







Glasgow Community Planning Partnership.

Baillieston Area Partnership.

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2024/25 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 Baillieston Area Budget in 2024/25

Background

1. The City Administration Committee on 13th February 2024 allocated £63,838 to the 2024/25 Baillieston Area Budget.

Expenditure

2. £63,838 (100%) of the allocation has been awarded for projects that were delivered by 31st March 2025.

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 2024/25 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 Baillieston Area Budget 2024/25.

Budget: £63,838	Allocated: £63,838	Unallocated: £0

Total Number of Awards: 31	Awards under delegated authority: 9	Awards to GCC/ALEOs: 8

Client/Project	Evaluation Submitted	Summary Findings
	by	
	Deadline	
	Y/N	
Baillieston	Yes	Summary of Project
Community		Funding was kindly granted to enable Baillieston Community Care to purchase a new Citroen
Care –		Enterprise Flexlite 17 seater minibus fully equipped with a lift.
Bealach		
House mini		We formally ordered the new fully-equipped minibus on 14 February 2025 and immediately began
bus		using the new vehicle upon receipt in order to transport vulnerable older people living with dementia to and from our Bealach House Day Care Centre. The new vehicle replaced a much-older vehicle that caused support and access barriers, including the ramp being especially noisy when helping clients in/out, which was not great for people with dementia, and as it required frequent repairs which regularly disrupted service and increased our overall transport costs.
		Although the new vehicle has only been in use for 3.5+ months, it has already made a considerable impact on our service provision. The new minibus transports 16 vulnerable older people with dementia to and from our Bealach House Day Care Centre each day Monday to Friday, the majority of which have additional disabilities and/or support needs including wheelchair users and those with limited

mobility, which make up a sizable portion of our clientele, and the new vehicle's lift has greatly improved our ability to accommodate these particular service users as they're able to much more easily enter/exit the vehicle and don't have to deal with noisy ramp equipment. Whilst the centre supports 16 people per day, approx., 35 total service users are supported each week, with service users attending 2-3 times per week depending on their need. We've also used the new vehicle to take service users on multiple day trips, e.g., museums, library, shops. Having this transport also enables our day care staff to get out of the day centre and have regular contact with carers when they collect and drop-off their relative, thereby enabling them to pass on information on how they've been during the day, any problems/concerns that may have arisen, and/or other support, further supporting our service users and their families.

Overall we're thrilled with the new vehicle purchased with the support of the Area Partnership Committee and its overall positive impact on our service provision and the vulnerable people we support.

Impact of Project

We purchased the new fully-equipped 17-seater vehicle on 14 February 2025 and immediately began using the new vehicle upon receipt in order to transport 16 vulnerable older people living with dementia to and from our Bealach House Day Care Centre every day Monday to Friday, take service users out in day trips within the community, and enable our day care staff to get out of the day centre and have more regular contact with carers when collecting/dropping-off their relatives so that they can pass on key information/additional support.

Our Bealach House is more than a day care facility, it is an essential social hub enjoyed by service users, carers/families, and helps vulnerable people living with dementia to remain in their homes and be part of their community for as long as possible, preventing hospital admissions and the need for long-term care. It enables service users to feel more socially included and positive, reducing feelings of loneliness and isolation. It provides an evolving range of fun, stimulating activities that help service users' minds stay more active day-to-day and fosters self-confidence, cognitive function, life enjoyment, retention of motor skills, coordination, and sensory abilities, and positive emotional connections. It also supports carers by providing essential respite whilst their loved one is enjoying activities at our centre, helping carers to sustain their caring role

		By increasing access to the support services available at our Bealach House and in providing regular day trips, the new vehicle purchased with your support links into the priorities targeted to improving the overall health and wellbeing and services for the elderly and promotes independence and choice by shifting the balance of care from care homes to community-based alternatives that enable vulnerable people with dementia to remain in their homes and be part of the community for as long as possible. Spend The funding was fully spent with match funding of £47,574
Easthall Park Housing Association - Defibrilators	Yes	Summary of Project This project provided defibrillator systems in secure storage units across the Baillieston Area Partnership area of operation. The defibrillator storage units and systems were purchased from Defib World and installed by the Association's electrical contractor, Adept Electrical Services. Impact of Project The 4 defibrillator units are cited across the Baillieston Area Partnership area of operation and will ensure residents have access to a defibrillator if a person is experiencing a cardiac arrest. The 4 units are installed in the following locations: The Glenburn Centre in the Easthall area of Easterhouse The Hub in the Wellhouse area of Easterhouse St Francis of Assisi Church in the Baillieston area The Springcroft restaurant in Edinburgh Road adjacent to the Swinton area

	The defibrillator units have been registered with the Scottish Ambulance Service and they will hold details to access the secure units in the event of an emergency situation. Spend The project was fully spent with the Association contributing £40.48
Easthall Residents Association - Christmas Events	Summary of Project During the Christmas 2024 period we arranged activities for people of all ages within our communities would be able to enjoy and participate within. These activities took place within the Glenburn Centre and The Hub. ASN Christmas parties at the Glenburn Monday (48) Wednesday (56) Friday (62) We arranged 3 Christmas parties for adults with additional support needs This included a sit-down 3 course meal, with party /karaoke and a visit from Santa Children parties x 5 @ Glenburn Centre Saturday P1-P4 (64) we had a selection of sweets juice and crisps, party games and Disco Santa visit with selection boxes @Glenburn Centre Monday Friday P5-P7 (41) Hot dog, crisps, juice chocolate, party games with prizes, visit from Santa with a section box. @Glenburn Centre Wednesday Teenagers (29).

@ The Hub Tuesday P1-P4 (**38**) we had a selection of sweets juice and crisps, party games and Disco Santa visit with selection boxes.

