

MONITORING OF GRANTS TO THE THIRD SECTOR 2014/15

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report highlights how the funding from grants to the Third Sector was spent in 2014/15. Information was taken from the end of year project monitoring reports returned by those organisations awarded funding
- 1.2 The total Third Sector Grants budget made available by the Council for allocation Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands for 2014/15 was £35,000. A total of £35,000 was awarded to 26 organisations.
- 1.3 Awards were distributed in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands at Area Committee meetings in April and August 2014. Organisations have up to three months from the end of the Project to complete and return the project monitoring reports.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1. Members are asked to note the contents of the report.
- 2.2 Organisations that do not submit an end of project monitoring report are not eligible for funding from this grant scheme in future years.

3. DETAILS

- 3.1. Detailed below is a summary of the information received from the end of project monitoring reports.
- 3.2. Three from 26 grant recipients have not returned monitoring forms.

No	Organisation	Project funded	Total Projected Costs	Actual Costs	Match funding	Award	Comments	Beneficiaries		
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1	Campbeltown Community Business Ltd	Equipment for Campbeltown Picture House	£890	£987	£1,261	£400	The new lamp along with new digital projection equipment means that fewer staff are needed at any one time and as a result the hours of opening have been extended	No figures provided		
2	Campbeltown Lawn Tennis Club	Improvement to the tennis courts in Campbeltown	£21,680	£28,356	£3,500	£2,500	Since the installation of new courts, the membership has risen from 63 to 96 New competitions were introduced and the coaching programme has been improved	76	20	5-9 (9) 10-16 (20) 17-24 (24) 25-64 (41) 65+ (2)
3	Cantilena Festival on Islay Ltd	Running costs for the Festival on Islay	£16,357	£14,724	0	£2,000	Six classical music concerts were held (two sold out). The event attracts locals and tourists alike many who arrange their holiday around the festival. It also enables island residents to gain access to live classical music	210	290	5-9 (10) 10-16 (8) 17-24 (65) 25-64 (257) 65+ (160)

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4	Heart of Argyll Tourism Alliance	Crinan Canal Water Festival 2014	£8,225	£2,380	£1,380	£1,000	The Festival was scaled down and combined with Ardrishaig Gala Day. Largely because of the late withdrawal of Scottish Canals and the reduced grant award.	Approx 1200 in attendance across all age groups		
5	Iomairt Chille Chomain	Materials for the Port Mor Centre	£3,000	£1,140	0	£1,000	The purchase of equipment has made the Centre more user friendly for service users	47	55	17-24 (40) 25-64 (35) 65+ (27)
6	Islay & Jura Community Enterprises Ltd	A contribution towards training costs for the development of a Rookies club for young people on Islay	£5,487	£5,504	£3,987	£800	Qualified instructors have taught 35 children and young people new lifeguarding skills, rescue techniques, first aid and resuscitation helping to develop new skills, confidence & self-esteem and making the beaches of Islay and Jura safer for summer swimmers	16	19	5-9 (14) 10-16 (16) 17-24 (5)
7	Islay and Jura Dolphins Amateur Swimming Club	Travel costs for swimming competitions on the mainland	£3,800			£1,650	Form pending as of 10/7/15			

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8	Islay Pipe Band	Travel costs for the Band to attend Competitions.	£14,000	£15,540	0	£3,000	The Pipe Band were able to attend more competitions on the mainland and ability and confidence has increased	20	12	10-16 (4) 17-24 (6) 25-64 (22)
9	Islay Youth Pipers	Travel costs for the Pipers to attend competitions on the mainland.	£1,602	£945	0	£807	The group which is newly established only managed to visit one competition in Inveraray (A refund arranged of £334)	1	15	5-9 (1) 10-16 (14) 17-24 (1)
10	Kintyre Six Circle Group	A cultural visit to a Scottish City	£2,000	£1,025	£500	£500	The children who in the main are from rurally isolated and excluded groups enjoyed a visit to a Pantomime in Glasgow.	10	16	0-4 (1) 10-16 (5) 17-24 (3) 25-64 (6) 65+ (1)
11	Kintyre Youth Enquiry Service	A contribution towards sessional worker costs.	£4,080	£3,194	£1,908	£1,286	Thursday and Friday evening Drop-ins offered a varied programme of activities to enable young people to make more informed choices and positive decisions	30	20	17-24 (35) 25-64 (15)
12	Mid Argyll Music Festival	A contribution towards the running costs of the Mid Argyll Music Festival	£10,070	£8,197	0	£259	The Festival involves school children and adults from across Argyll and Bute with approximately 1000 competitors taking part.	Estimated over 1500 in attendance		

