Item 8

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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership

Hillhead Area Partnership

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AREA BUDGET 2023/24: APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING

Purpose of Report:

To provide the Area Partnership with details of the current position of the 2023/24 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 2023/24; and

(2) consider the recommendations on applications received for Area Budget funding in 2023/24, as detailed in Appendix 1.

Introduction

1. This report provides details on the Area Partnership's budget position for 2023/24; applications considered under Delegated Functions; and makes recommendations on further funding applications.

Background

2. Glasgow City Council agreed its budget for 2023/24 on 16th February 2023 with the overall funding available for Area Partnerships maintained at 2022/23 levels. The City Administration Committee approved allocations to Area Partnerships on 23rd March 2023. The Hillhead Area Budget for 2023/24 is **£61,838.56.**

3. The Area Partnership committed £31,358.69 from the 2023/24 Area Budget at its meeting on 31 January 2023 and £485.00 has been committed under the Scheme of Delegated Functions.

4. Therefore, a total of **£41,693.69 has been committed** to date to various projects serving the area, leaving a balance of **£20,144.87 yet to be allocated**.

Applications dealt with under Delegated Functions

5. No applications have been dealt with since the last meeting of the Area Partnership under Delegated Functions.

Ineligible Applications

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

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.

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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)
Volunteer Tutors Organisation <u>Project Title</u> Learning Hubs 2023 PRN: 315/23	VTO has been supporting young people since 1974. VTO recruit, train, place, resource and support volunteer tutors, to give one-to-one educational support to young people in need. All of the young people VTO support are economically disadvantaged and most have barriers to learning such as trauma experience, ADHD, Autism Spectrum Disorder, dyslexia and anxiety. VTO deliver a bespoke tutoring in several ways: One-to-one Home Tuition in person in a safe location, or alternatively online (if preferred). Learning Hubs with up to 10 Primary School aged pupils in each location being supported one-to-one by trained and supervised senior pupils. Kinship Care Learning Hubs, as before and in partnership with other agencies. The VTO Learning Hub network is a key service in supporting children living in poverty and affected by the poverty related attainment gap. During COVID, the highly impactful Hubs had to be suspended. VTO's aim for academic year 23-24 is to run 8 Learning Hubs in Glasgow's North West (24 City wide) improving academic attainment, increased confidence and self-esteem and engagement and motivation to learn.	Vulnerable People	£1,447.93 <u>Match funding</u> Remaining funding supplied by other APs in NW Glasgow (See column to the right)	£361.98 *(Hillhead)* *Beneficiaries: 47* Total amount of funding requested (NW Glasgow APs) = £1,447.93 Pro-Rata Amounts to be requested from APs, as below: Garscadden / Scotstounhill (Ward 13) = £180.99 Beneficiaries: 22 Maryhill (Ward 15) = £361.98 Beneficiaries: 44	Consider award of £361.98 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 2023 to allow for re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

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	VTO works in partnership with primary schools across the city, the Glasgow Virtual School and the HSCP as well as those who run their community venues. Through consultation with them as well as the young people they work with and their families, VTO know the impact their Learning Hubs have and the current need for updated resources. This funding will allow VTO to purchase updated and refreshed educational resources for each Learning Hub to ensure that the young people have plenty of options for learning. The tutoring offered by VTO through its Learning Hubs and one-to-one Home Tuition, is a key additional level of support offered to young people in Glasgow. VTO has secured funding from the Scottish Power Foundation to run 28 Learning Hubs (24 in Glasgow) in the academic year 23-24. This funding covers staffing costs, training and expenses. VTO is looking to secure funding from Glasgow's Area Partnerships to fund new and improved resources for the Glasgow network. In Hillhead, two hubs will be based at St Charles Primary, which will be staffed with approximately 7 volunteers. ***Costs continued below***			Canal (Ward 16) = £542.97 Beneficiaries: 67	

