
Report To:	Education and Communities Committee	Date:	23 January 2018
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Subject:	Summer Playscheme Provision		

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To inform the Education and Communities Committee of the current playscheme service that will provide options for future delivery of summer activity service provision from 2018 onwards.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Council agreed that £56,000 of Earmarked Reserves (EMR) would be allocated to provide Playschemes in Inverclyde during the school holiday period in 2017. This is in addition to the £30,000 Grants to Voluntary Organisations funding that had already been approved and allocated for Community Playscheme provision.
- 2.2 The £56,000 (EMR) was split between £39,000 to provide summer playschemes and includes the subsidised cost of the playschemes by £1.50 keeping the cost to the families at £2.50 provided by Inverclyde Leisure. The £17,000 remaining would provide the Play4All service for children with additional support needs at Craigmarnock School, Port Glasgow during the summer.
- 2.3 Six local community organisations received funding of £5,000 each to provide summer playschemes and activities. Auchmountain, Branchton, Craighend, Youth Connections were paid directly from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations (GTVO). Boglestone Community Centre and Inverkip Community Enterprise commissioned Inverclyde Leisure to provide these playschemes at a cost of £5,000 each.
- 2.4 The report gives options which would allow clear and consistent services to be offered to the communities across Inverclyde that provide quality, accessibility and affordability to families for the Summer 2018 onwards.
- 2.5 Inverclyde Leisure has advised that they have underutilised the £39,000 by approximately £22,000 meaning that in future years the grant to IL could be reduced.
- 2.6 Three options are proposed for consideration were Committee minded to continue with summer Playschemes in 2018 onwards, namely:
- Continue with the current provision and charging policy. This would require up to £40,000 to be allocated to the Education & Communities Revenue Budget from 2018/19 to supplement the £30,000 GTVO contribution. To provide the 6 Inverclyde Leisure playschemes, the 4 community playschemes and Play4All.
 - Continue with the current provision but in recognition of other services now provided as part of the Attainment Challenge increase the Inverclyde Leisure charge per session to £4.00 thus reducing the increase in the recurring budget required to £25,000. Supplement this budget with the £30,000 GTVO to provide the 6 Inverclyde Leisure playschemes,

Play4All and the 4 community playschemes.

- Continue with Play4all only plus potentially the 4 community run play schemes. This would cost a maximum of £17,000 on existing budgets plus £20,000 from GTVO.

2.7 The CMT having considered the options and recognising Members' previous view on providing a summer activities service would recommend option 2 were members minded to continue with this service. The CMT would also recommend that funding should be built into the revenue budget rather than funded from reserves.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The Committee is asked to consider the options set out in the report and after noting the recommendations of the CMT, agree which option it wishes to recommend for consideration as part of the 2018/20 budget process.

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4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 As part of the 2017/18 budget it was requested that, a full service review be undertaken of the activities offered to children, young people and families during the school holiday period 2016 - 2017 and that officers provide a clear and concise integrated plan for summer 2018 period onwards.
- 4.2 The service provision for children and young people during the summer holiday 2017 period is predominately provided by Inverclyde Leisure. Inverclyde Council commissioned Inverclyde Leisure to provide 4 summer playschemes over the first 4 weeks of summer with £39,000 of Earmarked Reserves (EMR). However, Inverclyde Leisure has advised that they have underutilised the £39,000 by approximately £22,000. This would allow an allocation of £23,000 to be provided to build in flexibility for increasing staffing costs and potential reduction of income.

