

PLEASE NOTE TIME OF MEETING

A special meeting of the Education & Communities Committee will be held on Tuesday 19 June 2018 at 4pm within the Municipal Buildings, Greenock.

GERARD MALONE
Head of Legal and Property Services

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Report To:	Education and Communities Committee	Date: 19 June 2018
Report By:	Ruth Binks, Head of Education	Report No: EDUCOM/69/18/RB
Contact Officer:	Linda Wilkie Quality Improvement Officer	Contact No: 01475 712812
Subject:	Revised Financial Submission to Increase Early Learning and Childcare to 1140 hours	

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise members of the revised plan for the increase of early learning and childcare from 600 to 1140 hours.

2.0 SUMMARY

2.1 The Scottish Government has announced a plan to increase the entitlement of early learning and childcare from 600 hours to 1140 hours by 2020.

2.2 Inverclyde Council submitted its expansion plan and financial template in September 2017. All Local Authorities had to submit revised financial templates to Scottish Government by 2nd March 2018.

2.3 The initial submissions from all 32 local authorities required more capital and revenue funding than the Scottish Government anticipated.

2.4 New guidance has been issued in relation to the expansion programme and this has influenced the revised submission.

2.5 Inverclyde Council's early phase projects have changed to ensure costs are contained within the allocated revenue budget for 2018 / 19.

2.6 Inverclyde Council has received sufficient revenue and capital allocations from the Scottish Government that will allow the revised plan to be implemented.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 It is recommended that Committee:

- Agrees that the revised plan is implemented in line with funding allocations.
- Notes the changes in the early phase projects for 2018 / 19.
- Agrees that regular updates are provided to the Committee throughout the implementation of the plan

Ruth Binks
Head of Education

4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The Scottish Government is committed to increasing the entitlement to Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) from 600 hours to 1140 hours by 2020.
- 4.2 The increase to 1140 hours is a universal entitlement for all children aged 3 and 4 years and an entitlement for 25% of 2 year olds.
- 4.3 Inverclyde Council submitted its expansion plan to Scottish Government on 29th September 2017. The plan provided details of current services and the developments required to deliver 1140 hours.
- 4.4 The plan was based on an assumption that it would be fully funded by the Scottish Government.
- 4.5 All 32 Local Authorities were asked to resubmit a revised financial template by 2nd March 2018. This date was extended to 7th March 2018 due to the adverse weather.

5.0 REVIEW OF INITIAL SUBMISSION

- 5.1 Inverclyde Council submitted its expansion plan to the Scottish Government on 29th September 2017.
- 5.2 Following the submission there has been a series of local and national engagement events and guidance. Key messages from these events were:
 - It is clear from the plans that considerable effort and energy have characterised their preparation. It is also clear that local authorities and their partners share a collective ambition to delivery high quality early learning and childcare.
 - Dialogue between Local Authorities and the Scottish Government has allowed the collective identification of opportunities to maximise the efficiency and effectiveness of the transformative investment in ELC and provides a positive platform from which to progress the development and delivery of the programme.
 - The Scottish Government's review process focused on how local authorities responded to the ELC Expansion Planning Guidance, each authority's vision and how each authority intends to deliver the ELC Expansion Blueprint principles. The review sought to understand the robustness of underpinning cost estimates by exploring the linkages between anticipated demand and supply and the approach being taken to the use, buy, build planning principle.
 - Common themes related to each authority's vision for service change and the plan to realise those visions emerged:

Emphasising the importance of understanding and demonstrating the link between anticipated demand and supply;

Addressing capacity challenges by making best use of what we have, buying where possible, through supporting a wide range of partners including childminders and third sector partners, and finally building where needed.

- 5.3 Within Inverclyde Council's plan the specific areas to be reviewed were:
 - Supply and demand - make better use of what we have by, for example, increasing shared places.
 - The Scottish Government acknowledged the desire to increase Partnership places but needed reassurance that this was achievable.
 - Decrease the overall financial and capital costs.
 - Ensure that training and development requirements are realistic as costs identified are very low.
 - Review uptake of school meals as based on 100%.

- Review staffing models to ensure model reflects supply and demand.

