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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership
Newlands Auldburn Area Partnership
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Newlands Auldburn Area Budget 2022/23: An introduction and applications for funding.

Purpose of Report:

To provide the Area Partnership members with:

(1) An introduction to the Area Budget for new members of the Partnership;

(2) Details on the current Newlands Auldburn Area Budget position; and

(3) recommendations on current applications for funding.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to:

1) note the introduction to the Area Budget;
2) note that a review of the area budget funding priorities will take place during 2022/23;
3) note the current budget position for 2022/23; and
4) approve the recommendations on Area Budget applications, as detailed in Appendix 1.

Purpose of report.

1. This report provides new members of the Area Partnership with an introduction to the Area Budget; details the current position with the 2022/23 Area Budget; and makes recommendations on current applications for funding.

Introduction.

2. The Area Budget is part of the Glasgow Communities Fund. Funds are provided by Glasgow City Council (GCC) with decisions on applications made by the Glasgow Community Planning Partnership's 23 Area Partnerships. The 2022/23 Area Budget allocations (see Appendix 1) were agreed by GCC's City Administration Committee, as part of a three-year package of funding, on 12th March 2020.

3. The allocations to Area Partnerships are based on a base allocation for all Area Partnerships, with the remainder based on population and the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation 2020. A breakdown of the allocation per Area Partnership can be found in appendix 5 to the report approved by the City Administration Committee on 12th March 2020.

4. The budgets are intended to be used to provide grants to local community and voluntary organisations to provide services that will help to achieve the Area Partnership's local priorities and Glasgow City Council's/Glasgow Community Planning Partnership's objectives. Area Partnerships can also provide financial support to Council services and partner organisations but only if the proposal demonstrates a fit with local priorities, the involvement of local communities and is additional to their core remit.

Area Budget Scheme.

5. The Area Budget aims to provide an efficient scheme that allows wide access to funding whilst ensuring that funding is a) targeted at local priorities and b) complements and is consistent with the overall objectives of Glasgow City Council/Glasgow Community Planning Partnership. To achieve this, the scheme provides:

   - a simple application process to encourage wider participation;
   - a consistent assessment process;
   - an accountable decision making process; and
   - efficient grant management and monitoring processes.

6. Area Budget application forms, guidance notes, investment priorities and deadlines for submission of applications can be found on the Council's website at: https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=18748.

7. **Investment Priorities**: Area Partnerships have agreed local investment priorities for use of the Area Budget. Area Partnerships should seek to allocate funding to applicants that will assist in the delivery of their locally agreed priorities. However, Area Partnerships will be able to discuss applications that

do not fit with the investment priorities but that make a strong case for consideration. In determining whether a strong case has been made, Area Partnership should consider whether the application:

a. Demonstrates a fit with the wider Council or Glasgow Community Planning Partnership priorities;
b. Demonstrates clearly: a response to an identified need within the local community; that it has involved the local community in its development; and will benefit the local community;
c. Provides a response to new or emerging issues (which had not previously been identified as an investment priority); or
d. Responds to "exceptional circumstances"

8. **Application Process**: The application process has been simplified in recent years through the introduction of a streamlined application form, a central contact point for the recording and processing of all applications.

9. **Assessing Area Budget Applications**: At every Area Partnership meeting, an Area Budget report is presented that provides members with details of

- Any funding returned (e.g. for projects that have not taken place) to the Area Budget;
- Awards made through Delegated Authority, (See Section 47 of the Council's Scheme of Delegated Functions here)
- Any Ineligible applications;
- The Area Budget balance prior to the meeting;
- A summary of Area Budget applications for consideration at the meeting, including officer recommendations.

10. Twice yearly, a monitoring report will be provided to the Area Partnerships detailing the awards made at that point, their status (e.g. whether any additional conditions have been met).

11. Prior to making a recommendation, officers undertake an assessment on all Area Budget applications. To ensure consistency, officers are guided by an Area Budget Operations Manual. In summary, the key features of the assessment are:

- Determining Area Budget Eligibility: The Area Budget Eligibility Criteria covers
  - The applicant's governance arrangements;
  - any outstanding financial and/or monitoring issues relating to a previous award;
  - Applications from a public sector organisation must demonstrate that the activity/service for which funding is requested is additional to its core remit(s);
  - The Application must *"fit with local Priorities"* and if not, make a "strong case for consideration" to be eligible. All Area Partnerships will be invited to review their investment priorities during 2022/23; and
  - Does the application request funding for eligible items/activities.

