

AGENDA ITEM NO: 26

Report To: Policy & Resources Committee Date: 20 September 2016

Report By: Corporate Director Environment, Report No: SL/LP/118/16

Regeneration & Resources

Contact Officer: Sharon Lang Contact No: 01475 712112

Subject: Funding for Inverclyde's iYouth Zones - Remit from Education &

Communities Committee

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to request the Committee to consider a remit from the Education & Communities Committee.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Education & Communities Committee at its meeting on 6 September 2016 considered a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) advising of the projected funding shortfall from 2016/17 onwards for iYouth Zone funding and (2) recommending the use of free reserves to fund iYouth Zones for 2017/18 with the funding beyond that to be considered as part of the overall review of community facilities.
- 2.2 A copy of the report to the Education & Communities Committee is attached as Appendix 1. This provides background information and information on the implications.

2.3 The Committee decided:

- (1) that agreement be given to the use of £180,000 from free reserves to meet the 2017/18 shortfall for iYouth Zones;
- (2) that the matter be remitted to the Policy & Resources Committee for consideration; and
- (3) that thereafter, consideration be given to the future funding of iYouth Zones as part of the wider review of community facilities.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 The Committee is asked to consider the remit from the Education & Communities Committee.

Gerard Malone Head of Legal & Property Services



APPENDIX

AGENDA ITEM NO: 26

Report To: Education and Communities Date: 06 September 2016

Committee

Report By: Corporate Director Education, Report No: EDUCOM/54/16/JA

Communities and

Organisational Development

Contact Officer: Maggie Paterson Contact No: 01475715450

Subject: Funding for Inverclyde's iYouth Zones

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to:

- Advise members of the projected funding shortfall from 2016-2017 onwards for iYouth zone funding.
- Recommend the use of free reserves to fund iYouth Zones for 2017/18 with the funding beyond that to be considered as part of the overall review of community facilities.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 In June 2013, the CLD Youth Work Sub-Group secured £293,000 over 3 years, from the Big Lottery 'Our Place' funding stream. For a variety of reasons all of the funding will not be spent this financial year and Big Lottery has agreed that the balance can be carried forward into 2016-2017. The current projection is for an underspend of £23k at 31 March 2017.
- 2.2 In 2014 Earmarked Reserves of £271,000 were allocated to support the opening of IYouth Zones in Port Glasgow and Gourock. The Port Glasgow iYouth Zone opened in January 2015 followed by the Gourock iYouth Zone in September 2015.
- 2.3 The projected funding position for the 3 iYouth Zones from 2016/17 to 2018/19 is outlined in Appendix 1. This indicates a shortfall from 2017-2018 onwards.
- 2.4 It is proposed that the shortfall of £180k for 2017/18 is addressed through the use of free reserves, subject to agreement at committee, and that the continued provision of i Youth Zones beyond 2017/18 be considered as part of the overall review of community facilities.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 It is recommended that the Committee agree the use of £180k from free reserves to meet the 2017/18 shortfall for iYouth Zones, remit this issue to the Policy and Resources Committee for consideration and thereafter consider the future funding of iYouth zones as part of the wider review of Community Facilities.

John Arthur Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities

4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 In June 2013 Partners in the CLD Youth Work Sub-Group secured £293,000 over 3 years, from the Big Lottery 'Our Place' funding stream. Premises were identified in Nicolson Street, Greenock and the first iYouth Zone opened in November 2013. The success of the project and its positive impact on the lives of the young people attending stimulated interest in providing similar facilities in Gourock and Port Glasgow.
- 4.2 In November 2014, the Education & Communities Committee agreed a report on the Development of iYouth Zones in Gourock and Port Glasgow.

5.0 CURRENT POSITION

- 5.1 The iYouth Zones in all 3 facilities are now operating successfully. Both Greenock and Port Glasgow are operating to capacity. The newer iYouth Zone in Gourock is now established. See appendix 2 for an overview of current activity and participation across the 3 facilities.
- 5.2 The projected costs for the current provision for 2017/18 are £180k, rising to £208k the following year. (Appendix 1).

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	Free Reserves	2017/18	£180		

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact £000	Virement From (If Applicable)	Other Comments

Legal

6.2 None

Human Resources

6.3 A decision is required this Committee cycle to allow staff affected to be given an adequate period of notice.

Equalities

6.4 Age is a protected characteristic. An Equalities Impact Assessment will be required for any change to current provision.

Repopulation

6.5 None

7.0 CONSULTATIONS

7.1 Not applicable

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

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Appendix 2

I YOUTHZones within Inverclyde

Currently the activities and programmes within IYOUTHZones broadly fall into three categories – drop-in, 16+ targeted provision and structured groups.

Drop-in provision

These are open groups which provide a safe and supportive environment for young people to participate in youth work activities. This may include peer education work, youth achievement programmes, recreational activities, issue based workshops, active citizenship, etc.

16+ Targeted provision

This provides support for older young people who may be transitioning into adulthood and the world of work or to further education. Work with these groups includes programmes around employability, skills development, democracy, personal /social and emotional development, etc.

Structured groups

These groups are formed round a particular issue or for a particular purpose such as the Inverclyde Youth Council and Inverclyde Young LGBT+ group.

The figures for Greenock and Port Glasgow cover the period April 2015 to March 2016. The Gourock figures cover the period September 2015 to March 2016.

The information below does not include a range of summer and holiday programmes which essentially means that the IYOUTHZones operate 50 weeks over the year. Both the Greenock and PG IYOUTHZones are now used to near capacity for daytime programmes provided for adults and community members by the CLD Service and other Partners.

Gourock I Youth Zone (September 2015 to March 2016)

Membership: 82 Drop-in footfall: 782

Provision type	Frequency of Provision	Numbers attending	
Drop-in	3 x 3 hour sessions	March average per night = 12	

	(now risen to average per night = 18)
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Greenock IYOUTHZone

Membership: 537 Drop-in footfall: 6777

Provision Type	Frequency of provision	Numbers attending
Drop in	4 x 2.5 hour evening sessions	Mon, Tues, Thurs = average 22 Fri = average 10 (now risen to 38 following targeting of P7 to S1 transition)
Drop-in 16+ targeted provision	4 x 3 hour sessions	Average = 22
Structured groups	Worxclub Steering Group, Youth Council, LGBT+	46 individual attendees 56 individual attendees

Port Glasgow IYOUTHZone

Membership: 435 Drop-in footfall: 5003

Provision type	Frequency of provision	Numbers attending
Drop in	2 x 3 hour sessions	Thurs S3 average = 23
(S2 to S4)		Fri S2 average = 33
Drop in	1 x 3 hour session	Tues P7/S1 average = 47
(transition group)		_
16+ targeted	1 x 3 hour session	S4+ average = 19
provision		-
Structured	Young mums	32 individual attendees
groups	Study Support Group pilot	79 individual attendees
	Steering Group/Risky	43 individual attendees
	Behaviours	

PG IYOUTHZone also provides a number of programmes in partnership with the PG Joint Campus, including Employability and volunteering group with 48 individual attendees to date.