recommended that a limited grant allocation of up to £70,000 be made to support Rainbow nursery to enable the service to continue until the end of the school year to support the continuation of the service and transition arrangements for those children transferring to primary school. The proposed grant allocation is included in the grant overview attached as appendix one to this report.

- 4.9. Further applications for grants which are under £1,500 will be approved by the director of children's services using delegated authority on the basis of the council's existing scheme of delegation functions. Any award greater than £1,500 will be presented to future education and children services policy boards for approval.

Implications of this report

1. Financial

Cost relating to the proposals in this report will be met from existing funding resources.

2. HR and Organisational Development

None.

3. Community/Council Planning

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| Our Renfrewshire is thriving | - Ensuring the best start in life for children and young people. |
| Our Renfrewshire is well | - Early intervention will lead to healthier outcomes for children and young people. |
| Our Renfrewshire is safe | - The provision of funding to local groups contributes to the development of local communities. |
| Building strong, safe and resilient communities | - The quality of community life is enhanced by supporting parents, children and young people. |
| Tackling inequality, ensuring opportunities for all | - Effective governance arrangements ensure that the organisations receiving funding comply with legislative requirements. |
| Creating a sustainable Renfrewshire for all to enjoy | - Support to families and flexible childcare placements will support parents into and sustain employment, training or enter education. |

4. Legal

The Education (Scotland) Act 1980 empowers the Council to provide a range of grants. Payments will be in line with the Council's conditions of grant.

The Council's conditions of grant will apply to approved voluntary sector providers, out of school care and play group and toddler groups as detailed in appendix 1, 2 and 3 of the report.

5. Property/Assets

None.

6. Information Technology

None.

7. Equality and Human Rights

A condition of the grants agreement is that services comply with the Equality Act 2010.

8. Health and Safety

None.

9. Procurement

None.

10. Risk

All grant awards issued by the Council are subject to the Council's approved conditions of grant as detailed in Section 4 of this report and to compliance with appropriate risk management procedures.

11. Privacy Impact

Personal information will only be held as required in order to deliver the service. This will be done in accordance with all data protection legislation.

12. Cosla Policy Position

None.

13. Climate Risk

None.

List of Background Papers

None.

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Service	Outcome	Funding proposed 2020/21
Home-Start Renfrewshire and Inverclyde	Outreach service for families with children under 5 years	£45,200
Moorpark Community Association Cherrie Children Daycare	Support to residents from designated data zones in the Moorpark and Renfrew area.	£14,000
Childcare First Ltd	Support to Rainbow nursery to enable the service to continue until the end of the school year to support the continuation of the service and transition arrangements for children transferring to primary school.	Up to £70,000
Out of School Care Services (appendix 2)	Support to out of school care services in the independent sector.	£30,839
Pre-5 Voluntary Sector Grants (appendix 3)	Support to individual pre-5 voluntary sector providers.	£3,050
Total		£163,089