The Inverclyde Council (EMR) funded playschemes are:

- Kilmacolm Primary School
- St Ninian's Primary School
- Notre Dame High School
- Wemyss Bay Primary School

In addition, Inverclyde Leisure receives £10,000 from Grants to Voluntary Organisation to provide 2 summer playschemes in;

- Bogelstone Community Centre
- Inverkip Primary School

- 4.3 Included within the £17,000, Inverclyde Council is providing funding to subsidise the entry cost of £4.00 to Inverclyde Leisure playschemes (including Boglestone and Inverkip) by £1.50 to £2.50 per child, per session.
- 4.4 Inverclyde Leisure also provided a full day playscheme aimed at working parents at the Greenock Sports Centre. This service cost parents £18.00 per day, opens from 9.00 am - 6.00 pm and children bring their own lunches with them. Inverclyde Leisure funded staff and resources from their own budgets, all income generated from this service remained with Inverclyde Leisure.
- 4.5 Education Services, received £17,000 to provide the Play4All summer programme for 54 children with additional support needs in Craigmarnock School. This historically was provided by Inverclyde Leisure. Building on the current service provided, Play4All has also introduced a service where parents with children who have extensive additional support needs and their siblings can stay and play. This is facilitated by staff at Play4All 3 days per week. The funding also covers the cost of transport for the children that access it.

Play4All also provide a core service for out of school care and holiday care; this is for parents who are in employment, education or training for employment at a cost of £18.00 per session. This provision allows children with additional support needs to access a quality service that meets their needs during the holiday period.

- 4.6 The community provision varies from venue to venue, depending on the needs of the community. An overview of the costs to provide each community playscheme based on 2017 attendance and frequency is below.
- Auchmountain Resource Centre, 3 afternoons per week for 4 weeks for 8-16 year olds, entry fee per admission is 50p. Community Learning and Development (CLD) youth team provide the staff for the 40 young people that attend each session. The cost to provide this service equates to £10.91 per admission.
 - Branchton Resource Centre, 3 afternoons per week for 3 weeks entry cost of 50p per day and children are offered a trip each Wednesday. Children age between 5-11 years

old and 12-18 years old that attend the term time youth club are offered the service on a first come basis as the facility can only accommodate a maximum number of 70 children per day. The cost to provide this service equates to £8.44 per admission.

- Craighend Resource Centre, 2 sessions per day, 5 day provision for 3 weeks. The entry cost is 50p per session and it is aimed at 8-12 year olds. This provision is held at Kings Oak Primary School and the cost of the let is met by Inverclyde Council. Approximately 65 children attend this playscheme per day. The cost to provide this service equates to £6.12 per admission.
- Youth Connections provide two all day playschemes, one in Burns Square and one in Leven Road for 8-16 year olds. The service is provided 5 days per week for 3 weeks and cost to the young people is £5.00 at registration. This playscheme employs 6 future job placements and volunteers. The cost to provide this service equates to £4.72 per admission.
- Inverclyde Leisure provides a total of 6 playschemes across Inverclyde for 5-12 year old children. The service is provided for 19 days of the first four weeks of the school holidays and the entry cost is £2.50 per child per session. There were 6,208 attendances over the 19 days. The cost to provide this service equates to £5.38 per admission
- Community Learning and Development also provide a playscheme for young people older than 12 years in the I Youth Zones of Greenock and Port Glasgow.

4.7 Inverclyde Attainment Challenge provides a Holiday Lunch Club service to families living in communities that have a high number of children living in poverty and deprivation. This service provided lunch, play and learning opportunities for families throughout the first 4 weeks of the summer holiday period. This resulted in 1,632 lunches to 176 families (347 children) being provided. However, this provision from the Attainment Challenge is a year on year funding source and is due to end in two years/financial year end 2019/2020.

In addition to the Family Holiday Lunch Clubs, Inverclyde Attainment Challenge provided funding for 4,415 lunches to the children and young people who attended the playschemes at Auchmountain Resource Centre, Branchton Community Centre, Craighend Resource Centre, I Youth Zones and Youth Connections. Again this funding is due to end in two years.

5.0 Review of Findings

5.1 It was recommended that a full service review be undertaken to reduce duplication, inconsistencies and to rationalise the summer service provision. A short life working group was established to meet and discuss the range of services that are on offer to children, families and young people across the communities and every activity that was being provided during the summer holidays 2017.

