
Report To:	Education & Communities Committee	Date:	22 January 2019
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Subject:	Grants to Voluntary Organisations		

1.0 PURPOSE

The purposes of this report are:

- 1.1 To inform the Committee of the current playscheme service and funding requirements for future delivery of summer activity service provision from 2019 onwards.
- 1.2 To inform the Committee of an increase in rental for Samaritans, third sector organisation and funding requirements for future delivery of service provision from 2 January onwards.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 £30,000 Grants to Voluntary Organisations funding was previously approved and allocated for Community Playscheme provision in 2018.
- 2.2 Six local community organisations received funding of £5,000 each to provide summer playschemes and activities. Auchmountain, Branchton, Craigend, 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.
- 2.3 It is a proposal that funding for playschemes is protected for the duration of GTVO funding to ensure that this provision is maintained as part of the Playscheme Strategy. It would be a condition for all parties to ensure that they continued to meet governance requirements.
- 2.4 The Committee has previously approved a commercial rent for Samaritans. A new lease will be in place from 2 January 2019 which involves an increase in rental of £300. It is a proposal that funding is granted to support the new rental to ensure continuity of service provision.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 The Committee is asked to approve the funding for summer playschemes for the duration of GTVO.
- 3.2 The Committee is asked to approve the funding for rental for Samaritans for the period 2019/20.

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4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 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 2018 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 who 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 King's 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 the 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.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

Finance

5.1 Financial Implications:

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact £000	Virement From (If Applicable)	Other Comments
61000	GTVO	2019/20	37,300		

Legal

5.2 There are no legal implications as a result of this report.

Equalities

5.3 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

Repopulation

5.4 N/A

6.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 None.