Item 7

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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership.

Govan Area Partnership.

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2025/26 AREA BUDGET: EVALUATION REPORT.

Purpose of Report:

To inform the Area Partnership of the details of projects selected to complete an Evaluation Report.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to note the report in relation to the Govan Area Budget in 2025/26.

Background

1. The City Administration Committee on 13th February 2025 allocated £90,149 to the 2025/26 Govan Area Budget.

Expenditure

2. £90,149 (100%) of the allocation has been awarded for projects that were delivered by 31st March 2026.

Evaluation

3. Projects funded through the Area Budget are required to comply with the Council's Standard Conditions of Funding which states that organisations must comply in full with evaluation requirements.

4. 10% of projects funded during 2025/26 were identified and asked to complete an Evaluation Report. Details of the projects and of the evaluations are included in Appendix 1.

Recommendation

5. The Area Partnership is asked to note the report in relation to the Govan Area Budget 2025/26.

Appendix 1

Govan Area Partnership Budget 2025/26

Budget: £90,149	**Allocated: £90,149**	**Unallocated: £0**

Total Number of Awards: 28	**Awards under delegated authority: 5**	**Awards to GCC/ALEOs: 4**

Client/Project	**Evaluation Submitted by Deadline Y/N**	**Summary Findings** (please include how the project contributed to the investment priorities, the impact on the community and the wider area and the number of beneficiaries). Please also include any information relevant to breach of conditions of grant e.g. non/late submission of documentation or amendments.
LOOP theatre SCIO Winter Programme – Mondays PRN:148/25	Yes	**<u>Summary of Project</u>** LOOP Theatre delivered a programme of accessible Monday creative and social sessions at the Pearce Institute, Govan, during the winter 2025/26 programme. The group size ranged between 12 and 15 participants. The programme supported adults with additional support needs, including people who require substantial support to access creative and community activities. Sessions brought together drama, physical theatre, song and movement, providing opportunities for individual expression and group creativity. Activities were adapted to different physical, sensory and communication needs so that participants could take part at their own pace in a welcoming and supportive environment. Alongside the creative activities, sessions provided time to sit together, talk and develop friendships. Participants were encouraged to express their preferences, make choices and contribute to the group.

		Regular contact with familiar facilitators and peers supported a sense of belonging and created opportunities to build confidence through participation. The programme was supported by the £5,160 Govan Area Budget award. It provided local access to inclusive creative activity for people who can face barriers to participating in mainstream provision. **Impact of Project** The programme addressed the Govan Area Partnership's Vulnerable People priority by providing accessible creative and social activities for adults with additional support needs. Regular sessions created opportunities for participants to build friendships, express their preferences and develop confidence within a familiar, supportive group. One new participant initially attended with a friend and was very shy and self-conscious. Over time, she became comfortable entering ahead of her friend and now enjoys sitting down and chatting with others in the group. This illustrates how regular participation helped her feel welcome, establish friendships and become more confident socially. Another participant's support worker has reported that attending LOOP over several years has helped him become clearer about what he wants. In class, he expresses his preference for his support worker to sit down while he participates. The funded programme supported the continuation of an environment in which his choices are heard and respected. His progress has developed over several years of involvement with LOOP. A participant who also attends LOOP's Ensemble now attends class without her mum or support worker remaining with her, having been dropped off. She has since started college, a step her mum had previously thought she would never take. LOOP held her class place open during the transition, and she has now felt confident enough to move on from the Monday class. Her experience illustrates the value of supporting participants to develop independence and pursue opportunities beyond LOOP.

		These examples demonstrate progress in social connection, confidence, communication and personal choice. Drama and movement also provided opportunities for physical engagement at a level suited to each participant. The programme offered a local space where people could contribute at their own pace, form relationships and receive support to take their next steps. **Spend** £4,680 Sessional Staff Costs Oct 2025 – Mar 2026 £240 Refreshments for workshops Oct 2025 – Mar 2026 £240 Workshop Materials Oct 2025 – Mar 2026 **Total Award Spent:** £5,160   
Halo Arts (Education) Govan Community Cinema	Yes	**Summary of Project** Despite some delays and ups and downs, Govan Community Cinema ran successfully- meeting our aim to make cinema accessible to folks living in Govan. The project provided free community film screenings for all ages, with a film for kids and a film for adults. Screenings were planned for the Billiard Hall at The PI, which has capacity for up to 90 but we ended up using a variety of spaces and the cinema even teamed up with holiday programmes and other initiatives- expanding our reach and giving us lots of community engagement/awareness raising opportunities.