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	Breakdown of Costs: ***Cost contribution for 2 x Hillhead Hubs:*** - Rapid reader books for older readers = £100.90 - Speakers (2) = £5.33 - Brainbox (4yr +) = £43.33 - Magnetic Letters @ £12 for 104 letters = £5.00 - Junior Scrabble = £13.33 - Dobble = £6.42 - Pack of 100 dice = £0.67 - Junior Monopoly = £5.67 - Orchard Toys Games Time / Times Tables = £15.00 - Maths comprehension box (Smart Kids) = £15.00 - Upwords = £7.30 - Snacks & Juice = £84.00 - End of term parties = £60.00 **Total amount requested from Glasgow North West Sector APs = £1,447.93** **Total amount requested (Hillhead) = £361.98** No. of beneficiaries: 47 (from Hillhead ward) Date of project: Funding spent by March 2024				

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ENABLE Glasgow <u>Project Title</u> Older Carers Club Start Up PRN: 281/23	ENABLE Glasgow is a local charity working with adults with learning disabilities and their carers and families. Enable Glasgow aim to empower individuals with a learning disability to access the correct support to live the life they want and work with people to ensure they have a voice within their local communities and beyond. Their focus is on providing local people with the services they want and need. They provide supported living, social enterprise, self-advocacy, and an array of social activities. They recognize the enormous contribution of carers and seek to enable them to access and build essential support networks. This has been of particular significance for older carers who have been vulnerable to isolation due to the pandemic. This application addresses the Area Partnership priority of Vulnerable People, as older carers have become increasingly vulnerable since the pandemic. This has been compounded by the recent cost of living crisis. The risk of social isolation has become acute for many older carers and often people have health concerns that create barriers to getting out into the community and making connections. This application seeks funding to build capacity for a local club for older carers of adults with learning disabilities. They seek to provide a safe and accessible space for vulnerable people to meet on a regular (monthly) basis. Financial constraints and health concerns have made it	Vulnerable People	£1,756.20 <u>Match funding</u> ENABLE Glasgow = £275.00 *(Confirmed)*	£1,481.20	Consider award of £1,481.20 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 2023 to allow for re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

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	increasingly difficult for older carers to forge and sustain a sense of community and to seek mutual support. As a membership organisation, Enable Glasgow have established a real need for this facility via extensive consultation. Many older carers have supported and cared for children and siblings for decades, even as their own needs increase. It is essential to support carers to access networks of support and to ensure their expertise and voices can be channeled into shaping support for people with learning disabilities and carers in years to come. The club will be based at Burnbank Bowling Club in the Woodlands area. This building is accessible and close to public transport links. They aim to support up to 20 older carers to have lunch, socialise, build and nurture connections; as well as access important advice and information. This support will have wider benefits for carers and the local community in general and in particular to those who continue to be cared for by older carers. This organisation seeks funding for startup costs to enable them to establish this service and allow carers to organise. It is envisaged that future fundraising and the establishment of volunteer networks will allow the club to continue beyond the initial funding period. Startup costs include hall hire, lunches and travel expenses for carers and volunteers. Some of the carers will be able to use public transport but				

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	others require extra support to travel. Enable Glasgow also seek to provide an annual trip for carers who are part of this club. This will enable people to attend a social event together and to connect out with any formal setting. Enable Glasgow firmly believe this is very important for people in terms of their mental well-being. <u>Breakdown of costings:</u> - Hall Hire = £280.00 - Lunch costs (ENABLE Glasgow) = £560.00 - Travel for carers = £430.50 - Travel for two volunteers = £86.10 - Annual Trip / Social Event = £400.00 **Total cost of project = £1,756.20** **Total amount requested = £1,481.20** No. of beneficiaries: 20 carers Date of project: October 2023 to March 2024				