6.0 REVISED FINANCIAL TEMPLATE

6.1 The revised financial template has been completed taking account of the areas for development identified at 5.3 of this report.

6.2 The main changes within the revised submission are:

Area	Change / Impact
Outdoor learning places	72 additional places created
Partnership places	Increased by 43% (8% in 2017 to 14% in 2020)
Wraparound places	Reduced from 15% to 10% in 52 week establishments and from 10% to 0% in term time establishments.
52 week provision	Reduced the number of proposed 52 week services from 13 to 8.
Shared places	Increased from 10% to 30%
Infrastructure	Reduction in new build projects, extension projects. Increase in refurbishment projects and outdoor learning developments.
Management / Staffing model	Significant adjustments to management and staffing models.

6.3 The infrastructure required to provide the increased places has changed in light of the changes identified at 6.2 of this report:

	Initial Submission	Revised Submission	Detail
Refurbishment Projects	3	5	The 3 projects in the initial submission plan are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Josephs's Nursery Class • Blairmore Nursery Nursery Class • St Francis Nursery Class 2 additional projects are included in the revised submission: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craigmarloch Nursery Class • Gourock YAC
Extension Projects	3	0	The 3 projects in the original submission that have been removed from the revised submission are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grieve Road Community Centre • Larkfield Children's Centre • Weymss Bay Community Centre
New Build Projects	5	3	The 5 projects in the original submission were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Ninian's Nursery Class • Crawfordsburn Community Centre • Dempster St New Build • Park Farm Community Centre • Glenpark Early Learning Centre 3 projects have been removed from the revised submission which are:

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Ninian's Nursery Class • Crawfurdsburn Community Centre • Dempster St New Build 1 additional project has been added to the revised submission: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Larkfield Children's Centre
Outdoor Learning Developments	4	6	The 4 projects in the original submission were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Binnie St. Children's Centre • Blairmore Nursery School • Kilmacolm Nursery Class • Rainbow Family Centre The 2 additional projects in the revised submission are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gibshill Children's Centre • Weymss Bay Nursery Class

6.4 An All Members' Briefing was held in May 2018 to explain the changes detailed in 6.2 and 6.3 above. This presentation is attached as Appendix 1.

7.0 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

7.1 The Scottish Government initially announced Revenue funding of £410m and Capital funding of £430m. After the submission of the revised financial templates, this has now been increased to £567m Revenue funding and £476m Capital Funding.

Inverclyde Council's revised expansion plan is estimated to cost:

Capital	Revenue
5,921,100	15,493,000

The existing Early Years budget is £7.3million and therefore an increase of revenue funding of £8,193,000 is required by 2021/22.

7.2 Inverclyde Council received notification of its allocation from Scottish Government on 1st May 2018.

The capital allocation is:

Year	Amount
2017 / 18	£398,000
2018 / 19	£1,900,000
2019 / 20	£2,200,000
2020 / 21	£1,500,000
Total	£5,980,000

The revenue allocation is:

Year	Amount
2017 / 18	£269,000
2018 / 19	£1,007,805
2019 / 20	£4,885,000
2020 / 21	£8,084,000
2021 / 22	£9,017,000

The overall increase in revenue funding is due to the Scottish Government adding inflation to the submitted figures and adjusting to NRS 2014 population projections.

7.3 The Scottish Government has committed to fully funding the expansion programme and therefore Inverclyde Council will not contribute any additional funding.

8.0 EARLY PHASING

8.1 Inverclyde Council was advised of the revenue funding allocation for 2018/19 on 22nd February 2018 and Capital Funding on 1st May 2018.

