Item 12

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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership

Hillhead Area Partnership

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AREA BUDGET 2024/25: APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING

Purpose of Report:

To provide the Area Partnership with details of the current position of the 2024/25 Area Budget; inform members of applications considered under Delegated Functions; and make recommendations on further applications for funding.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to:

(1) note the budget position for 2024/25; and

(2) consider the recommendations on applications received for Area Budget funding in 2024/25, as detailed in Appendix 1.

Introduction

1. This report provides details on the Area Partnership's budget position for 2024/25; applications considered under Delegated Functions; and makes recommendations on further funding applications.

Background

2. Glasgow City Council agreed its budget for 2024/25 on 15th February 2024 with the overall funding available for Area Partnerships maintained at 2023/24 levels. The City Administration Committee approved allocations to Area Partnerships on 21st March 2024. The Hillhead Area Budget for 2024/25 is **£61,838.56.**

3. The Area Partnership committed **£32,195.00** from the 2024/25 Area Budget at its last meeting on 9th April 2024 and **£660.00** has been committed under the Scheme of Delegated Functions.

4. Therefore, a total of **£37,212.96 has been committed** to date to various projects serving the area, leaving a balance of **£24,625.60 yet to be allocated**.

Applications dealt with under Delegated Functions

5. Two applications have been received since the last meeting of the Area Partnership under Delegated Functions. Details of the application(s) are provided below:

Project Title	Applicant	Project Description	Decision	Local Investment Priority
Community-led pleasure and memorial garden space for Cresswell Street Children's Play Park PRN: 042/24	Kersland Street Neighbours Association	Funding is to support beautifying this space, increase biodiversity, expand usage, offer a safe green space for all local residents, and demonstrate a shared community responsibility model. KSNA has consulted local residents regarding the project and feedback on plants selected is reflected in this application. KSNA will provide labour to plant the garden and raise funding for upkeep. They have also consulted Hillhead Community Council regarding this project, along with the University of Glasgow, and will include as many interested members of the local community as possible. Planting works align with the planting season for each of the plants, seeds, and bulbs.	Approved £470.00	Vulnerable People Community Safety and Security Cleansing & Environment

		Breakdown of costs: Wildflower Mix 1kg = £113.76 Hydrangeas macrophlla bouquet plants x10 (Scotplantsdirect) = £81.00 Paeonia Whing Wings and Sandra Bernhardt plants x 10 (Binny Plants) = £125.00 Sedum Star Dust Plants x 10 (Scotplantsdirect) = £69.90 Crocus, Daffodil, Bluebell, Snowdrop bulbs x 350 (FarmerGracy) = £80.80 Total cost = £470.46 Amount requested = £470.46		
Harvest Event PRN: 090/24	The Children's Wood	Funding is to support the Harvest Event that will take place on 22nd September in The Children's Wood. The event will feature live music, a circus entertainer, an apple press, and additional tables run by partners (TBC). This annual event attracts around 400 people, and the community have been involved in the planning of the event. Costs include the purchase of a portable PA system, which uses rechargeable batteries. This will allow the group to save money in the long term without the need to hire a PA system each time. Breakdown of costs: Circus Performer = £200.00 Behringer MPA40BT Pro Portable PA System = £50.00 Refreshments = £50.00 Total cost = £475.00 Amount requested = £190.00 Chair of Maryhill Area Partnership also to consider a pro-rata award of £285.00 No of beneficiaries: 100 people from Ward 11	Approved £190.00 [Pro-rata application] [Maryhill AP approved £285.00]	Safer Neighbourhoods Culture and Leisure

Ineligible Applications

6. There were no ineligible applications in this round of funding for Hillhead ward.

Area Budget Applications

7. **Appendix 1** provides a summary of applications that have been received and require consideration. Each application has been assessed and a recommendation is offered which may include specific conditions, in addition to the standard GCC conditions of grant.