Appendix 1 maps the location of where activities are provided across Inverclyde. This comprehensive overview includes public services, private, community and third sector organisations who offer services during the summer holiday period.

5.2 The short life working group identified that there is a wide range of services and opportunities for children, young people and their families in local communities across Inverclyde.

5.3 The variation in cost for children and families to access the holiday service provision ranges from free to families for the family lunch clubs or 50p to access the community playschemes to the subsidised cost of £2.50 per child per session for Inverclyde Leisure. This cost can increase depending on the service provider to £49.00 per week for Greenock Morton Community Trust. Other private providers, such as Dazzles Dance, charge £12 per day for activities and child care provision from Wellington Out of School Care is £24.00 per day or £120.00 per week.

5.4 Not only is there variation in cost to families under the summer playscheme service, there is a difference in the number of trips and activities the service delivers for the entry fee. Section 4.6 of this report details each of the community playscheme provision, the frequency and what

children and young people receive for their entry fee. Each community playscheme receives £5,000 from GTVO, to pay for staff costs, trips and subsidise the entry fee for children and young people. It is difficult to compare the community playschemes with each other because the size, the staffing, the frequency and the range of activities differ to meet the need of the local community.

- 5.5 The CMT having considered the options and recognising Members' previous views of providing a summer activities service would recommend that if members want to continue funding summer playscheme provision that option 2 of the three options proposed for consideration is progressed as part of the 2018/20 budget process;

Option 1- Continue with the current provision and charging policy. This would require up to £40,000 to be allocated to the Education & Communities Revenue Budget from 2018/19 to supplement the £30,000 GTVO contribution.

Option 2 – Continue with the current provision but in recognition of other services now provided as part of the Attainment Challenge increase the Inverclyde Leisure charge per session to £4.00 thus reducing the increase in the recurring budget required to £25,000 plus the £30,000 GTVO funding. This will provide funding for 6 playschemes, 4 community playschemes and the Play4All provision.

Option 3 – Continue with Play4All only plus potentially the 4 community run playschemes, this would cost up to £17,000 plus £20,000 from GTVO.

Depending on the outcome of the Communities Facilities Savings Proposals consideration should be given to each individual voluntary association applying for GTVO playscheme funding and if they are successful, Terms of Reference should be agreed.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

Finance

6.1

Financial Implications:

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed Spend this Report £000	Virement From	Other Comments
N/A					

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact £000	Virement From (If Applicable)	Other Comments
00501 Playschemes	Option 1	2018/19	£40,000		Subject to approval as part of the 2018/20 Budget
	Option 2	2018/19	£25,000		
	Option 3	2018/19	£17,000		

Legal

- 6.2 There are no legal implications as a result of this report

Human Resources

6.3 There are no HR implications as a result of this report

Equalities

6.4 Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out?

Yes See attached appendix

No

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.

