

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 1st June 2023.

City Administration Committee.

- Present: Susan Aitken (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Richard Bell, Philip Braat, Christina Cannon, Anthony Carroll (substitute for Jon Molyneux), Allan Casey, Chris Cunningham, Greg Hepburn, Ruairi Kelly, Matt Kerr, Thomas Kerr, Frank McAveety, Elaine McDougall, Kenny McLean, Anne McTaggart (substitute for Annette Christie), Angus Millar, Cecilia O'Lone, Jill Pidgeon, George Redmond, Lana Reid-McConnell (substitute for Dan Hutchison), Soryia Siddique and Martha Wardrop.
- Apologies: Annette Christie, Dan Hutchison and Jon Molyneux.
- Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); A O'Donnell, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; I Robertson, Director of City Development; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; C Edgar, Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships; M McGinty, Head of Corporate Policy and Governance; and M Millar, Head of Legal and Democratic Services.

Glasgow Children's Holiday Food and Activity Programme for Summer 2023 – Funding awards approved – Declaration of interest.

1 Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding applications for funding from the Glasgow Children's Holiday Food and Activity Programme (GCHFAP) for Summer 2023, advising

- (1) that the GCHFAP made a hot meal and snack available to Glasgow nursery, primary and secondary pupils during school holiday periods and the programme was intended to complement existing activities by third sector organisations and for the majority of Council funds to go towards the provision of food;
- (2) that this committee on
 - (a) 9th June 2022 (Print 1, page 220) had approved the GCHFAP for Summer 2022 which had been funded by the Scottish Government as part of a national summer holiday programme of funding, to the value of £1,665,024 in Glasgow; and
 - (b) 29th September 2022 (Print 3, page 353) had noted that the Chief Executive under delegated authority had approved a budget allocation of

£742,524 and the award of funding from the GCHFAP for October 2022 and Spring 2023;

- (3) that it was intended that the GCHFAP for 2023/24 would be reviewed in line with the anticipated guidance from the Scottish Government on the school age childcare investment framework for 2023/24 which had been scheduled for publication by the end of December 2022, then subsequently delayed until Spring 2023 and a working group which the Council had established to lead on the review of the holiday programme had indicated that due to the guidance being delayed, a review would not be possible for effect in Summer 2023 within the timeframe available;
- (4) that on 23rd March 2023 all applicants to the 2022/23 GCHFAP had been advised of the delay in the publication of the Government's guidance and arrangements to support an application process going live, ideally before the 2-week spring break which commenced on 3th April 2023 were made in anticipation of the publication of the guidance being imminent;
- (5) that by mid-April 2023 it was conceded that due to the continued delay in the guidance from the Scottish Government, that the Council was unable to support an open application process within the timeframe available for a Summer 2023 programme and on 28th April 2023, the 55 existing providers of the GCHFAP were invited to apply for funding up to the same level as awarded in 2022, to deliver a Summer 2023 programme;
- (6) that of the 55 providers invited to apply for funding, 52 applications totalling £1,664,226 had been considered against a pre-determined criteria, as detailed in the report and the remaining 3 providers had declined to submit applications on account of operational/organisation circumstances;
- (7) that it was proposed that 52 projects, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, be awarded funding to deliver a Summer 2022 programme to the value of £1,664,226, with all of the organisations awarded funding being monitored through the Council grant fund monitoring arrangements;
- (8) of the number of projects delivered to service users from each ward and the associated anticipated number of service users, as detailed in Appendix 2, to the report;
- (9) that the Council would continue to press the Scottish Government for the publication of the 2023/24 guidance on investment in school age childcare and holiday provision and once available, it would be reviewed in conjunction with the working group which had been established by the Council to review the holiday programme; and
- (10) that it was proposed that the call-in procedure under Council Standing Order 30(7)(a) be suspended to allow organisations to finalise and publicise their Summer programmes and to provide adequate time to process the grant awards.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) approved the budget allocation and the award of funding from the Glasgow Children's Holiday Food and Activity Programme for Summer 2023, as detailed in the report; and
- (c) agreed, in terms of Standing Order No 30(7)(a) that this decision would not be subject to the call-in process to allow organisations to finalise and publicise their Summer programmes and to provide adequate time to process the grant awards.

In terms of Standing Order No 27, Councillors Casey, O'Lone and Wardrop declared an interest in this item and left the meeting during its consideration.