Recommendations

8. The Area Partnership is asked to:

    1) note the budget position for 2024/25; and

    2) consider the recommendations on applications received for Area Budget funding in 2024/25, as detailed in Appendix 1.

Appendix 1

Applicant, Project Titles and PRN	Purpose of Award	Local Investment Priority	Total Project Costs (inc. Match funding)	Amount Requested	Recommendation (inc. specific conditions)
SENSORIAL <u>Project Title</u> Exploring Arts and Nature: A Sensory Workshop Series for the Visually Impaired PRN: 543/23	SENSORIAL is a small collective of like-minded artists, teachers, and others, committed to empowering individuals through transformative Sensory Art & Active Learning initiatives. They aim to facilitate a renewed appreciation on Sensory Potentialities in Art, through creative experiences that result in a reflective and beneficial process for all those involved. This workshop proposal for visually impaired individuals aligns with working with vulnerable people by offering inclusive, empowering, and supportive activities. By focusing on sensory experiences and providing a safe space for creative expression, it aims to foster a sense of belonging, confidence, and community among participants. Through these efforts, the proposal seeks to uplift and empower vulnerable individuals, promoting their well-being. The project will also be open to those interested in experiencing Nature via a sensory approach. The workshop will take place in Hillhead Community Hub. SENSORIAL will select/contact participants via Sight Scotland and Visibility Scotland, organisations working with the visually impaired, which are also based in the Hillhead ward. In addition, SENSORIAL will advertise the	Vulnerable People	£2,470.00 <u>Match funding</u> None	£2,470.00	Consider award of £2,470.00 Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - - If the project is unable to go ahead (for COVID or any other reasons), the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council and return the funding as soon as possible, and no later than 31st July 2024 to allow for re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

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	project around the area (Woodside Library, Hillhead Community Hub, and others) to ensure that any final remaining spots on the programme will be aimed at those living with visual impairment who are based in the Hillhead ward. The project aims to provide an immersive and enriching artistic experience. Over the course of eight sessions, participants will engage in a variety of sensory activities designed to deepen their connection with nature and express their creativity through several art techniques. In an inclusive environment, the project will explore the beauty of the surrounding parks (Botanic Gardens, Kelvingrove Park, the Kelvin Walk) and how the natural world in the city around can inspire our artistic self. By providing opportunities for creative expression, community building, and personal growth, this project aims to empower participants to embrace their unique perspectives and talents while fostering a deeper connection to the surrounding world. Session Breakdown (2 hrs approx.) for 15 up to people: - Session 1: Sensory Art and Nature Introduction - Sessions 2, 4 & 6: Exploring Nature Through Touch, Sound, and Smell - Sessions 3, 5 & 7: Creative Art Making - Session 8: Art Exhibition and Celebration				

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	Some of the benefits of this project: -To enhance sensory perception, participants will develop a deeper appreciation for nature through tactile, auditory, and olfactory experiences. -To explore participants' creative potential and express themselves artistically -Sense of belonging, by participating in a supportive and inclusive community of artists, participants will feel valued, respected, and connected to others with similar experiences. <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u> - Art Tutor x 2 (£30 per hour – 2 hour workshops + preparation + evaluation = £120 per workshop) (SENSORIAL) = £1,920.00 - Art material (Various) = £210.00 - Admin & Evaluation (SENSORIAL) = £340.00 **Total cost of project = £2,470.00** **Total amount requested (Hillhead) = £2,470.00** Date of project: September 2024 – March 2025 No of beneficiaries: 15 (Hillhead)				