ELC expansion capacity and capability building									
3 and 4 year olds		2 year olds		Lunches		Additional Graduates	Total		
New	Recurring	New	Recurring	New	Recurring	New	New	Recurring	Total
383,453	246,777	42,452	27,686	29,532	57,217	220,690	676,126	331,680	1,007,805

8.2 A summary of this allocation is:

- £700,368 for capacity and capability building (existing and new early phase projects)
- £86,749 lunches
- £220,690 additional graduates

8.3 Due to the allocation of funding, the following changes to the early phasing plan 2018 / 19 have been made:

	Initial Submission	Revised Submission
St. Joseph's Nursery Class	56 places for 3 – 5 year olds 15 places for 2 – 3 year olds	24 places for 3 – 5 year olds 15 places for 2 – 3 year olds
St. Francis' Nursery Class	24 places for 3 – 5 year olds 15 places for 2 – 3 year olds	24 places for 3 – 5 year olds 15 places for 2 – 3 year olds
Craigmarloch Nursery Class (ASN)	6 places for 2 – 5 year olds	No provision
Blairmore Nursery School (2yr old places)	15 places for 2 – 3 year olds	No provision
Childminders	3 places for 3 – 5 year olds	6 places for 3 – 5 year olds

8.4 The changes to the early phasing plan will increase challenges in relation to:

- staff recruitment – fewer staff recruited this year means a higher number required next year; raised expectations – refurbishments / new builds not able to operate or operate at reduced capacity.

9.0 CONCLUSIONS

9.1 It is evident that the 1140 hours expansion programme has many challenges; however it has the potential to give Inverclyde's children the best start in life and to close attainment and inequality gaps.

9.2 Planning for the expansion continues to be challenging given the timing and robustness of the guidance from the Scottish Government. This has been acknowledged by Audit Scotland in their February 2018 report on the expansion programme. A separate report has been submitted to the Committee on this.

10.0 IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Finance

Financial Implications

The revised financial template is included as **Appendix 1**

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Year	Proposed Spend Report £000's	this	Virement From	Other Comments
Various	Early Years	2017/21	5,980			Total Capital costs will be contained within this funding.

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact £000's	Virement From (if applicable)	Other Comments
Various	Early Years	18/19 19/20 20/21 21/22	1,008 4,885 8,084 9,017		Actual spend will be phased to reflect funding allocation.

10.2 Legal

Inverclyde Council has a duty to ensure that there is provision of Early Learning and Childcare available to entitled children.

10.3 Human Resources

There are significant Human Resources implications in the expansion programme. The availability of the workforce is a significant challenge. The reduction in early phase projects increases this challenge.

Supporting Inverclyde's submission is a local Workforce Plan designed to "get the right people, with the right skills, in the right place at the right time". Further details of this are included in the All Members' Briefing presentation in Appendix 1.

10.4 Equalities

There are no equality issues within this report.

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.

10.5 Repopulation

The regeneration works outlined in this report should contribute to retaining and increasing the population within the area. There are no repopulation issues.

11.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 11.1 A blueprint for 2020: The expansion of early learning and childcare in Scotland – Early Learning and Childcare expansion planning guidance for Local Authorities. Scottish Government March 2017.

A blueprint for 2020: The expansion of early learning and childcare in Scotland – 2017-18 action plan. Scottish Government, March 2017.

Early Learning and Childcare

Increase in Early Learning
and Childcare to 1140 hours

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Background

Scottish Government has announced its commitment to increase entitlement to early learning and childcare from 600 hours to 1140 hours for all 3 and 4 year olds and some 2 year olds by 2020.

A business plan detailing Inverclyde Council's full expansion programme was submitted to Scottish Government on 29th September 2017.

The initial submissions from all 32 local authorities required more capital and revenue funding than Scottish Government anticipated.

All Local Authorities had to submit revised financial templates to Scottish Government by 2nd March 2018.

The revised business plan required significant adjustment.

Current Provision

Port Glasgow / Kilmacolm Cluster

	2 year olds	3 and 4 year olds
Additional number of places required	15	136

Existing LA provision	Kilmacolm Nursery Class (Kilmacolm) Rainbow Family Centre (Port Glasgow) Newark Nursery School (Port Glasgow) St John's Nursery Class (Port Glasgow)
Partner Providers	-
Other Providers	Duchal Nursery (Kilmacolm) Kilmacolm Playgroup and Toddlers (Kilmacolm) St Columba's Nursery Class (Kilmacolm) 5 Childminders (Kilmacolm) 4 Childminders (Port Glasgow)