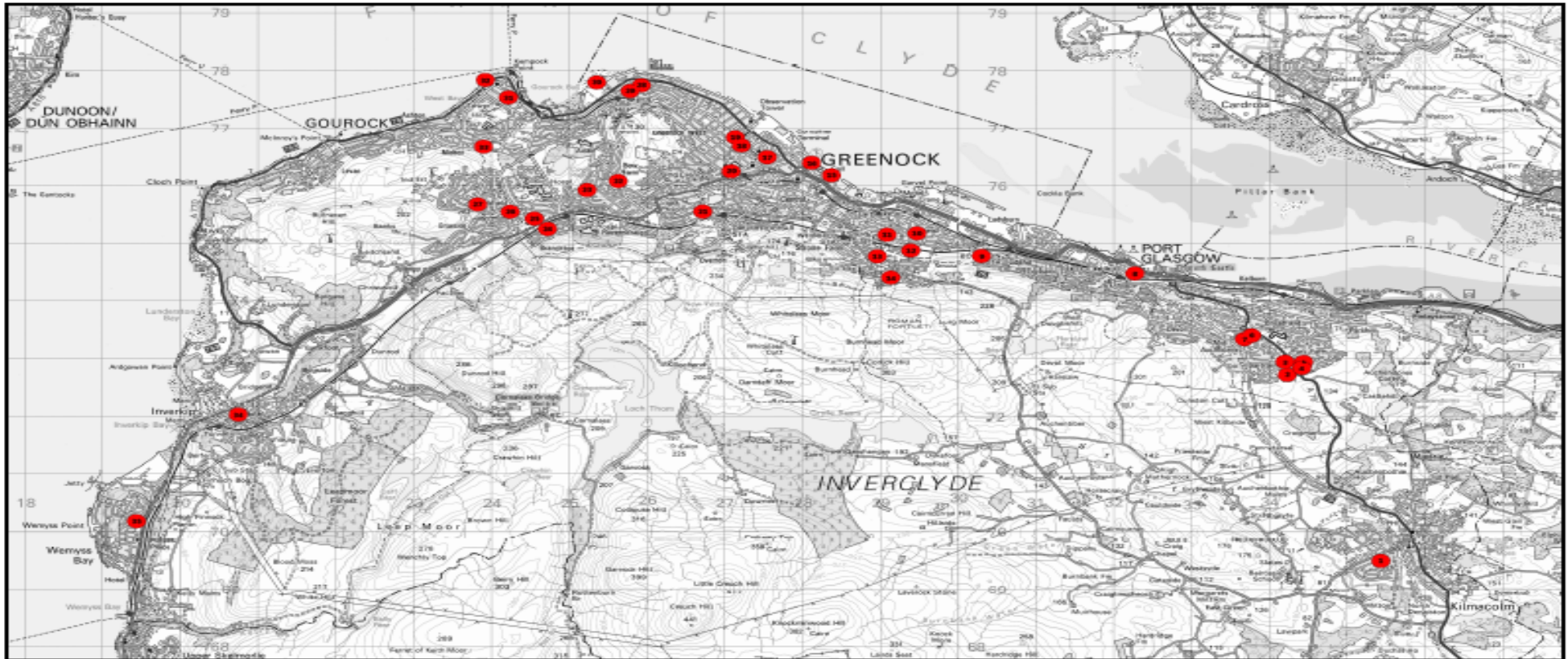
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6.5 N/A

7.0 CONSULTATIONS

7.1 This report was produced after consultation and agreement with Safer and Inclusive Communities, Education Services and Inverclyde Leisure.

Inverclyde Summer Activity Locations



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|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Kilmacoim Primary | 8. PG Swimming Pool | 15. The Beacon | 22. Grieve Road Hall | 29. Fort Matilda Tennis Camp |
| 2. PG Campus | 9. Gibshill Community Centre | 16. Greenock Waterfront | 23. Bluebird Family Centre | 30. Battery Park |
| 3. Craigmarnock School | 10. King's Oak PS - Craignend | 17. Dazzles Fit Camp | 24. Branchton Community Centre | 31. Binnie St Children's Centre |
| 4. Rainbow Family Centre | 11. Hillend Family Centre | 18. Ardgowan Tennis Camp | 25. Inverclyde Academy | 32. Gourcock Outdoor Pool |
| 5. Park Farm Hall | 12. Lady Octavia Sports Centre | 19. Lyle Kirk Hall | 26. Alleyhill PS | 33. St Ninian's PS |
| 6. Boglestone Community Centre | 13. Auchmountain Resource Centre | 20. Greenock Sports Centre | 27. Youth Connections (Burns Sq) | 34. Inverkip PS |
| 7. I-Youth Zone (Dubbs Rd) | 14. Youth Connections (Leven Rd) | 21. Notre Dame High School | 28. Greenock Wanderers | 35. Wemyss Bay PS |

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