Item 8

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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership
Langside Area Partnership
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2022/23 AREA BUDGET: ANNUAL REPORT

Purpose of Report:

To provide the Area Partnership members with a summary of the evaluation reports submitted by projects funded by the Area Budget in 2022/23.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to note the contents of this report.

1. 2022/23 Area Budget allocation

1.1 The Langside Area Partnership was allocated £61,580.48 during 2022/23.

2. Area Budget Evaluations

2.1 As part of the Area Budget monitoring and evaluation process, 10% of projects funded would be selected to submit an evaluation report on how the funding was used, the impact of the funding and how the funding met the Area Partnership's Investment Priorities.

2.2 The criteria for the selection of projects was as follows:

- All organisations that had not previously received Area Budget funding
- All organisations that received an award of over £5,000
- A random selection of projects to make the number of projects up to 10% of projects funded

2.3 The appendix to this report provides details on how many awards were made, including the number made under delegated functions along with a summary of the projects that submitted an evaluation form.

3. Recommendation

3.1 The Area Partnership is asked to note the contents of this report.

Appendix 1

Langside Area Partnership Budget 2022/23

Budget: £61580.48	**Allocated: £61,580.48**	**Unallocated: £**

Total Number of Awards: 20	**Awards under delegated authority: 1**	**Awards to GCC/ALEOs: 5**

Client/Project	**Evaluation Submitted by Deadline Y/N**	**Summary Findings** (please include how the project contributed to the investment priorities and the impact on the community and the wider area). Please also include any information relevant to breach of conditions of grant e.g. non/late submission of documentation or amendments.
Glasgow Life Linn Park Soft Play Area This was a multiple application and was funding was granted by seven area partnerships totalling £ 15,853 Langside approved £1321	**y**	Summary of project The complete refurbishment of the softplay area. This includes new flooring and wall panels and removal of broken equipment and panels. Additional removable soft play pieces where also purchased. These were: steps, stepping stones and mirrored den. All of the softplay items purchased are easily removed and cleaned. The softplay is open to schools and families and can exceed 50 visitors each day Tuesday-Sunday. Impact of Project Linn Park Adventure Playground is a purpose build centre for ASN children and their families. The funding granted has allowed a must needed refurbishment to the soft play. This is a free service and is open to up to 4 schools per week day and families to book in on weekends. Access to the softplay is standard to every booking that is received and children are welcome to come and go as they please.

		Investment priorities Linn Park satisfies 'services for young people (including educational attainment and nursery/childcare provision', by offering outdoor learning and the opportunity to experience free play in a non threatening environment. 'Vulnerable people' the client group who attend Linn Park are considered vulnerable and offering a secure outdoor learning experience will enhance their well being 'Health' The outdoor play experience and having the freedom to take part in activities will enhance the health and well being of the individual. Spend The funding was fully spent and the was project delivered on time.
Wing Tsjun New Club Start Up Awarded £6158	Y	Summary of project The group delivered 2 self defence classes per week at Newlands South Church . The activities were new in the sense that they were family friendly , so mum, dad, grandfather, grandmother, children , teenagers , were able to participate together . The focus of the classes were on wellbeing , improved health both physically and mentally , inspiration to make changes , and practical self defence skills. Classes were moved briefly when the church hall was flooded to across the road at City Wall House , so there was no actual disruption . 188 people participated over the 20 weeks period of the funding , with families varying between 8 members and 2 members . WT purchased basic equipment that ensured safe delivery across 2 categories : children's soft pads and kick shields and 4 huge kick stands that suit the adult size. Impact of Project The families participating reported that they feel more included in the local community ,

		they feel more supported . Also, the level of each member's fitness and health is improved , as they engage in more physical activity as a family . Their wellbeing in general is improved because being active , having fun together as a family , forming new friendships and connections in the community enhances both the physical and the mental health. The families are more motivated to get involved and to make changes towards having better health and happiness. In the area, the word spread around about the new activities provided by our organisation and there's an increased interest in self defence for families, rather than separate classes for children only and adults only . People feel more supported, they pull together and feel like they belong and that they are learning useful skills. <u>Investment priorities</u> " Vulnerable people and families " and " Safer Communities" . The Group delivered meaningful activities to the families in the community , eliminated all the financial barriers, welcomed everyone regardless of social, religious or cultural background . Many families that are struggling financially or have members that are vulnerable and needing special care , they are isolated and unless the service is provided in the local community and free of charge, they can't access it. They targeted those that are likely to be isolated . WT's specialty is self defence, empowerment , through the practice of martial arts , Tai Chi, meditation and the families attending gained skills that make them feel safer in the community . <u>Spend</u> The funding was fully spent and the was project delivered on time.

