

***MONITORING OF GRANTS TO THE THIRD SECTOR 2014/15***

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**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 in Helensburgh and Lomond for 2014/15 was £35,000. A total of £35,000 was awarded to 19 organisations. One organisation subsequently withdrew their application and the amount of £1,006 was carried forward for consideration in 2015/16.
- 1.3 Awards were distributed in Helensburgh and Lomond 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.
- 2.3 The Gibson Community Centre Committee is requested to return £1,644 of the £2,514 Third Sector Grant it received in 2014/15 as the actual cost of the events it had proposed was £1,740, rather than the projected cost of £5,770.
- 2.4 That the funds to be returned by the Gibson Community Centre committee are reallocated in a third round of Third Sector Grant funding in Helensburgh and Lomond in 2015/16.

**3. DETAILS**

- 3.1. Detailed below is a brief summary of the information received from the end of project monitoring reports.
- 3.2. All 18 grant recipients have completed, or partially completed, and returned a monitoring form.

No	Organisation	Project funded	Total Projected Costs	Actual Costs	Match funding	Award	Comments	Beneficiaries		
								M	F	Age
1	Ardencaple Football Club	Purchase of 10 sets of 4-a-side goals for the club	£2,000	£1,360	0	£500	Purchase of 4 sets of goals has enhanced the training sessions and has allowed football festivals to be organised with other clubs.	70	6	5-9 (76)
2	Artmap Argyll	Art workshops at the Helensburgh Winter Festival	£2,012	N/A	N/A	£1,006	Application withdrawn - funding carried forward for spend in 2015/16.			
3	Bicentenary Pipe Band Championships 2014	Running costs	£10,840	£8,487	0	£4,000	The event provides a platform to showcase traditional music and dance with over 500 pipers and drummers taking part.	Approx 2000 all ages		
4	Cove and Kilcreggan Lunch Club	Social activities and outings	£2,525	£1,328	0	£450	Outing to Largs and the provision of a Christmas Party for a rurally isolated group of senior citizens.		16	65+ (16)
5	Cove and Kilcreggan Youth Cafe	Sessional costs to support the development of a local football team	£6,000	£4,000	£1,790	£1,500	The Club now has a healthy football team supported by the sessional worker and a volunteer sports coach and are planning team matches with other clubs.	Approx 50/50		10-16 (45) 17-24 (6)
6	Gareloch Branch Riding for Disabled Association	Livery costs for two additional horses	£22,608	£21,613	£19,413	£2,200	The service continues to expand and offer more opportunities for riders to take part in activities which increase health and wellbeing.	28	27	0-4 (1) 5-9 (18) 10-16 (14) 17-24 (11) 25-64 (11)
7	Gibson Community Centre	Running costs and social activities	£5,770	£1,740	0	£2,514	Some of the planned activities did not go ahead. The Queen Tribute Band was well received with some 200 people in attendance.	Not broken down		5-9 (10) 10-16 (30) 17-24 (50) 25-64 (70) 65+ (30)

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8	Helensburgh & Lomond Autism/Asperger's Society	Programme of activities for children	£4,841	£2,836	£2,000	£1,500	Opportunities for young people and families to enjoy activities in an environment where they feel safe and respected.	Figures not provided		
9	Helensburgh & Lomond Highland Games	Running costs	£26,628	£14,709	£6,958	£4,000	The event provides a platform for a large number of competitors including school children taking part in sporting events including the British and Scottish Championships and Hill Race	Figures not provided		
10	Helensburgh Addiction Rehabilitation Team	For service users to access exercise and fitness opportunities especially swimming	£5,591	£2,170	£10,453	£1,000	The access to physical activity has been such a success that it has been adopted by the National Lottery who will continue to fund Healthy HART throughout 2015 and beyond.	7	4	25-64 (11)
11	Helensburgh and District Round Table	Annual Fireworks Display	£10,050	£8,082	0	£4,000	The fireworks display was attended by some 4000 on what was a poor evening weather wise. Local food establishments benefited from the event.	Estimated 4000 across all ages		
12	Helensburgh Cricket & Rugby Football Club	A contribution towards further development of a Street Rugby programme	£11,000	£6,300	£4,000	£2,225	The information provided in the report by the applicant does not directly relate to the project for which the funding was awarded. The applicant has been asked for further clarification.			
13	Helensburgh Savoy Musical Club	Production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's 'South Pacific'	£11,750	£11,323	£1,200	£1,125	Five performances were held with increased audience figures on the previous year. The whole production involves input from some	19	21	10-16 (5) 17-24 (12) 25-64 (20)

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							40 individuals including young people.			65+ (3)
14	Lomond & Clyde Community Orchestra	Outreach programme to encourage vulnerable individuals to take part in music tuition	£4,440	£4,194	£2,234	£1,960	The programme provides tuition to individuals enhancing knowledge and enjoyment of community music-making .	12	24	5-9 (3) 10-16 (8) 17-24 (3) 25-64 (20) 65+ (2)
15	Project 81 Youth and Community Enterprise Limited	Senior Citizens lunch club and inter-generational Christmas dinner	£4,300	£3,559	£2,040	£1,708	The lunch club provides a valuable service for socially isolated individuals. The Christmas dinner was a great success for all involved.	10	31	10-16 (9) 17-24 (2) 25-64 (6) 65+ (24)
16	Rosneath & Clynder Senior Citizens Assoc	Social outing for senior citizens.	£2,390	£1,432	0	£260	Coach trip to Edinburgh with high tea for members of the Club.	15	59	65+ (74)
17	Rosneath Peninsula Highland Gathering	Running costs of the Annual Event	£8,500	£22,425	0	£4,000	This local community event allows participants to take part in Open Championship Piping, Highland Dancing and athletic events.	Approx 1000 in attendance		
18	Royal British Legion (Helensburgh and District Branch	Remembrance Service and parade	£815	£630.73	0	£407	The service provides a focal point for the community. RBL have offered to fund catering and other costs if the cost of hiring premises were waived.	Approx 500 in attendance		
19	West of Scotland Military Wives Choir	Costs towards hiring a Musical Director	£14,092	£6,762	£4,170	£645	The choir continues to meet weekly and brings together members of the naval community giving them a feeling of self-worth and belonging. The Choir has		58	25-64

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							performed at 3 major fundraising events and smaller functions locally.			

#### **4. CONCLUSION**

- 4.1 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 Helensburgh and Lomond area 2014/15 budget for the allocation of Third Sector Grants.

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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