East End Cluster

	2 year olds	3 and 4 year olds
Additional number of places required	35	136

Existing LA provision	Blairmore Nursery School Glenbrae Children's Centre Gibshill Children's Centre Hillend Children's Centre King's Oak Nursery Class
Partner Providers	Enchanted Forest (Greenock)
Other Providers	2 Childminders

West Central Cluster

	2 year olds	3 and 4 year olds
Additional number of places required	0	104

Existing LA provision	Kelly St. Children's Centre Wellpark Children's Centre Whinhill Nursery Classes
Partner Providers	Wellington Pre 5 Centre Madera Private Nursery
Other Providers	Kidology Nursery Enterprise Childcare Pre 3 Centre West College Scotland 10 Childminders

South West Cluster

	2 year olds	3 and 4 year olds
Additional number of places required	30	130

Existing LA provision	Aileymill Nursery Class Bluebird Family Centre Lady Alice Nursery Class Larkfield Children's Centre
Partner Providers	-
Other Providers	12 childminders

Gourock Cluster

	2 year olds	3 and 4 year olds
Additional number of places required	15	78

Existing LA provision	Binnie St. Children's Centre Moorfoot Nursery Class
Partner Providers	-
Other Providers	Battery Park Nursery (also serves South West Cluster) 6 Childminders

Wemyss Bay / Inverkip Cluster

	2 year olds	3 and 4 year olds
Additional number of places required	0	38

Existing LA provision	Inverkip Nursery Class Wemyss Bay Nursery Class
Partner Providers	Enchanted Forest (Inverkip)
Other Providers	9 Childminders (Inverkip) 4 Childminders (Wemyss Bay)

Revised Submission

Revised Submission: Key Messages for All Councils

Following the submission there has been a series of local and national engagement events and guidance. Key messages from these events were:

- It is clear from the plans that considerable effort and energy has characterised their preparation. It is also clear that local authorities and their partners share a collective ambition to delivery high quality early learning and childcare.
- Dialogue between LAs and Scottish Government has allowed the identification of opportunities to maximise the efficiency and effectiveness of the transformative investment in ELC.
- Scottish Government's review process focused on how local authorities responded to the ELC Expansion Planning Guidance; each authority's vision and how each authority intends to deliver the ELC Expansion Blueprint principles.
- Common themes related to each authority's vision for service change and the plan to realise those visions emerged:

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Revised Submission: Key Messages for Inverclyde Council

Within Inverclyde Council's plan the specific areas to be reviewed were:

- Supply and demand - make better use of what we have by, for example, increasing shared places.
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- Decrease the overall financial and capital costs.
- Ensure that training and development requirements are realistic as costs identified are very low.
- Review uptake of school meals as based on 100%.
- Review staffing models to ensure model reflects supply and demand

Revised Submission: Key Changes

Area	Change / Impact by 2020
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52 week provision	Reduced the number of proposed 52 week services from 13 to 8.
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Infrastructure	Reduction in new build projects, extension projects. Increase in refurbishment projects and outdoor learning developments.
Workforce	Significant adjustments to management and staffing models.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Scottish Government Allocation

- ✓ Inverclyde Council received notification of its allocation from Scottish Government on 1st May 2018.
- ✓ Scottish Government have committed to fully funding the expansion programme and therefore Inverclyde Council will not contribute any additional funding.

Capital Funding Allocation

Year	Amount
2017/18	£380,000
2018/19	£1,900,000
2019/20	£2,200,000
2020/21	£1,500,000
Total	£5,980,000

Revenue Funding Allocation

Year	Amount
2017/18	£269,000
2018/19	£1,007,805
2019/20	£4,885,000
2020/21	£8,084,000
2021/22	£9,017,000

Infrastructure

Port Glasgow / Kilmacolm Cluster

Initial Submission proposals	<p>Partnership arrangements with other providers</p> <p>Blended approach with Childminders</p> <p>Shared places</p> <p>Demolish Park Farm Community Centre – New Build</p> <p>New St. Francis Nursery PS Nursery Class – Refurbishment</p> <p>Outdoor learning places at Rainbow Family Centre</p> <p>Outdoor learning places at Kilmacolm Primary School</p>
Revised Submission proposals	<p>Blended approach with Childminders</p> <p>Shared places</p> <p>Demolish Park Farm Community Centre – New Build</p> <p>New St. Francis PS Nursery Class – Refurbishment</p> <p>Craigmarloch Nursery – Minor Alterations</p> <p>Outdoor learning places at Rainbow Family Centre</p> <p>Outdoor classroom at Kilmacolm Primary School</p>