PRN:010/25		The start of the project was delayed because of a delay in getting our initial film licenses. To make up for this we ran additional screenings, particularly over the summer holidays and at Govan Far/Govan Loves Christmas. The project was well executed, high quality and successful, and many of the screenings were well attended. It reached around 370 unique service users, and total attendance across the screenings met our target. We had to deal with the reality of not being able to get a fully blacked out room during the spring and summer months because of the skylights in the ceiling. We tried to remedy this by buying heavy tarpaulin to cover the skylights on the roof, and in the end some of the screenings took place in other spaces. We also saw a unique opportunity to run some concentrated screenings at events. At Govan Fair Loves Christmas, we had Christmas films playing all day in the Billiard Hall, and during the school holiday programme at The PI we had a captive audience for more screenings. Asda donated popcorn and crisps for several of the screenings, and Halo Arts donated leftover tuck stock from our panto. As predicted, the films with the best attendance were the more well-known films such as The Lego Movie, Super Mario and Wicked. When we tried some more independent films, attendance wasn't quite as strong. **Impact of Project** Govan Community Cinema was set up in response to the cost-of-living crisis and the financial barriers to going to the cinema. With the average cinema ticket in Scotland costing around £11, many individuals and families can't afford it. Much like our panto, the cinema screenings exist to remove those barriers, so that people who couldn't afford to go to the cinema were given the opportunity. The project reached around 370 unique service users of all ages, and total attendances across the screenings met our target. It gave Govan a regular, free and welcoming social event close to home, bringing local people together and strengthening community spirit, in line with the Thriving Places priority. It also gave people access to film and cultural enrichment they might not otherwise have had, in line with the Learning and Employment Opportunities priority. There were some challenges: the start was delayed by film licensing processing, attendance was erratic, conditions for the summer venue screenings were difficult, and the project took time to build.

		What we learned is that tagging screenings onto another event, or running them on the same day as something like Govan Fair Loves Christmas, really benefitted us. As an idea for the future, a movie with a hot dog or pizza slices for £3 could make for a better overall experience and might allow the project to go ahead without seeking funding. Moving to a room that can be pitch dark for 12 months of the year would help too, as a full cinema experience can't be achieved in the light of day. We now realise what the project is and plan to build on it. Overall, it was a great and worthwhile project. **Spend** £1,800 Film Licences May 2025 – Mar 2026 £900 Hall Hire May 2025 – Mar 2026 £400 Publicity, print and distribution, flyers, sponsored posts, local listings May 2025 – Mar 2026 £1,500 Screen and Projector hire, Blue Rays, Materials May 2025 – Mar 2026 £280 Contribution to Cinema Licence and Staff May 2025 – Mar 2026 **Total Award Spent:** £4,880
Govan Youth Information Project (GYIP) GYIP Myth Busters Programme - Residential PRN: 003/25		**Summary of Project** With support from the Govan Area Budget, Govan Youth Information Project (GYIP) delivered the Myth Busters Programme, an initiative designed to empower young people to challenge misinformation, tackle discrimination and develop a better understanding of identity, beliefs and community relations. The programme placed young people at the centre of learning, encouraging them to become positive role models who could share their experiences and knowledge with their peers and the wider community. **Belfast Residential** A key element of the programme was a residential trip to Belfast for a group of 16 young people and supporting staff. The residential provided an opportunity for participants to learn about the history, identity and community experiences of people living in Northern Ireland, while exploring how historical events, personal beliefs and misinformation can influence relationships between communities.

		The group had the opportunity to engage with organisations such as Ardoyne Youth Club, learning from their work to address community challenges and promote positive relationships. Through these experiences, young people were encouraged to reflect on their own identities, question assumptions and consider how mistrust and division can develop between different groups. The residential also gave participants the opportunity to build relationships with one another, develop confidence and broaden their understanding of issues affecting communities beyond Govan. **Peer Education and Community Impact** Following the residential and wider programme activities, the young people were to take on a peer-education role by delivering Myth Busters sessions to more than 100 pupils in Primary 6 and Primary 7 at St Saviour's Primary School and Riverside Primary School. The sessions focused on four key themes: • **Myth Busting:** Encouraging young people to question assumptions and challenge stereotypes. • **Discrimination:** Developing an understanding of prejudice, equality, respect and the impact discrimination can have on individuals and communities. • **Misinformation:** Helping young people recognise misleading information and understand the importance of checking facts before accepting or sharing claims. • **Social Media Awareness:** Encouraging responsible online behaviour, critical thinking and greater awareness of how information spreads through social media. By supporting the older participants to share their learning with younger pupils, the programme aimed to create a positive ripple effect throughout the local community. It gave young people the opportunity to put their learning into practice, develop communication and leadership skills and contribute to a more informed, inclusive and understanding community. **Use and Value of the Govan Area Budget Grant** The Govan Area Budget grant supported the delivery of the programme, including costs associated with the Belfast residential, staff time, venue hire, food and a programme celebration event. The funding helped GYIP provide meaningful learning opportunities that extended beyond the classroom. Combining a residential experience with peer-led education enabled young people to