- Assessment of Application's Merits : If deemed to be eligible, the application will be assessed against the following three questions:

    - Has sufficient information been provided about the proposed activity/service to make a recommendation?
    - What will be the impact of the application if Area Budget funding is granted?
    - Is the application properly costed?

12. **Making a Recommendation**: Following the assessment, an officer will make a recommendation on each application from one of the following four options:

    - **Approve**: This recommendation will be submitted for an eligible application that provided sufficient details on what the requested funding was to be used for, the impact that the funding would have and was costed properly;
    - **Reject**: This recommendation will be submitted for an eligible application that has been assessed as not meriting Area Budget funding. The reason(s) for this recommendation would normally relate to an unsatisfactory assessment around the impact and/or cost of the application.
    - **For Consideration**: This recommendation will be submitted for an eligible application for which **insufficient information** has been provided to make an approve/reject recommendation but it **is time critical** for a decision to be made at the next Area Partnership meeting; and
    - **Continue for Further Information:** This recommendation will be submitted for an eligible application for which **insufficient information** has been provided to make an approve/reject recommendation and it **is not time critical** for a decision to be made at the next AP meeting;

13. If the recommendation is to approve, the officer will then take into account the following factors when determining the decision making process and the amount to recommend.

    - The amount of Area Budget funding requested:

      If the application is requesting Area Budget funding of £500 or less, then the application will be referred to the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities for a decision under the Council's Scheme of Delegated Functions. Before arriving at a decision, the Director will consult the Area Partnership Chair to determine if the Chair (a) is happy for the application to be considered under the Scheme of Delegated Functions or (b) would like more information on the application or (c) would prefer to direct the application to the Area Partnership meeting for a decision rather than use delegated authority;

    - The recommended minimum and maximum awards:

      There is a minimum award of £300 for all Area Partnership awards and a maximum award of 10% of the Area Partnership's annual budget – this applies to any single organisation for one or more projects. The Area

Partnership may choose to exceed the maximum award if it deems there are exceptional circumstances.

There are also maximum awards for specific activities:

- ✓ £350 for bus trips
- ✓ £500 for team strips
- ✓ £1,000 for residential trips
- ✓ £5,000 for community events

- o Whether any conditions, in addition to the Council's standard conditions of grant, should be applied to an award.

2022/23 Area Budget Allocation

14. Glasgow City Council's City Administration Committee, on 12th March 2020, allocated funding for Area Partnerships for the period 2020/21 to 2022/23, subject to available resources. The budget for Newlands Auldburn Area Partnership for 2022/23 is £66,248.48

15. The remainder of this report provides details on: the funding allocated to date; awards made via the Scheme of Delegated Functions; and recommendations on current applications for Area Budget funding.

Area Budget Expenditure to date

16. To date, Newlands Auldburn Area Partnership has committed a total of £3,325 (5% of the budget) to various projects providing a service in the Ward, leaving a balance of £62,923.48 (95%) yet to be allocated.

Applications dealt with under the Scheme of Delegated Functions.

17. Three application(s) have been considered under the Scheme of Delegated Functions since the previous meeting of the Area Partnership. Details are provided below for information:

Project Title	Applicant	Project Description	Decision	Condition/ Comment of Grant	Local Investment Priority
Residential & Bus Hire **PRN:** 123/20	Allsorts	To support the cost of a Barge Trip at Seagull Trust in Kirkintilloch for Young Vulnerable Adults and Parents/ Carers all of whom are	Approved £385	N/A	Services for Youth & Young People Vulnerable People

		socially isolated			
Pollok-shaws Heritage Group **PRN:** 355/21	Website	To support the cost of upgrading the group's website in order to promote Heritage within Pollokshaws	Approved £500	N/A	Vulnerable People
Newlands & Auldhouse Community Council **PRN:** 003/21	Auldhouse Comm-unity Lunch	To support the cost of piloting a community lunch for an estimated 30 local residents	Approved £440	N/A	Vulnerable People Community Developments

Area Budget funding applications.