Appendix 2

Jan-20			OUT-OF-SCHOOL CARE SUPPORT 2020/21									
Name of Group	Care Inspectorate	SIMD 2020	Criteria									
			Private	Renfrewshire	Subsidised	Equipment	Expansion of	Expansion of	Holiday cover	Use Schools or	Points	Award
			0 Points	Council	Places	1 point	childcare places	childcare places	1 point	Community halls	Accrued	Recommended
			Voluntary	Targeted	1 Point	per 8 existing	2 points per 8 places	5 points	Per	Term Time Only		
			1 point	Data Zones Area	per 8 places	places	for existing	per 8 places	8 Places	- 1 Point		£100
				5 points			providers	For New		Year Round		
								Provider		-2 Points		
3 Bears Nursery Ltd	3 Bears Nursery - Renfrew	2	0	5	0.00	1.5	0	0	1.5	0	8.00	£800.00
WACA Scotland Ltd	Bishopton Out of School Care-Cornerston	6	0	0	0.63	6.25	0	0	5	-2	9.88	£988.00
WACA Scotland Ltd	Bishopton After Care Service	10	0	0	0.63	5	0	0	0	1	6.63	£663.00
Brediland Out of School Club Limited	Foxbar Out of School Club	8	0	0	0.50	5	0	0	5	0	10.50	£1,050.00
Cairellot Nursery Ltd	Cairellot Nursery Ltd	10	0	0	0.63	8	0	0	8	0	16.63	£1,662.50
Carli's Kindergarten Ltd	CK Childcare - Langbank	9	0	0	1.00	3	0	0	0	0	4.00	£400.00
Carli's Kindergarten Ltd	CK Childcare	5	0	0	1.63	3	0	0	3	-2	5.63	£563.00
Child's Play Out of School Care Ltd	Child's Play - Lochwinnoch	8	0	0	0.00	5	0	0	5	-2	8.00	£800.00
Foxbar Outreach Childcare Services	Foxbar Outreach Childcare Services	2	0	5	0.00	4.38	0	0	4.38	-2	11.75	£1,175.00
Glencoats Lodge Nursery	Glencoats Out of School Care	2	0	5	0.38	5	0	0	5	-2	13.38	£1,337.50
Gryffe Manor Nursery Ltd	Gryffe Manor Out of School Care	8	0	0	2.25	10	0	0	6.25	0	18.50	£1,850.00
Hummingbird Out of School Care Ltd	Hummingbird Out of School Care Ltd	3	0	0	0.00	3.75	0	0	3.75	0	7.50	£750.00
In Safe Hands Childcare Ltd	St James Out of School Care	2	0	5	0.00	7.5	0	0	0	-1	11.50	£1,150.00
Insafe Hands Childcare Ltd	Insafe Hands (Newmains)	4	0	0	0.00	5	0	0	5	-2	8.00	£800.00
Insafe Hands Childcare Ltd	In Safe Hands	2	0	5	0.00	3	0	0	3	0	11.00	£1,100.00
Johnstone Out of School Service	Johnstone Out of School Service	3	1	0	2.00	5	0	0	5	-2	11.00	£1,100.00
Kilbarchan Community Nursery (SCIO)	Kilbarchan Community Nursery SCIO	6	1	0	0.00	2.5	0	0	0	-1	2.50	£250.00
KLAS Care C.I.C	Klas Care C.I.C (Johnston)	3	0	0	1.00	5	0	0	0	-1	5.00	£500.00
Klas Care C.I.C	Klas Care (Linwood)	3	0	0	2.63	5	0	0	5	-2	10.63	£1,062.50
Linwood Community Childcare	Linwood Community Childcare	2	1	5	0.00	4.88	0	0	4.88	-2	13.75	£1,375.00
Momags Kidsclub Ltd	Momags Kidsclub Ltd (Arkleston)	8	0	0	1.13	6.25	0	0	0	-1	6.38	£637.50
Momags Kidsclub Ltd	Momags Kidsclub Ltd (Kirklandneuk)	1	0	5	1.38	6.25	0	0	6.25	-2	16.88	£1,687.50
Moorpark Community Association Cherrie Childrens Day Care	Cherrie Children Daycare	2	1	5	0.00	5	0	0	5	-2	14.00	£1,400.00
Primary Out of School Care	Primary Out of School Care	1	0	5	1.50	5	0	0	0	0	11.50	£1,150.00
Ralston Primary Out of School Care	Ralston After School Care	9	1	0	1.00	10	0	0	10	-2	20.00	£2,000.00
Roin Ltd	Jennyswell OSC -Lochfield	5	0	0	1.00	4	0	0	0	-1	4.00	£400.00
Roin Ltd	Jennyswell OSC -Todholm	4	0	0	1.00	6.25	0	0	2	-1	8.25	£825.00
School's Out Centres Ltd	School's Out - St Annes	5	0	0	0.88	3.75	0	0	0	-1	3.63	£362.50
School's Out Centres Limited	School's Out - Bargarran	5	0	0	2.63	6.25	0	0	6.25	-2	13.13	£1,312.50
School's Out Centres Limited	School's Out - Barsail	5	0	0	2.50	5	0	0	5	-2	10.50	£1,050.00
School's Out Centres Limited	School's Out - Nazarene	5	0	0	1.13	6.25	0	0	0	-1	6.38	£637.50
												£30,839.00

Distribution of funding support services for children and families - pre-five voluntary sector grants 2020/21

Organisation	Purpose of Grant	Recommendation Award 2020/21
Howwood Playgroup	To support with the cost of rent and insurance.	£375
Langbank Playgroup	To support with the salary of 2 worker salary, SPPA insurance, hall rent and contribution towards a healthy snack. Trips and outings.	£375
Langbank Under 3s	To support operating costs and new equipment.	£250
Johnstone Castle Mother and Toddler Group	To support with the cost of rent	£300
Johnstone Teeny Tots	To support the cost of rent.	£300
Barshaw Toddler and Toddlers Plus Group	To support the cost of rent	£300
Rowan Street Playgroup	To support the cost of rent and insurance.	£375
Lylesland Parent and Toddler Group	To support the costs of trips and outings.	£125
Lochwinnoch Toddlers Group	To support operational costs	£500
Kilbarchan Tuesday Tots	To support operational costs	£150
Total		£3,050