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13	Mid Argyll Youth Development Services	Sessional worker costs and materials to support P5 children	£3,140	£3,240	£480	£1,570	The sessional staff ran a club every Thursday evening for 48 weeks providing recreational activities and arts and crafts sessions for young people	20	25	5-9 (45)
14	Mid Argyll Youth Forum	Summer activities for the group	£3,620	£2,898	0	£400	The successful summer programme offered a wide range of focussed sports activities for young people	83	128	10-16 (197) 17-24 (14)
15	Moving On - Mid Argyll (Mo-Ma)	Starter Packs for vulnerable groups and individuals	£2,120			£1,050	Form pending as of 10/7/15			
16	Multiple Sclerosis Centre - Mid Argyll	MS Fun on the Green Day	£6,558	£6,338	£2,750	£1,000	The event which raises awareness of MS and the work of the Centre included a 'bungee jump' from a crane. Despite the very wet and windy weather support was provided from some 30 volunteers and many families from across Scotland attended to support relatives taking part in the bungee jump.	Approx 500 across all age groups		

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17	Shopper-Aide	Volunteer expenses and materials	£2,810	£2,460	£520	£1,040	The organisation provides a valuable service to isolated older people in Kintyre. Services include shopping, collecting prescriptions, transport to appointments and access to other agencies.	51	91	17-24 (9) 25-64 (35) 65+ (68)
18	South Kintyre Senior Citizens	Christmas vouchers for the elderly in Campbeltown	£4,780	£2,195	£1,430	£720	Vouchers are distributed through local shops on referral from South Kintyre Community Councils.	41	226	65+ (307)
19	Tarbert Academy Music Centre	Music tuition and hire of premises	£1,700	n/a	n/a	£850	Award returned as bid to Big Lottery was unsuccessful. £850 to be returned.	Not applicable		
20	Tarbert Mooring & Berth Holders Association	Loch Fyne Viking Festival	£47,053	£13,891	£31,854	£4,000	The first Viking Festival held was a great success attracting many visitors to the whole Loch Fyne area with significant economic and social benefits to the area. People of all ages and from different agencies volunteered time to help build the replica long ship, and to make costumes, shields and	Estimation of numbers range from a conservative guess of 6,500 to optimistic guess of 10,000.		

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							weapons. It put the area in a good light on national TV and created a real sense of community cohesion.			
21	Tarbert Open Award Group	Purchase of equipment and materials	£1,835	£1,584	£2,775	£917	Duke of Edinburgh expeditions took place with culminating in a number of bronze, silver and gold awards.	20	17	10-16 (24) 17-24 (2) 25-64 (12)
22	Tarbert Youth Group	Sessional staff costs and training courses	£4,380	£5,951	£2,612	£2,190	The group held a number of training courses eg life skills, first aid, water safety, child protection, food safety, pee mentoring, anti-sectarianism etc building confidence of young people.	25	32	Ages 10 – 24(Figs not provided)
23	Tayinloan Youth Club	Project coordinator and on costs	£7,829	£7,591	£4,773	£2,818	Form pending as of 10/7/15	18	16	5-9 (4) 10-16 (24) 17-24 (6)
24	The Dochas Centre	Funding for carers on Islay and Jura to visit Colonsay	£1,283	£1,247	0	£643	The annual outing to Colonsay took place providing much needed and valued respite for a group of carers	5	14	25-64 (8) 65+ (11)

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25	The P.M Group	Social outings and activities for senior citizens	£1,200	£1,420	£310	£600	The original plan was to take members on a o-off e trip off the island but was changed to several outings on Islay at the members request	6	26	25-64 (1) 65+ - 32)
26	The Templar Arts and Leisure Centre Trust	Tutor fees and marketing costs for Creative Digital Textile Project	£7,098	£4,027	£2,027	£2,000	Weekly drop in sessions were provided. The group is important for older people, and carers who use the service to create memory projects (mainly book)s but also to create heirlooms	14	106	25-64 (28) 65+ (92)

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1. All organisations have been sent an end of project report and to date three out of 26 reports have not been received. The Community Development Team will continue to pursue applicants who have not yet submitted their end of project report for 2014/15.
- 4.2 The project monitoring form has a section asking for comments on the grant process. Not all applicants have completed this section but of those received the comments have largely been very positive. The majority note that the process is simple, straightforward, clear and concise. Thanks are noted for the support received from staff and elected members.

5. IMPLICATIONS

Policy: None

Finance: The report sets out the expenditure from the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands area budget for the allocation of Third Sector Grants in 2014/15.

Personnel: None

Legal: None

Equal Opportunities: The grant allocation is consistent with the Equal Opportunities policy of Argyll and Bute Council.

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