

Glasgow's Children's Holiday Food Programme 2021/22 – Update and progress noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 21st January 2021 (Print 4, page 223) when the committee noted an update regarding the arrangements for the Glasgow Children's Holiday Food Programme (CHFP) that had operated during summer 2020, there was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding progress on the 2021/22 programme, advising

- (1) that the Council had provided funding since 2018/19 for a holiday food programme in the city's 23 electoral wards and that the focus of the programme was for the Council to work with third sector organisations who were already delivering holiday projects to support the Council's aim to tackle holiday hunger;
- (2) that the 2021/22 programme was launched in September 2020 with an online application process, which had been widely publicised by stakeholders, with projects having been approved by the City Administration Committee on 11th February 2021 (Print 5, page 268) and 25th February 2021 (Print 5, page 271);
- (3) of an update and monitoring information on the outcomes of the 2021 Glasgow CHFP, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report;
- (4) that alongside the CHFP and in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Scottish Government had provided a total of £20m funding nationally for a Summer Offer for Children and Young People, including £5m for various national partners all of whom provided support under the umbrella of the national Get into Summer initiative;
- (5) that £2.249m of the national funding had been awarded to Glasgow, which was used to further augment partner activity in the existing CHFP provision, provide a delegated allocation to schools and their local provider partners and establish a range of city wide activities and transport for those most in need of support as part of the recovery programme, with a ward analysis of the allocations detailed at Appendix 2 of the report together with a total for city wide and third sector wards; and
- (6) that future funding would be subject to the Council's budget process and that it remained important for the Council, through the provision of food, to enhance the delivery of services that were already taking place across communities and that the programme was intended to complement existing activities and for the majority of Council funds to go towards the provision of food.