		explore complex issues in an engaging and practical way, while developing skills and confidence they could use in their everyday lives. The programme reflected GYIP's commitment to empowering young people in Govan to make positive contributions to their community. By investing in young people's understanding, leadership and ability to challenge misinformation and discrimination, the project aimed to strengthen relationships, reduce prejudice and encourage a greater sense of responsibility towards others. **Impact of Project** The Myth Busters Programme and Belfast residential provided the young people involved with Govan Youth Information Project (GYIP) with valuable opportunities to develop their confidence, knowledge, life skills and understanding of others. The Belfast residential enabled participants to learn about the history, identities and experiences of communities in Northern Ireland. By engaging with different perspectives and learning about the challenges faced by other communities, young people were encouraged to question their own assumptions, challenge stereotypes and develop greater empathy and respect for people from different backgrounds. Spending time together outside their usual environment also helped strengthen friendships, build trust and develop a sense of teamwork and belonging. The programme further empowered young people by giving them the opportunity to become peer educators and share their learning with younger pupils. Through delivering Myth Busters sessions on discrimination, misinformation, social media awareness and challenging stereotypes, participants could develop their communication, leadership, presentation and critical-thinking skills. Taking on this responsibility helped demonstrate that young people can be positive role models and make a meaningful contribution to their community. The sessions also supported younger pupils to think critically about the information they encounter, recognise the impact of prejudice and discrimination, and understand the importance of treating others with respect. This extended the potential benefits of the project beyond the original group of participants and into local primary schools. Overall, the activities provided young people with opportunities to broaden their horizons, develop transferable skills, build positive relationships and become more informed and responsible members

		of their community. The programme supported GYIP's wider aim of empowering young people in Govan to challenge prejudice, promote inclusion and contribute positively to community life. The programme offered young people more than a residential trip: it provided opportunities to learn about other communities, develop practical life skills and use their experiences to benefit others. The combination of residential learning and peer education supported GYIP's commitment to empowering young people to become confident, responsible and active members of their community. The Govan Area Budget funding helped make these experiences possible, supporting youth development, positive relationships and greater awareness of discrimination and misinformation. It also enabled GYIP to use peer education to share learning more widely, creating opportunities for positive impact among both participating young people and younger pupils. **Spend** £2765.60 Venue Hire (Accommodation/Workshop Space) 20th-24th Oct 2025 £819 Ferry Costs 20th-24th Oct 2025 £558.36 Staff Costs 20th-24th Oct 2025 £1557.18 Food/Hospitality 20th-24th Oct 2025 £1499.86 Transport 20th-24th Oct 2025 **Total Award Spent:** £7,200
Harper Church Kitchen Refurbishment PRN: 340/24	Yes	**Summary of Project** A new kitchen and equipment has been installed to assist us in better providing meals for the community. The works included stainless steel worktops, double industrial sinks, separate hand-washing facilities, a grease trap, a catering dishwasher and a catering microwave. We serve a weekly community meal on a Tuesday at 530 pm, serving up to 50 people. We regularly serve meals after our Sunday morning service (during which anyone is welcome to attend), serving up to 120 people.

		Double Glazing has been installed to improve energy efficiency in the west side of the building – eight windows were replaced. **Impact of Project** The new kitchen has improved our service delivery and allows us to serve more people in our community. Again, we serve a weekly community meal on a Tuesday at 530 pm, serving up to 50 people. We regularly serve meals after our Sunday morning service (during which anyone is welcome to attend), serving up to 120 people. We are located not far from a hotel where many asylum seekers live temporarily. Many asylum seekers have come to our Community Meal on a Tuesday. Likewise, some have joined us on a Sunday and stay for lunches after the service. **Spend** £26,450 Kitchen Equipment & Installation £6,780 UPVC Double Glazing **Total Award Spent:** £9,015
ACVC Hub Glasgow Hoby Clan – Miniature Craft Club PRN: 055/25	Yes	**Summary of Project** The Glasgow Hobby Clan Miniature Craft Club successfully delivered 47 weekly sessions at ACVC HUB, Unit 4A, Moorpark Industrial Estate, Ibrox, Glasgow. Sessions took place every Thursday evening from 6pm to 10pm, engaging 81 individual participants and recording 476 attendances throughout the project. Each week focused on a different theme or creative technique, including beginner painting skills, weathering and battle damage, fantasy miniatures and model-making. The sessions provided structured tuition alongside opportunities for independent creativity, skill-sharing and peer learning. Participants of varying abilities and backgrounds came together in a welcoming, supportive environment to develop their skills, share their interests and build new friendships.