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Woodside Nursery <u>Project Title</u> Meeting the Health and Wellbeing Needs of Children and Families PRN: 283/23	Following the COVID lockdowns and their impact on the wellbeing of children and families, Woodside Nursery are looking to further improve their outdoor space and also provide improved space within the nursery to support emotional wellbeing. The majority of their families have no access to outdoor spaces which was particularly challenging over the last two years. Woodside Nursery is looking to invest in more outdoor equipment, training for staff and parents and resources for home learning packs. They are also hoping to improve their indoor sensory area with a range of equipment which will appeal to the senses and help children manage their emotions and challenging behaviours. <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u> - Children and parent gardening session – Equipment required (Supplier: Various) = £1,000.00 - Sensory room resources (YPO) = £2,000.00 - Home learning activity resources (Various) = £1,000.00 - Staff and family training – Outdoor/Forest Schools (GHA/Training Provider) = £1,000.00 - Groundwork e.g. upgrade of mud kitchen, foundation for community donated play house	Woodside as a Thriving Place	£6,000.00 <u>Match funding</u> None	£6,000.00	Consider award of £6,000.00 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 2023 to allow for re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

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	(Land Services) = £1,000.00 **Total cost of project = £6,000.00** No. of beneficiaries: 86+ Date of project: By March 2024				
ASRA <u>Project Title</u> Empowering Vulnerable Communities PRN: 297/23	The application seeks support to deliver a project comprising of weekly support activities designed for older and disabled people who are socially disadvantaged and experience poverty and inequality. The project is aimed to be delivered over 20 weeks (November 2023 to March 2024) and will entail weekly yoga/keep fit classes and weekly singing/music reminiscence classes. The support is sought to fund sessional staff, volunteers' out of pocket expenses, activities tutors' fees, and some contribution towards transport costs. On average, 40 people who are disabled and/or have limited mobility and experience multiple physical and mental health issues will access. The project performance will be reviewed and monitored through periodic evaluation pre and post-project delivery questionnaires, regular meetings and maximum user engagement. The data collected will assist in drawing actionable conclusions to achieve sustainable user benefits, and the organisation can apply this learning experience to future projects.	Vulnerable People Community Safety and Security	£7,366.00 <u>Match funding</u> ASRA (in kind) = £1,350.00 *(Confirmed)*	£4,211.20 *(Hillhead) (Ward 11)* *Beneficiaries: 90* Total amount of funding requested (APs) = £6,016.00 Pro-Rata Amounts to be requested from APs, as below: Maryhill (Ward 15) = £1,804.80 Beneficiaries: 37	Consider award of £4,211.20 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 2023 to allow for re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

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	After operating and delivering service to vulnerable communities' in North West Glasgow from Napiershall Street for over two decades, ASRA relocated to the Community Central Hall (CCH) in January 2021 as the Napiershall Street Centre decided to close down and the building then put on the market for sale. While the new venue has brought many positives, the new venue is not as accessible as the previous building, due to its location on the first floor, with steps in the corridor that must be used to move from one room to another, as well as when accessing toilets. Furthermore, the entrance to the building is situated on a busy junction of Napiershall Street and Maryhill Road, and it involves crossing the intersection that has been identified by older and more vulnerable members as particularly challenging and a potential safety hazard. The organisation has been keen to identify a more suitable and safe venue for the target group within the community they serve. ASRA have been one of the CCH stakeholders during the process of CCH securing the administration of the Woodside Halls. The CCH have now been awarded the administration and the licence for the building. ASRA are very eager to secure the tenancy and move their service into Woodside Halls, as this location is more accessible for older adults and those members struggling to access the current location. At				

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	Woodside Halls, ASRA can deliver all their activities from the ground floor of the venue. In particular, over 40 members who struggle with mobility, including three wheelchair users, have been unable to access the current space at CCH, and are keen to access the service again if it moves into Woodside Halls. ASRA have discussed with CCH about the rent for the new premises. There was a shortfall of £6,000 as the rental provision in their funding is less than what is expected to pay to rent the new premises. ASRA are currently negotiating with CCH to agree on a long-term strategy to protect the service provision that is in the primary interest of vulnerable communities and overcome this shortfall in the future. There is a strong possibility that the part of the hall ASRA wish to hire would not be available if left unoccupied any longer, which left ASRA with no other option but to allocate funds from other small projects to reimburse the rent shortfall for the first year. This allows for ASRA to relocate their service without delay, which is in the best interest of, and widely supported by, ASRA service users. Relocating funds from the project to meet the shortfall has resulted in ASRA submitting this application to seek support from the Area Partnership to fund the project “Empowering Vulnerable Communities” from November 2023 to March 2024.				