Active Schools -Kings Park Cluster Awarded £1600 by Langside (Linn Area Partnership also awarded £1600)	y	Summary of project The funding was used to provide coaching hours to local schools to increase participation. The activities took place during extra-curricular times such as lunchtime and afterschool, allowing children to get physically active outwith school hours. Activities such as football, basketball, rugby, volleyball, badminton, dance , tennis, dodgeball and fun games for younger age pupils were delivered. Each club runs with between 15-25 pupils. This varies depending on sport, school and age group targeted. Active Schools monitor the children's participation rates by taking registers at the club and comparing that to our ASMO (Active Schools Monitoring Online) database. Through this database they are able to see how many children are active in school, how many times they are active and what sports they are taking part in. They can also use this data to target pupils who are not taking part in sport by being able to break down any barriers into participation. A usual barrier of participation is cost of taking part, so with the Area Partnership funding AS is able to provide these opportunities which are always free to the pupils. The following activities took place during extra-curriculum time which is either lunch (12.15-1pm) or afterschool 3-4pm. **Kings Park Primary** Dodgeball x2 P4/5 Fun Games P3 Netball P6/7 Multisports x2 P2/3 Basketball P5-7 **Mount Florida Primary** Football P1/2 , P3/4 & P5-7 Cricket P4-7 Basketball P6/7 Multisports P1-3 Volleyball P6/7 Dance P4-7

		Croftfoot Primary Basketball P4-7 Football P1/2, P3/4 & P5-7 Cricket P5-7 Fun Games P1/2 Multisports P3/4 Volleyball P6/7 Dance P1-3 & P4-7 **Kings Park Secondary** Cricket S1-6 Fitness S1-6 Table Tennis S1-6 Impact of Project Active Schools co ordinators were able to use registers from these extra-curricular clubs to input data into their databases to see the increased level of participation in the school as more opportunities were made available due to this grant. Investment priorities Services for Young People/Vulnerable People/Health The project contributed to the achievement of all three priorities by creating new opportunities for young people, to take park in sport and improve their health. Spend The funding was fully spent and the was project delivered on time.

Toryglen Youth Project-Feel Good Fridays Awarded £6158	y	Summary of project The Toryglen Community Youth Project implemented the "Feel Good Fridays" initiative, a project that aimed to engage and benefit the local community of Toryglen. Detailed description of the work undertaken, services provided, and a breakdown of the items purchased: 1. Activities and Services: • Free Entry For Everyone: The project offered free admission to all community members, ensuring inclusivity and accessibility. • Computer Games: Participants had access to a variety of computer games, creating an engaging and enjoyable environment – PS5 and VR. • Fun Activities: The project organised various entertaining activities to foster social interaction, creativity, and personal development. These activities included group games, quizzes, talent shows, or video games. • Exercise: Recognizing the importance of physical well-being, the project incorporated exercise programs or activities to promote an active lifestyle and encourage fitness among participants. 2. Time and Location: • Time: The "Feel Good Fridays" project took place every Friday from 18:00 to 20:00. This consistent schedule provided a regular opportunity for community members to participate and engage. • Location: The activities and services were held at a Southside Boxing Academy & Community Hub within Toryglen. 3. Participation: • The project aimed to involve as many community members as possible. The number of participants may vary each week, but it is essential to estimate the approximate number of people who attended or took part in the activities. This data will help demonstrate the project's reach and impact within the community. 4. Item Breakdown: • To ensure the successful implementation of the project, certain items might have been purchased. A detailed breakdown of these items can be provided, including their purpose, quantity, and cost. For example: • Computer Games: Specify the number of gaming consoles, controllers, and games purchased. • Arts and Crafts Supplies: Outline the materials acquired, such as paints, brushes, paper, or other relevant items. • Sports Equipment: Mention any sports equipment, such as balls, skipping ropes, or cones, that were purchased for the exercise activities. <u>Impact of Project</u> 1. Mental Benefits: Engaging in activities like computer games and fun activities can have positive effects on mental well-being. Such activities provide a source of entertainment, relaxation, and stress relief. By offering these opportunities, the project likely helped individuals in the community experience joy, boost their mood, and reduce any feelings of anxiety or boredom.

		Investment priorities 2. Physical Benefits: The inclusion of exercise as part of the project has numerous physical benefits. Regular physical activity contributes to overall health and fitness, improves cardiovascular function, and helps maintain a healthy weight. By providing opportunities for exercise, Southside Boxing Academy & Community Hub likely contributed to improving the physical well-being of the participants. 3. Social Benefits: The "Feel Good Friday" project also offered a chance for individuals in the community to come together and engage in social interactions. Community events like this foster a sense of belonging and connectedness among participants. By encouraging social engagement, the project likely helped to strengthen community ties and promote social cohesion within Toryglen. 4. Community Benefits: The project had broader benefits for the area of Toryglen as well. By providing a free and inclusive event, Southside Boxing Academy & Community Hub demonstrated their commitment to community welfare and brought people together. Such initiatives can enhance community pride and create a positive image of the area. Additionally, by promoting mental and physical well-being, the project may contribute to a healthier and happier community overall. Overall, the "Feel Good Friday" project organised by Southside Boxing Academy & Community Hub had a positive impact on its service users. Through computer games, fun activities, and exercise, the project provided mental, physical, and social benefits to the participants. Furthermore, the project's inclusive nature and focus on community welfare likely had positive ripple effects, fostering a sense of belonging and contributing to the wellbeing of the Toryglen area. Spend The funding was fully spent and the was project delivered on time.
Langside Sports Club-Equipment Awarded £6158		The grant was awarded to install two permanent cricket practice nets to provide members, as well as the wider community, an improved facility with the aim of attracting more new individuals to the sport. However due to a delay in obtaining planning permission, the project was delayed and therefore not delivered by the end of March 2023. The grant was extended, planning permission obtained and the Club given until 30 September 2023 to complete the project, however the Club has recently advised that the contractor expects to be on site in November. The Club have been asked by the contractor for a deposit and therefore requested the deadline for completion be extended a further two months, and this has been approved in principle subject to confirmation of a completion date ofn early November.