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Woodlands Community Development Trust <u>Project Title</u> Winter Veg Box Giveaway PRN: 619/11	WCDT are seeking funding towards a project in which they will distribute 360 season fruit and vegetable boxes to households experiencing hardship between December 2024 and February 2025. WCDT will buy in fresh produce from a local wholesaler, bag this up into household packs, and give them out for free to local people struggling financially. The veg box will contain enough produce for at least 10 days and operate once a fortnight. WCDT will include "Pay what you can afford" as well as "Buy it Forward" options to help subsidize costs and increase the overall dignity of the scheme. People will be able to access the scheme on a repeat basis, and we would anticipate that 90 households (360 people) will benefit from the support offered. WCDT have run a veg box scheme since 2021, distributing over 1000 veg boxes per year to households in need. Funding in the past has come from the Lottery Cost of Living Support Fund which will finish at the end of September – and they have advised that this funding stream will no longer be available. As a result, WCDT have applied to the Scottish Power Foundation for funding, which – if successful – will start in April 2025. WCDT will find out if they are successful in January 2025. Due to the changes in funding, WCDT are concerned that the support that local families have come to rely on will be sorely missed over the winter months when need is at its greatest.	Vulnerable People Environment	£4,860.00 <u>Match funding</u> WCDT Donations = £1,260.00 *[Confirmed]*	£3,600.00	Consider award of £3,600.00 Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - - If the project is unable to go ahead (for COVID or any other reasons), the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council and return the funding as soon as possible, and no later than 31st December 2024 to allow for re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

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	Therefore, WCDT are seeking funding from the Area Partnership to fund a vegetable box scheme over the peak winter period ahead of longer term funding being secured for April onward. WCDT will use other funding to subsidise staffing costs involved in the scheme. In a recent Veg Box Survey, 84% of users said that the scheme's affordability was the main reason why they accessed the service. Over 75% said the scheme had "reduced the strain on their household budget"; "80% had been "helped to eat more healthily"; two thirds had "reduced their stress", and a third had been "helped to get through a crisis period". <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u> - Seasonal Fruit and Veg Boxes 360 Boxes @ wholesale cost averaging £10 per box (Seasonal Produce) = £3,600.00 - Staff costs (6 hours per week x £17.50 x 12 weeks) (WCDT) = £1,260.00 **Total cost of project = £4,860.00** **Total amount requested (Hillhead) = £3,600.00** Date of project: Winter 2024/25 No of beneficiaries: 360 (Hillhead)				

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Belgrave Community Garden <u>Project Title</u> Asbestos Removal from Green Space used by Local Community PRN: TBC	Funding is requested for the urgent removal of asbestos from a small brick building that was discovered in a corner of this green space. The shed is adjacent to a brick wall, which supported the raised ground of the north boundary of the garden plot, and was discovered when cartloads of ivy were removed. A structural engineer has advised the group that the structure was roofed with asbestos, and requires removal. Since then, self-sown saplings which were growing inside the building have pushed the asbestos upwards and, more recently, outwards. The group believes that it is urgent that it be removed before it falls off altogether and is used by children or taken by others for use elsewhere. This land has been used and defended by the local community and the Community Council for over 20 years. The Reporter concluded on appeal that it must remain open green space. The Community Council activated planning consent to restore trees which had been illegally felled, and for its use as a community space (19 conditions ensure this). It is used for relaxation, community meetings, children's birthday parties, etc, and is of immeasurable value on social and environmental grounds. It encourages the local community to volunteer. The space is also treasured by those who are isolated or those with additional needs, who often find it difficult to access larger parks at a further distance away. As access cannot be prevented, the asbestos must be removed in the interests of health and	Community Safety and Security Cleansing and Environment Vulnerable People	£1,140.00 <u>Match funding</u> None	£1,140.00	Consider award of £1,140.00 Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - - If the project is unable to go ahead (for COVID or any other reasons), the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council and return the funding as soon as possible, and no later than 31st December 2024 to allow for re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

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	safety. A director has negotiated a favourable offer from a specialist to do so, including removing the saplings and clearing all debris. <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u> - Removal of asbestos by specialist (Aspect Contractors Ltd) = £1,140.00 **Total cost of project = £1,140.00** **Total amount requested (Hillhead) = £1,140.00** Date of project: September/October 2024				