East End Cluster

Initial Submission proposals	<p>Partnership arrangements with other providers</p> <p>Blended approach with Childminders</p> <p>Shared places</p> <p>Demolish Crawfordsburn Community Centre – New Build</p> <p>Blairmore Nursery 2-3's – EYLC Conversion</p> <p>Outdoor learning places at Blairmore Nursery</p>
Revised Submission proposals	<p>Blended approach with Childminders</p> <p>Shared places</p> <p>Blairmore Nursery 2-3's – EYLC Conversion</p> <p>Outdoor learning places at Blairmore Nursery</p> <p>Outdoor learning places at Gibshill Children's Centre</p>

West Central Cluster

Initial Submission proposals	Partnership arrangements with other providers Blended approach with Childminders Shared places Glenpark Early Learning Centre – New Build Dempster Street (Cowdenknowes) – New Build
Revised Submission proposals	Partnership arrangements with other providers Blended approach with Childminders Shared places Glenpark Early Learning Centre – New Build

South West Cluster

Initial Submission proposals	Blended approach with Childminders Shared places Larkfield Children's Centre expansion - Extension Grieve Road Community Hall - Extension New St. Joseph's PS Nursery Class - Refurbishment
Revised Submission proposals	Blended approach with Childminders Shared places Larkfield Children's Centre – New Build New St. Joseph's PS Nursery Class - Refurbishment

Gourock Cluster

Initial Submission proposals	Partnership arrangements with other providers Blended approach with Childminders Shared places Former St. Ninian's PS Site – New Build Outdoor learning places at Binnie St. Children's Centre
Revised Submission proposals	Partnership arrangement with other Provider Blended approach with Childminders Shared places Increase provision with Partner Provider Gourock YAC - Refurbishment Outdoor learning places at Binnie St. Children's Centre

Weymss Bay / Inverkip Cluster

Initial Submission proposals	<p>Partnership arrangements with other providers</p> <p>Blended approach with Childminders</p> <p>Shared places</p> <p>Increase provision with Partner Provider</p> <p>Wemyss Bay Community Centre - Extension</p>
Revised Submission proposals	<p>Blended approach with Childminders</p> <p>Shared places</p> <p>Increase provision with Partner Provider</p> <p>Outdoor classroom at Wemyss Bay Primary School</p>

Infrastructure Summary

New Builds	
Glenpark Early Learning Centre	June 2018
Larkfield Children's Centre	August 2020
Park Farm Community Centre	August 2020

New Builds – In Progress

Glenpark



New Builds - Feasibility

Park Farm / Larkfield



Refurbishments

Blairmore Nursery School (2- 3 year places)	August 2018
St. Joseph Primary School	October 2018
St. Francis Primary School	October 2018
Craigmarloch Nursery Class	August 2019
Gourock YAC	August 2019

Refurbishments

Blairmore



St Francis



St Joseph's



Outdoor Projects

Binnie St. Children's Centre	Operational
Blairmore Nursery School	August 2018
Kilmacolm Nursery Class	August 2019
Rainbow Family Centre	August 2019
Gibshill Children's Centre	August 2019
Wemyss Bay Nursery Class	August 2019