18. Appendix 1 provides a summary of the applications that require consideration by the Area Partnership. Each application has been assessed using the process outlined earlier in this report. Based on the assessment, a recommendation is offered in respect of each application for funding. The recommendation may include any specific conditions, in addition to the standard GCC conditions of grant. The Area Partnership is asked to consider the applications and the recommendations offered.

Recommendations

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Appendix 1

Client/Project Title	Purpose of Grant	Local Investment Priorities	Total Project Costs (including match funding)	Amount Requested	Recommendation (including specific conditions)
Friends of Newlands Park – Park and Community Development Plan	Funding is requested towards the costs of resources for planned community events within the Newlands Park in partnership with local groups within the area that includes; Scouts, Guides, Local Schools, Churches, Choirs and Arts Organisations A Gala Day is planned for Summer 2022 and buses will be hired to bring a group refugees, and a group of children with additional support needs to the event with performances by local rock choir, storytelling sessions, pond dipping as well as nature conversations led by charity Froglife The Gazebo that will be purchased will be available for local groups and schools to use when required **Purpose of Grant:** - Gazebo, walls, weights, wheeled bag, ground bar (£1,522) - Hire of barriers (£200) - Hire of generator (£75) - Hire of Van (£109) - Hire of disabled toilet (£200)	Community Developments Vulnerable People	£4,466 **Match Funding: Confirmed** - £1,250 (Applicant) - £500 (Mushroom Trust)	£2,716	**Approve £2,716**

	- The Village Storytelling Centre – workshops in local Schools (£610)				
GCC Education Services – Active Schools Co-ordinator – St Paul's & Hill Park High School – Asylum Seeker and Refugee Youth Football Programme	Funding is requested towards the cost of providing free weekly football training sessions for Asylum Seeker and Refugee Pupils who attend Hillpark, St Pauls and Rosshall Secondary Schools with an estimated 10 young people participating from Newlands Auldburn Ward The Active Schools Co-ordinators from the respective Schools in partnership with United Glasgow FC will deliver the project aimed at removing barriers to enable Asylum Seeker and Refugee Pupils to access free weekly football training sessions at Torglen and Nethercraigs Sports s and is The volunteer coaches are from Asylum and Refugee backgrounds and this will help to develop strong positive relationships with the young people within the group and also help with any language barriers **Purpose of Grant:** - Transport (£1,000) - Football Training kit (£650) - Let hire (1,000) - Catering/snacks for training and matches (£350)	Services for youth and young people Vulnerable people	£3,000 **Match funding:** - In kind staffing costs (Applicant)	**£1,000** - (£3,000 total costs across two area partnerships)	**Approve £1,000** - this award is pro-rata with Greater Pollok Area Partnership who will consider a similar award of £2,000

Carnwadric WIN Project – Additional Support Post Covid **PRN: 268/21**	Funding is requested towards the cost of piloting weekly fun activity sessions for those most vulnerable children within the local community, many of whom have experienced poor mental health as a result of the pandemic The sessions will include a range of fun games & craft activities as well as a healthy snack and access to fresh fruit **Purpose of Grant:** - Sessional Staffing costs (£4,320) - Craft materials (£500) - Food (£500) - Venue Hire (£500)	Vulnerable People	£5,820 **Match funding:** - £0	£5,820	**Approve £5,820**
Glasgow's Golden Generation - The David Cargill Centre – Dementia Friendly Toilet Cubicles **PRN: 016/22**	Funding is requested towards the cost of installation of dementia friendly bathrooms, with accessible adaptations such as LED lighting, specialist flooring, heating, alarm cords, grab bars and specially adapted sinks and hand dryers The Older People's Day Centre based within Battlefield has recently saw a significant increase in service users affected with early stages of dementia and it is vital toilets comply with dementia friendly legislation A total of 80 Newlands Auldburn Residents attend the centre	Vulnerable People	**£13,000** **Match Funding:** Confirmed - £3,000 (Trades House) Pending - £4,000 (Percy Bilton)	**Approve £2,580 -** (£6,000 - Total cost across two area partnerships)	**Approve £2,580** – this award is pro rata with Langside Area Partnership who will consider a similar award of £3,420 This award is subject to the following conditions: - Confirmation of match funding - Submission of 3 quotations

	Purpose of Grant: - Supply and fit of 2 bathrooms (£13,000)				for required work