Item 11

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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership
Linn 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 Linn Area Partnership was allocated £80,436.28 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
- 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

Linn Area Partnership Budget 2022/23

Budget: £80,436.78	**Allocated: £80,410.29**	**Unallocated: £26.49**

Total Number of Awards: 37	**Awards under delegated authority: 9**	**Awards to GCC/ALEOs: 7**

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 Linn approved £3,964	**n**	<u>Summary of project</u> 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 were 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. <u>Impact of Project</u> 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.
Active Schools -Kings Park Cluster Awarded £1600 by Linn (Langside 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 **<u>Mount Florida Primary</u>** Football P1/2 , P3/4 & P5-7 Cricket P4-7 Basketball P6/7 Multisports P1-3 Volleyball P6/7 Dance P4-7 **<u>Croftfoot Primary</u>** 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 **<u>Kings Park Secondary</u>** Cricket S1-6 Fitness S1-6 Table Tennis S1-6 <u>Impact of Project</u> 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. <u>Investment priorities</u> 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. <u>Spend</u> The funding was fully spent and the was project delivered on time.

Netherholm Area Association - Holmbyre Senior Youth Group £5726 awarded	y	Summary of Project Netherholm Area Association partnered Castlemilk Youth Complex to deliver a 6-month pilot project to engage and work with young people (14 – 19 yrs) from the Netherholm area of Castlemilk, as it was identified that there was no direct access to youth service in the area for this age group. The experienced youth workers initiated a 4-month (Sept – Dec 22) street work project that mapped the area, identified where young people gathered, and engaged with them to identify their needs, wants and aspirations in relation to youth services in the area. Once the street work element was complete and the workers negotiated with the young people which night they would like to start using the Netherholm Community Hall, and it was agreed that a Friday night, 7.30pm – 9pm would be the best night. Approx. 15 young people attend the sessions on a weekly basis. At these nights, the youth workers work/discuss on issue and project-based activities/events, and to date they have looked at Equalities, Alcohol & Drug Awareness, Coercive Control, Rights, Sex Education/Awareness, Employability, Education, Housing, to name but a few. They also have time to bond with their peers doing social interaction and recreational activities. The young people also get the opportunity to get light snacks and nutritional guidance. The Pilot project ended at the end of February 2023, however as the work was being effective and well attended, it was agreed to keep the youth provision going until other sources of funding were identified and secured. <u>Impact of project</u> The young people now have a regular input into the running of the youth group and activities, which has enhanced their negotiating, planning, and organisational skills. The young people also have better self-belief, confidence, and motivational skills. They are more aware of their rights and have built better networking opportunities as they know more about the various services and organisations, they can access to seek support and enhance their prospects. A few of the young people are now considering being part of a youth decision making body which involves discussing and deciding on local issues, etc. The young people are now more motivated, have greater confidence, are willing to negotiate, and have better core skills

		Investment Priorities **Vulnerable People & Families** – the Group engaged with local young people and provided opportunities to enhance their personal development and to engage with local youth provision. **Safer Communities** – The young people are now removed from the temptation of being involved in ASB, and have a greater understanding and awareness of services, organisations, and opportunities that can enhance their life and lifestyle. Educational Opportunities – The young people participated in educational/learning opportunities that enhanced their skills, knowledge and understanding on issues that impacted on their life. They now have better confidence and motivation to be key members of their community and community of interest. Spend The funding was fully spent and the was project delivered on time.

Halo Arts Carmunnock and Castlemilk Summer Arts Academy Awarded £4,770	y	Summary of project The Castlemilk & Carmunnock Summer Arts Academy was a holiday youth arts initiative that took place during the Summer school holidays in July 2022 at Castlemilk Halls, Carmunnock. Although the sessions were based in Carmunnock- the project was also aimed at those living in Castlemilk and surrounding areas. With Carmunnock Youth Theatre's success and responding to community demand, they decided that a holiday project would be a good idea and there was plenty of support for the initiative with parents and in the community, with Carmunnock Primary even letting them run some sessions. The project was led by a lead tutor and workshop assistant as well as a range of guest tutors. Sessions were delivered in Drama, musical theatre, storytelling, Street dance, visual art & circus. All tutors were PVG Disclosure Scotland certified. Over the course of the project they worked with 34 unique young people from across Carmunnock and Castlemilk. At the end of the project, parents and guardians were invited along for a sharing of work and an open workshop which was well attended and a great way to end a worthwhile and positive initiative. Impact of Project There is no question that the project made a positive impact on the community with participants developing their confidence, imagination and performance skills and in turn improving their sense of pride & self worth. As well as this, they provided a safe space during the school holidays in an area with little access to arts provision. The sessions were mostly very physical and high energy, an antidote to sitting at home playing gaming consoles and watching TV which many young people can often do during the holidays. They also believe that the impact rippled down in other ways, by providing volunteer opportunities, tutor development and the chance for the community to come together for their sharings. Some of our young people have additional needs and the project also gave parents a welcome respite and an opportunity for their child to engage and thrive.

		Investment priorities 'Learning and employment opportunities'. The Summer Academy was not just a school holiday project- it was about learning and developing skills that normally wouldn't be accessible in schools and other groups. Activities were engaging, fun and aspirational. As well as this they provided volunteer opportunities, with two members of the community coming on board to assist. One of the volunteers has now gone on to become a paid member of their workshop team on another project. <u>Spend</u> The funding was fully spent and the was project delivered on time.