		In addition to the weekly sessions, the project supported several special events that encouraged wider community participation: **Company of Makers Weekend - 23rd and 24th October** A two-day event hosted at ACVC HUB, bringing together 43 participants from Portsmouth and Glasgow. The first day focused on tabletop gaming, encouraging interaction and connections between the visiting Portsmouth group and local gaming communities. The second day was dedicated to miniature painting, creative activities, competitions, prizes and socialising, providing opportunities for participants to share techniques, celebrate their work and develop friendships. **Miniature Painting Awards Event** A full-day event at ACVC HUB attended by 35 people. Participants enjoyed miniature painting, tabletop gaming, competitions, awards and social activities. The event celebrated creativity encouraged skill development and provided opportunities for members of different hobby groups to come together. **24-Hour Paintathon** An established hobby club based at ACVC HUB organised and completed a 24-hour miniature painting challenge, livestreamed through Discord. This helped raise awareness of ACVC HUB's work supporting the Armed Forces Community while introducing new audiences to miniature painting and the wider creative opportunities available at the Hub. Throughout the project, the club welcomed veterans, members of the Armed Forces Community and local civilians, bringing together people who may not otherwise have connected. The combination of structured creative learning, social activities and collaborative events helped establish a growing community centred around shared interests, creativity and mutual support. **Impact of Project** The Glasgow Hobby Clan Miniature Craft Club has made a positive contribution to the wellbeing, social inclusion and creative development of participants, while strengthening connections between the Armed Forces Community and the local Glasgow population.

		Reducing Social Isolation and Building Community One of the most significant outcomes has been the creation of new friendships and social networks. The project brought together members from previously separate gaming communities, including Reapers, Trash Bandits, West Coast Gaming and Fellowship, creating opportunities for individuals to connect through a shared interest in miniature painting and model-making. Rather than participating solely within their existing groups, members were encouraged to share knowledge, support one another and build relationships across different communities. This helped establish a wider, more connected hobby community, offering participants a welcoming environment where they could develop friendships and a sense of belonging. **Supporting Vulnerable People and Mental Wellbeing** The project provided an inclusive, accessible and supportive creative environment for veterans and civilians, including individuals who may experience social isolation or mental health challenges. The structured weekly sessions offered opportunities to develop new skills, improve confidence and experience a sense of achievement through creativity. The shared interest in miniature painting also provided a natural starting point for conversation, allowing individuals to engage socially without pressure. By providing affordable creative activities within an established community Hub, the project helped remove barriers to participation and encouraged continued social engagement. **Strengthening Communities and Creating Thriving Places** The Company of Makers weekend was particularly successful in bringing together members of the Armed Forces Community from Portsmouth with local Glasgow hobbyists. This created new connections beyond the immediate local area, encouraging collaboration, shared learning and lasting community relationships. A particularly positive and sustainable outcome has been the development of a new hobby club venture by the project's tutor, who is a resident of Cardonald. Building on the experience and success of delivering the funded sessions, she has established her own venture to continue providing hobby activities within Govan. This demonstrates the project's contribution to both Cardonald and Govan Area Partnership priorities, supporting the development of a local resident's skills and opportunities while creating continued community activity within Govan.

The project has therefore achieved more than delivering weekly creative sessions. It has helped strengthen community networks, encourage collaboration between different groups and create opportunities for ongoing participation beyond the funding period.

By bringing people together through creativity, reducing barriers to social engagement and supporting the development of a sustainable local hobby community, the project has made a meaningful contribution to the Vulnerable People and Thriving Places priorities of the Area Partnerships.

Spend

£749.88	Equipment (Airbrush Machine & Hand Tool Kits)	18th – 25th June 2025
£612.51	Cleaning and Machinery Supplies	10th June 2025
£226.53	PPE Equipment	23rd June 2025
£2,225.08	Craft Materials/Equipment	9th – 14th June 2025
£4,700	Facilitator Fees	June 2025 – March 2025

Total Award Spent: £8,514




