
Report To:	Grants Sub-Committee	Date:	17 May 2016
Report By:	Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development	Report No:	GR/02/16/WB/MP
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Subject:	Grants to Voluntary Organisations 2016 - 2017		

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to give details of applications received for consideration for funding from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Budget in 2016-2017.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 The budget for the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Fund for 2016-2017 is £325,590. From this amount, £190,161 has been set aside to support the third year of funding for the 3 year grants awarded in the financial year 2014-2015, leaving £135,429 available for Round 1.
- 2.2 Details of the grant applications received are given in Appendix A. In total, 39 one off grant applications have been received with the total sum requested being £182,215.40.
- 2.3 To assist the Grants Sub-Committee, Officers have proposed indicative awards within the budget available. These reflect previous awards made to applicants or similar projects approved by the Sub-Committee. These recommendations are given in Appendix B – Private Paper.
- 2.4 One application previously approved by the Sub-Committee in Round 1 in the financial year 2014-2015 has been resubmitted requesting a change of use of their award. Details of the application are given in Appendix C.
- 2.5 ‘The Education and Communities Committee of 3 May 2016 agreed, in principle and subject to the agreement of the Policy and Resources Committee, that the provision of additional funds from free reserves to continue the current provision by Inverclyde Leisure of 8 play schemes across Inverclyde. Two of these schemes (Bogelstone and Inverkip) received support from Grants to Voluntary Organisations via applications from the relevant community organisations. No applications have been received this year, however, to ensure continuity of provision, it is proposed that the sum of £10,000 is allocated from the GTVO budget for 2016/17 and 2017/18 to the provision of playschemes, specifically at Boglestone and Inverkip.’
- 2.6 Officer recommendations currently total £57,809.88, leaving a balance of £77,619.12.
- 2.7 Members are invited to determine the final grants awarded to each application, as detailed in the appendices, having regard to Officers’ recommendations and the total funds available.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Grants Sub-Committee:-

- 3.1 Determine the level of funding to be allocated to the organisations in Appendix A.
- 3.2 Agree the change of use to application being resubmitted as given in Appendix C.
- 3.3 Agree that £10,000 is allocated from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations budget in 2016/17 and 2017/18 to support the continuation of playschemes at Boglestone and Inverkip.

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Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development

4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Details of applications that have been submitted for this meeting have been given in Appendix A.
- 4.2 The total available funding for allocation through small grants in Round 1 of 2016-2017 is £135,429.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Financial Implications – One off costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Year	Proposed Spend this report	Virement from	Other Comments
009700006005 007900006100	Grants to Vol Orgs	16-17	To be confirmed	n/a	n/a

5.2 Legal: None

5.3 Human Resources: None

5.4 Equalities: Guidelines on how the grants are scored and how groups should apply, taking into account a number of equalities issues have been agreed previously by the Sub-Committee.

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 None required

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

PUBLIC APPENDIX

Appendix A One Off Applications

Category	Applicant	Details	Requested	Comments
Arts Group	Angel Voices	Community Choir for children aged 7 or over. Seeking funding for Musical Director to ensure of quality musical education and allow choir to continue for another year.	£1500.00	
Arts Group	Greenock Art Club	Looking for funding to replace materials & equipment lost in building fire.	£4,127.52	
Arts Group	Greenock Light Opera Club	Seeking support towards cost of theatre hire for production in Nov 2016. Funding will help to keep ticket prices down.	£2,000.00	
Arts Group	Inverclyde Pipes and Drums	Funds for purchase of kilts/flashes & maintenance of drums/pipes.	£5,000.00	
Bowling Club	Fort Matilda Bowling Club	Funding to renew roof covering and gutter urgently - this needs done before further improvement works can be undertaken.	£10,400.00	
Bowling Club	Gourock Park Bowling Club	Cost of hiring floored marquee, tables & chairs for Renfrewshire Bowling Association finals in June which club have been asked to host.	£2,313.00	
Bowling Club	Grosvenor Bowling Club	Support towards running costs- maintenance, fees, licences, insurance and expenses.	£3,000.00	
Bowling Club	Inverkip Bowling Club	Seeking help with general running costs.	£7,396.00	
Bowling Club	Lady Alice Bowling Club Junior Section	Help towards coaching scheme - 30 juniors who attend twice weekly for practice and extra time for competitions.	£2,315.00	
Bowling Club	Rankin Park Bowling Club	Support towards general running costs.	£2,000.00	
Bowling Club	Rankin Park Bowling Club	Funding to lift edges of bowling green & also widen facility/grounds entrance to allow entry for machinery.	£6,200.00	
Bowling Club	Victoria Bowling Club	Support towards running costs.	£2,500.00	
Bowling Club	Wellington Park Bowling Club	Looking to improve facilities – funding for maintenance, equipment, furniture and fittings - help maintain high performance playing area.	£2,400.00	

