

Report To:	Environment and Regeneration Committee	Date:	26 October 2017		
Report By:	Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources	Report No:	ENV/030/17/SA		
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Subject:	Naming of Garden on Shore Street, Gourock				

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to approve the name 'The George Wyllie Garden' following the upgrading of the 'secret' garden on Shore Street, Gourock. Approved is also sought for authority to be delegated to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to release funds as appropriate from the allocation of 'Town and Village Centre Regeneration' as approved in March 2017 by this Committee.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Gourock Regeneration Forum has plans to upgrade what is currently known as the 'secret garden' on Shore Street, Gourock. It is intended to use a George Wyllie theme as inspiration for the garden. George Wylie is internationally renowned as an artist and lived in Gourock for most of his life. The importance of his work and association with Gourock and Greenock is reflected in the aspiration of the George Wyllie Trust to create a permanent exhibition space in the proposed new Cruise Ship Terminal on Greenock Waterfront as reported at the last Committee.
- 2.2 Gourock Regeneration Forum would like to call the upgraded garden 'The George Wyllie Garden'. This name carries no significance in terms of postal addresses and as such does not require approvals in respect of street naming. It would however create an identity for the garden and establish a name for the location, thereby creating a legacy for future generations.
- 2.3 Some costs are likely to be required with respect to signage and funds are available through the allocation for 'Town and Village Centre Regeneration' as approved in March 2017.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Committee is asked to approve:
 - (i) The naming of the 'secret garden' on Shore Street, Gourock as 'The George Wyllie Garden'.

(ii) The delegation of authority to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to release funds from the 'Town and Village Centre Regeneration' budget to meet any costs associated with signage.

4.0 IMPLICATIONS

Finance

4.1

Financial Implications:

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed Spend this Report £000	Virement From	Other Comments
Town & Village Centre Regeneration	Gourock Regeneration	2017/18	up to £1,000	n/a	Potential signage costs expected to be minimal and will be contained within existing EMR

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

Cost Centre	•	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact £000	Virement From (If Applicable)	Other Comments
N/A					

Legal

4.2 N/A

Human Resources

Yes

4.3 N/A

Equalities

4.4 Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out?



See attached appendix



This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy. Therefore, no Equality Impact Assessment is required.

Repopulation

4.5 N/A

5.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

5.1 N/A