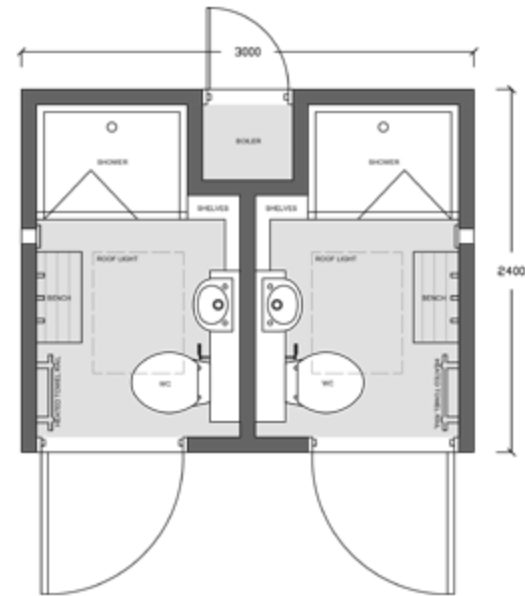
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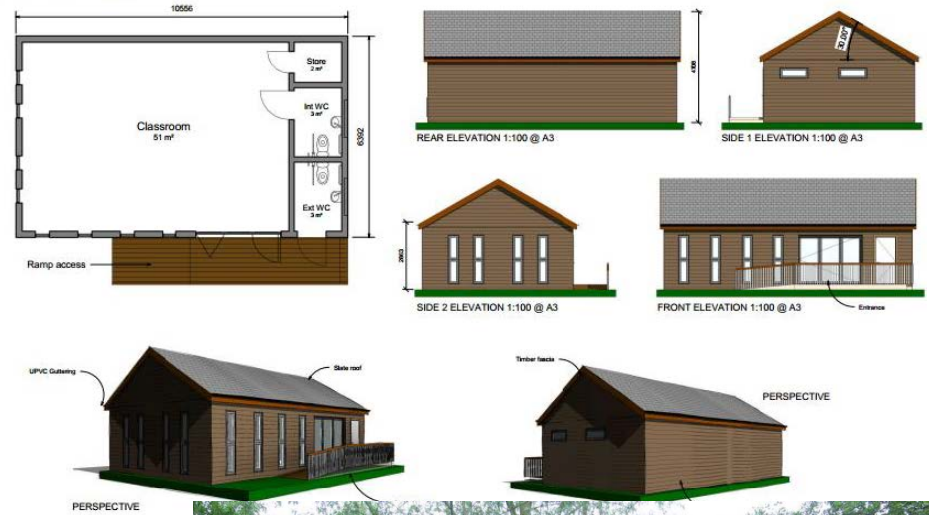
Blairmore

Rainbow

Gibshill



Outdoor Classrooms



Binnie St

Kilmacolm

Wemyss Bay



Capital Funding Allocation

Year	Funding Allocation	Projected Expenditure
2017/18	£380,000	£311,000
2018/19	£1,900,000	£1,211,000
2019/20	£2,200,000	£4,322,000
2020/21	£1,500,000	£136,000
	£5,980,000	£5,980,000

Workforce Plan

Workforce Plan created:

- Total Current workforce 260 FTE
- Increase by 200 to 460 FTE by 2020/21 (excl. turnover)
- Of this 166 FTE are Early Years Education and Childcare Officers (EYECO)

Work Streams to match demand with supply:

- ✓ West College Scotland (bespoke/normal)
- ✓ Modern Apprentices (10 from next year)
- ✓ General Recruitment
- ✓ Sessional Register/Current Temps
- ✓ Redeployment List

Promotional Activity:

- ✓ Scottish Government
- ✓ Corporate Communications

CONCLUSION

It is evident that the 1140 hours expansion programme has many challenges and risks; however it has the potential to give Inverclyde's children the best start in life and to help close attainment and inequality gaps.

Report To:	Education & Communities Committee	Date:	19 June 2018
Report By:	Head of Environmental and Public Protection	Report No:	EDUCOM/67/18/MM
Contact Officer:	Martin McNab	Contact No:	01475 714246
Subject:	Indoor Bowling Facility Works		