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	Breakdown of Costs: - Sessional support @ £12 x 3 hours x 2 days x 20 weeks (plus employer NI and pension) = £1,608 x 2 workers = £3,216.00 - Volunteers @ £10 x 20 hours x 2 days x 2 workers = £800.00 - Yoga / keep fit coach @ £30 x 20 = £600.00 - Singing/reminiscence facilitator @ £30 x 20 = £600.00 - Transport costs @ £30 per week x 20 weeks (CCH Community Transport) = £600.00 - Venue hire pro-rata including heating, lighting and cleaning = £1,350.00 - Management (monitoring, evaluation) (£100), and publicity/marketing (£100) = £200.00 **Total cost of project = £7,366.00** **Total amount requested = £6,016.00** **Total amount requested (Hillhead) = £4,211.20** No. of beneficiaries: 142 Date of project: November 2023 to March 2024				

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Woodlands Community Development Trust (WCDT) <u>Project Title</u> Woodlands Community Garden – Repairs and Renewal PRN: 619/11	WCDT are seeking funding across four areas of activity, linked to improving the accessibility and use of their garden as a centre for growing food and outdoor learning. Over the course of 6 months, the project hopes to: 1) Carry out repairs and replace worn out raised beds. The Community Garden is now 13 years old and a number of beds have come to the end of their life. This work is easier done over the winter when less crops are being grown. 2) Carry out repairs to worn out boardwalks at entrance to garden which prevents a trip hazard, and consult with a disability expert about other accessibility improvements which could be made to the garden so as to inform their longer term development plan for the garden. Since the pandemic (when WCDT expanded their mental health, family, and anti-racism work), there have been an increasing number of people with mobility issues using the garden. WCDT will consult with Glasgow Access Panel, Visibility Scotland (who they share premises with) as well as representatives of the different groups using the garden. This will enable WCDT to take stock of their options for longer term accessibility improvements which could be made in the garden beyond the lifetime of this project.	Cleansing & Environment Community Safety Learning and Employment	£6,965.00 <u>Match funding</u> £1,000.00 Esther Brown Memorial Fund = £500.00 *(Confirmed)* JJ Charitable Trust = £500.00 *(Confirmed)*	£5,695.00	Consider award of £5,695.00 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 2023 to allow for re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

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	3) Enhance and landscape the central area of their garden, in which a memorial bench for Esther Brown is now situated. Their garden and greenspaces Co-Ordinator is a Landscape Architect and she will produce 3 design options. They will then consult with users of the garden (raised bedders, family groups, volunteers from our anti-racists library) about the preferred design and then carry out the works in early 2024. 4) To enable WCDT to run more outdoor activities all year round both at their garden and at their neighbouring events terrace, the organisation wish to purchase a new gazebo, plus replacement covers for 3 gazebos which have become worn out. This project will be undertaken by a sessional garden maintenance worker, who will be employed over the autumn/winter an average of 10 hours per week. As some joinery jobs require two people, the organisation have also included in a budget for a sessional assistant. In kind support will be provided by their current Garden and Greenspaces Co-Ordinator who will link in with both sessional workers and also produce a longer term development plan for the garden taking account of accessibility advice received during the course of the project.				

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	Breakdown of Costs: - Sessional Garden Maintenance Workers, 10 hours per week x 20 weeks x £17.50 per hour (WCDT) = £3,500.00 - Timber for Raised Bed and Decking Repairs plus screws (MJM Timber / Screwfix) = £795.00 - Session Repairs Assistant, 48 hours x £15 per hour (WCDT) = £720.00 - Accessibility Consultancy Advice (Glasgow Access Panel) = £500.00 - Landscaping, central area of garden – plants and other garden and building materials (Dobbies / B&Q) = £500.00 - New Gazebo x 1 + Replacement Canopies x 3 (City B Group / TH Gazebos) = £950.00 **Total cost of project = £6,965.00** **Total amount requested = £5,965.00** No. of beneficiaries: 140+ Date of project: By March 2024				