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Care Group	Inverclyde Homeless Forum	Refurbishment of kitchen/equipment to meet current legislation. Replacement of white goods/units. Extend kitchen with removal of wall.	£17,000.00	
Community Group	Cowdenknowes Residents Association	Support towards admin costs and hall lets for monthly meetings.	£350.00	
Community Group	Inverclyde LGBT + Society	Committee recently formed to take forward group for over 18's Group have developed over the past 5 years. Committee recently formed to take group forward - training planned with many partner agencies.	£2,190.00	
Community Group	Inverkip Community Initiative	Start-up costs for new facilities - purchase various items of equipment. Costs include legal fees, office equipment, children's play activities and sports equipment.	£7,896.00	
Community Group	Kilmacolm & Port Glasgow Agricultural Society LTD	Support towards fixed and irrecoverable costs for annual show. Income for show is weather dependant. Total cost of show approx £16,000.	£3,950.00	
Community Group	Larkfield, Braeside Branchton Community Council	Funding for community led projects, in particular annual gala day.	£2,450.00	
Community Group	Larkfield Community Hall	New committee - working hard to develop hall for the community - struggling due to historic debts from previous committee. Support towards historic utility bills and also kitchen refurbishment - needs to be updated for health and safety, will then allow classes to be offered.	£15,707.00	
Community Group	SMART Community Project	Funding towards ongoing running costs of shop front for next 3 years - rent, heating, water.	£15,006.00	
Pre-School Group	Inverclyde Happy Tots	Seeking funding for ongoing costs of group. Continue with monthly baby sensory classes and explore possibility of running another health fayre.	£3,260.00	
Pre-School Group	Weans World Parent/Carer Toddler Group	Purchase of new table & chairs & assistance on paying of letting fees. Only toddler group in the area.	£1,751.00	
Sports Group	Broomhill Boys Club	Trying to start hub in order to grow club, continue to deliver low cost activities for kids.	£3,300.00	

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Sports Group	Greenock Cricket Club	All weather practice facility has deteriorated in recent years and needs to be replaced to make a safe environment.	£723.00	
Sports Group	Inverclyde Ice Hockey Club	Offer children in Inverclyde extra ice time, crucial to the development of the sport 1-2 hours per week, involving a coach, children normally have to travel to North Ayrshire for all ice time (10 families).	£9,600.00	
Sports Group	Larkfield Boxing Club	New committee looking to reform old club. Club would meet 2/3 times per week. Last club closed down then all equipment lost in fire.	£5,235.00	
Sports Group	Newark Angling Club	Seeking funding to subsidise all juniors and those on limited resources. Membership spans many generations.	£615.00	
Sports Group	Paisley District Schools Football Association	Seek assistance with the everyday running of our association to assist with major expenditure such as the cost of running representative teams where major costs are coach hire/pitch hire/ equipment/laundry.	£4,600.00	
Sports Group	Port Glasgow Boys Club (All)	To ensure that all volunteer coaches are trained to required levels on First Aid and Football coaching, these requirements are now mandatory by SYFA. Grant to cover all costs entailed for these courses including hire of venues.	£4,010.00	
Sports Group	Port Glasgow Victoria Boxing Club	Looking to move to Oronsay Community Hall which will require improvement works. Seeking funding for architects drawings.	£5,000.00	
Sports Group	St Andrews BC U21s	Seeking support with running costs solely for U21s - receive no waiver assistance for park lets. Funding for training kit, equipment & other items - no new kits for past 3 years.	£1,200.00	
Summer Playscheme	Auchmountain Community Centre	Funding towards summer playscheme delivered by CLD Service.	£5,000.00	
Summer Playscheme	Gibshill Community Centre (SCIO)	Funding for summer playscheme for 4 weeks - staff costs inc NI, PVG, heat & light, materials, promotion, subsidise trips.	£9,360.00	

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Uniformed Group	The Girls' Brigade in Scotland	Support to purchase sports equipment, laptops, laptop bags/licences/USB drives - new online programme recently introduced so IT required so groups can access this. More sports equipment for loaning to individual companies.	£2,901.00	
Voluntary Group	Inverclyde Heartstart	Funding for purchase of 3 training defibrillators and TV/DVD combi - free training delivered to schools and community groups.	£729.88	
Voluntary Group	The Macular Disease Society - Inverclyde Group	Funding for transport to/from monthly meetings (provided by IVCSS) - some members use taxi's due to having special needs or living in outlying areas.	£500.00	
Youth Group	Inverclyde Youth Theatre (Kayos Theatre Company)	3 groups for young people 5-21 years (Kayos, Total Kayos and Absolute Kayos). Support towards hire of venues. Senior group perform musical over 4 nights, junior groups do combined show in smaller venue, Albany. Weeks hire at Beacon £3700. Support for 2/3 rd of estimated costs.	£4,000.00	
Youth Group	I Youth Zone Steering Group	Funding towards summer initiative within Oakmall Shopping Centre to enhance links with young people and signpost towards IYZ centres – shop front rates and resources. Rental covered by in-kind contribution from Oakmall Centre.	£4730.00	

Total Requested

£182,215.40

Appendix C

Application resubmitted for change of use of Award

Category	Applicant	Description of Grant	Previously Awarded	Comments
Community Group	Auchmountain Glen Project	Revised submission: One off grant now for rent of halls and to purchase rest of tools/equipment.	£1,000.00	Money paid to group – yet to be spent and reported on.