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To inform the Committee of developments around Inverclyde Indoor Bowling and to seek Committee approval for Inverclyde Leisure to carry out works.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 Members will be aware of the petition heard at the 1 February 2018 Petitions Committee. The petition sought the support of Inverclyde Council to grant a long term lease of the Inverclyde Indoor Bowling facility to Inverclyde Leisure. The stated purpose of this was to allow Inverclyde Leisure to invest in the facility, specifically in the renewal of the carpet and the lighting installation. The Petitions Committee remitted the matter to the Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities to submit a detailed report to a future meeting of the Education & Communities Committee with recommendation on the matter.
- 2.2 Subsequent to the Petitions Committee the Council made provision in the 2018-19 budget of £100K to carry out relevant works at the Indoor Bowling facility. This report seeks Committee approval for Inverclyde Leisure to commission works on the carpet and lighting and electrical installation together with any other relevant works should there be budget remaining.
- 2.3 In concert with the above, Legal & Property Services are progressing with the inclusion of the Indoor Bowling facility in the overall Inverclyde Leisure funding agreement going forward.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Education & Communities Committee:-

- 3.1 Gives approval to the procurement of a new carpet and lighting system for Inverclyde Indoor Bowling by Inverclyde Leisure,
- 3.2 Gives approval to any remaining balance in the earmarked reserve being spent on further improvements to the facility subject to officer agreement and,
- 3.3 Notes the position on the transfer of the facility to Inverclyde Leisure.

Martin McNab
Head of Environmental &
Public Protection

Grant McGovern
Head of Inclusive Education
Culture & Communities

4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 The petition heard at the 1st February 2018 Petitions Committee sought the following:

“Inverclyde Leisure Indoor Bowling Club requires new lights/lighting and carpet. This can only be achieved by Inverclyde Leisure being afforded a long term lease to allow capitalisation of the assets etc over a longer period of time.....”

The Petitions Committee remitted the matter to the Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities to submit a detailed report to a future meeting of the Education & Communities Committee with a recommendation on the matter. This report fulfils that remit.

- 4.2 A sum of £100K was subsequently allocated to the facility in the Council's 2018-19 budget. In the intervening period Inverclyde Leisure has obtained quotes from contractors for works on both the carpet and the lighting and wider electrical installation in the facility. Carrying out full works to both as requested by the petition is likely to cost of the order of £50-60K.
- 4.3 This report seeks Committee approval to allow Inverclyde Leisure to procure these works and further seeks Committee approval for any remaining balance in the £100K to be used on other relevant works to upgrade the facility. These might include improvements to the building entrance, to the café or to other facilities such as toilets. Obviously what can be achieved will depend on the balance and there will be full discussions between Council Officers and IL to achieve the best value for the Council's investment.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

Finance

5.1 Project costs will be contained in the £100K EMR.

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact £000	Virement From (if Applicable)	Other Comments
EMR	Indoor Bowling	2018-19	£100		£100K agreed in 2018-19 budget.

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

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

Legal

5.2 None.

Human Resources

5.3 None.

Equalities

5.4 Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out?

X

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.

Repopulation

5.5 None.

6.0 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 The Chief Financial Officer has been consulted on this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 Long Term Lease to Inverclyde Leisure of Inverclyde Bowling Club – Petitions Committee
01 February 2018 **LP/014/18**

Report To:	Education & Communities Committee	Date:	19 June 2018
Report By:	Head of Environmental and Public Protection	Report No:	EDUCOM/68/18/HS
Contact Officer:	Hugh Scott Service Manager	Contact No:	01475 715450
Subject:	Grants to Voluntary Organisations		

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to request removal of a clause within GTVO Guidance Notes.

2.0 SUMMARY

2.1 Within the GTVO Guidance Notes it currently states that:

"We will not:

- Normally fund organisations who are in receipt of other Council funding or who have a turnover of over £150,000"

2.2 On the advice of Procurement and Legal & Property Services, the recommendation has been made that the cap of £150,000 is removed from the Guidance Notes with no turnover limit being stated.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Education & Communities Committee:-

3.1 Gives approval to the removal of the turnover cap for GTVO.

Martin McNab
Head of Environment &
Public Protection Services

Grant McGovern
Head of Inclusive Education
Culture & Communities

4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 None required

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Finance

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact £000	Virement From (if Applicable)	Other Comments
N/A	I				

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

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

5.2 Legal

None

5.3 Human Resources

None

5.4 Equalities

Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out?

	YES (see attached appendix)
X	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.

5.5 Repopulation

None

6.0 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 The Head of Legal & Property Services has been consulted on this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.