@The Hub Thursday P5-S2 (31) Hot dog with crisps juice chocolate, party games with prizes, visit from Santa with a section box.

Family Xmas movie nights

@ Glenburn Centre Tuesday (4 families 5 adults 12 kids) Thursday (6 families 8 adults 19 kids)

Friday (4 families 4 adults 10 kids.).

@ The Hub Monday 4 families 4 adults 9 children

Fun n Games with Santa's 3 @ Glenburn Centre

We limited the spaces to 20 children per visit, overall total 60 children.

During the Visit the children played games, made Christmas crafts and biscuits.

They are then a had a sit down with Santa with juice a cake and a treat, Santa spoke to all the children, got some photos sang some Xmas songs, and all left with a goodie bag.

Men and Ladies groups@ Glenburn Centre

Both had 3 course Christmas dinner separate nights

Ladies Bingo Group @ The Hub

The ladies requested a Chinese Take Away.

Volunteers@ Glenburn Centre

All our young volunteers were offered a Fort gift voucher however they asked if they could have a day out at Flip Out and a McDonalds so they could all enjoy this together as a group.

Adult volunteers were offered the same however they also requested if they could have a meal together and voted for Bouffie at the Fort.

Community Christmas Fayre @ Glenburn Centre

We had several carnival rides, to suit all ages these were all free.

We served hot food and drinks in our inside café and a BBQ outside with burgers and hotdog.

We had a Santas Grotto, for everyone, we hired stalls with various crafts, we also had stalls that our volunteers, service users and staff team had made crafts, sweets and cakes, raffles. (approx. 2000 attended)

Community Christmas Fayre @ The Hub

The hub grounds don't have a lot of space for larger carnival rides, we had 5 smaller rides that catered for children, these were free.

We served hot food and drinks in the café burgers rolls hotdogs crisps and sweets.

We had a Santas Grotto, for everyone, we hired out stalls with various crafts, we also had stalls that our volunteers, service users and staff team had made crafts, sweets and cakes, raffles. (approx. 600 attended)

Impact of Project

During the month of December, our Christmas project included various events designed for the local community to enjoy a fun and affordable holiday experience with their families. One of the highlights was our Christmas Fayre, which attracted approximately 2,600 local residents in both communities. We offered free funfair rides for all ages and hosted Santa's Grotto, where children could visit Santa at no cost. Santa stayed all day to ensure that no one missed out, giving each child a selection box. This project made a significant impact on many families in our local area, allowing them to enjoy a Christmas event without worrying about costs. The free visit to Santa's Grotto, complimentary rides, and inexpensive food meant that families could relax and enjoy the festivities.

We also hosted meet-and-greet events with Santa, where 60 children participated in fun games. These sessions were free, and our staff collaborated with volunteers to ensure that kids could experience the joy of visiting Santa without financial stress on the parents. During these events, children created Christmas cards, made small tree gifts, and baked cakes for their families. They enjoyed snacks while chatting with Santa, singing Christmas songs, and posing for photos to take home.

Additionally, we organized 3 free family movie nights for 14 families 17 adults and 41 children that fostered connections within the community. While some children were already friends, many parents had not met before, leading to wonderful conversations during the breaks. We offered treats like popcorn, hot chocolate, hot dogs, and sweets, creating a cozy atmosphere for everyone. It was touching to see parents from our ladies' and gents' groups sharing their experiences, which encouraged others to join our growing community.

Throughout the festive month, we also hosted three days of parties for adults with additional support needs 166 over the 3 days. They enjoyed sitting together for a three-course Christmas dinner, followed by a party filled with games, prizes, dancing, and singing. Of course, Santa made an appearance in his Grotto, and each guest received a selection box.

We had children Xmas parties that 203 children enjoyed, Christmas events for adult men and ladies groups for also all our adult volunteers totalling 78 and 12 young volunteers.

The impact of our festive activities on all our service users and children is significant, providing them with a memorable Christmas experience to share with friends and family. The local community

		benefited from these festive activities, allowing them to attend without the pressure of financial strain during a time of year that can be difficult for many. This initiative brought together staff, volunteers, and members of the ladies' and gents' groups, along with others from the local community, to make it all possible. Their support was crucial in organizing the Fayre, Christmas meals, and family nights, emphasizing the importance of making Christmas a magical time for everyone. Spend The project was fully spent with match funding of £9,559.70
St Francis of Assisi Primary School – Cycling Project	No	The school failed to return a completed evaluation despite a number of reminders and have therefore breached the conditions of grant.
The Indigo Childcare Group - Musical equipment & storage	Yes	Summary of Project The Rhythm and Rhyme project was designed to enhance early childhood development at Indigo Nursery through music. The project focused on purchasing a variety of musical instruments, providing staff training with music facilitators, and integrating music into daily routines and family Stay & Play sessions. It aimed to improve children's speech, language, emotional well-being, and parent-child interaction. By making musical play a regular and well-resourced part of the curriculum, the project supported holistic development and laid strong foundations for learning before school age. Impact of Project The Rhythm and Rhyme project had a positive impact on Garrowhill Nursery and the families it serves by:

- Enhancing children's development in speech, language, motor skills, and emotional wellbeing through regular musical play.
- Providing staff with new skills and confidence to deliver engaging, music-based learning sessions.
- **Increasing family involvement** by hosting musical Stay & Play sessions that encouraged meaningful parent-child interactions.
- Creating a richer learning environment with new musical instruments and proper storage, enabling consistent use of resources.
- Strengthening the nursery's ability to support children's readiness for school by fostering key skills such as listening, memory, and social interaction.

Overall, the project improved the quality of early education and family engagement at Garrowhill, benefiting children's growth both inside and outside the nursery.

Spend

The project was fully spent.