
THIRD SECTOR GRANTS 2016/17

1.0 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report details recommendations for the award of Third Sector Grants (including Events and Festivals) to Third Sector organisations for Helensburgh and Lomond.
- 1.2 Applications are considered twice yearly in April and August. This is intended to avoid allocation of the full budget at one meeting and enable activities held later in the year to be funded.
- 1.3 The total Third Sector Grant (TSG) budget made available by the Council for allocation in Helensburgh and Lomond for 2016/17 is £31,500. In addition, there is a carry forward from the financial period 2015/16 of £5,644 from The Tower Digital Arts Centre (£4000) and Gibson Hall (£1644), making a total amount available for allocation of £37,144.
- 1.4 The Area Committee agreed to an upper limit of £4,000 to any one organisation in any one financial period, unless there are exceptional circumstances.
- 1.5 A minimum of £2,500 should be carried forward for allocation at the Area Committee meeting in August.
- 1.6 Seventeen applications were received and three subsequently withdrawn, leaving a total of 14 applications for consideration; five of which include events and festivals.
- 1.7 The total amount of funding requested by the applicants is £39,710.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The 14 organisations listed below are awarded a combined £31,644 funding from the £37,144 TSG budget, leaving £5,500 for allocation in Round 2.

Ref No	Organisation	Grant 14/15	Grant 15/16	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested	Recommendation 2016
1	Bi-centenary Pipe Band Championships*	£4,000	£4,000	£9,009	£4,000	£3,000
2	Cove and Kilcreggan Lunch Club	£450	n/a	£2,877.65	£1,292	£1,292
3	Cove Sailing Club*	New	New	£5,000	£2,500	£2,500
4	Friends of Duchess Wood	n/a	n/a	£636	£318	£318

5	Riding for the Disabled – Gareloch Group	£2,200	n/a	£25,108	£4,000	£2,500
6	Helensburgh Addiction Rehabilitation Team (HART)	£1,000	n/a	£2,652	£1,326	£1,225
7	Helensburgh & District Men’s Shed	New	New	£4,190	£1,845	£1,845
8	Helensburgh Cricket & Rugby Football Club	£2,225	n/a	£7,030	£3,500	£2,225
9	Helensburgh Music Society*	n/a	£2,000	£10,450	£2,190	£2,000
10	Helensburgh Seafront Development Project (HSDP)	New	New	£20,000	£5,000	£2,000
11	Helensburgh Tree Conservation Trust	n/a	n/a	£6,510	£3,255	£3,255
12	Rosneath Peninsula Highland Games*	£4,000	£4,000	£17,380	£4,000	£3,000
13	Rosneath Peninsula West Community Development Trust*	New	New	£7,254	£2,500	£2,500
14	Route 81 Youth Project	£1,708	n/a	£8,784	£3,984	£3,984
		Total available to spend				£37,144
		Total recommended				£31,644
		Balance remaining for round 2				£5,500

*Events and Festivals

3.0 DETAIL

3.1

Ref No	Organisation	Rationale for grant allocation
1	Bicentenary Pipe Band Championships	To assist with the cost of running the Pipe Band Championships in Helensburgh on Sunday 19 June. The committee has not purchased insurance to cover cancellation of the event as a result of inclement weather due to the high cost of the cover.
2	Cove and Kilcreggan Lunch Club	To support the Club to provide a greater range of activities (summer outing, Christmas Party and Christmas shopping trip) for their very elderly, often isolated members. The Club aims to work in partnership with Rosneath and Clynder Senior Citizens for the first time. While there is a relatively large population of elderly people in Cove & Kilcreggan, the number of members in the Club are slowly declining. The committee hopes the outings and Christmas party will help to attract new members.
3	Cove Sailing Club	A contribution towards the cost of providing a training programme in watersports and instruction on how to stay safe in the water to the 35 members of Cove & Kilcreggan Youth Club. Also, a contribution towards the cost of providing accredited training to 4 members of the Sailing Club and support for the Cove Sailing Club Annual Regatta (the commercial sponsor for the Regatta has pulled out this year).

4	Friends of Duchess Wood	A contribution towards the purchase of tools for work parties, as well as purchase and planting of trees and other equipment.
5	Gareloch Group - Riding for the Disabled Association	Contribution towards meeting the maintenance costs of the four horses the Group owns. Significant funding streams from The Robertson Trust, BBC Children in Need and Military Covenant come to an end in April 2016.
6	Helensburgh Addiction Rehabilitation Team	To help HART and partner organisations (ADDACTION, ABAT) provide childcare for parents who are isolated and on low income so they are able to access all the counselling, training and other services that are available to them to help them deal with their addiction/s. Childcare has been identified as a major barrier to parents with additions accessing support.
7	Helensburgh and District Men's Shed	To help the Group to establish itself within premises in the Pavilion in Hermitage Park. This will allow the Group to host regular meetings and drop-ins, provide opportunities for committee members and clients to access training and study visits to other Men's Sheds, and invite guest speakers to come to Helensburgh and help the Group promote the Shed and encourage new members to join.
8	Helensburgh Cricket and Rugby Football Club	A contribution towards the cost of supporting 75 young people, and 35 parents and volunteers, to attend a youth sports festival at the Kilbowie Outdoor Centre on Mull. A proportion of the young people would be unable to participate without financial support and the grant will help to ensure they are not excluded.
9	Helensburgh Music Society	To help the Society produce a programme of five concerts (one fewer than normal) with professional musicians in the Victoria Halls between October 2016-March 2016.

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10	Helensburgh Seafront Development Project	Contribution towards the cost of producing a feasibility study on HSDP's plans to install a walkway/wave-breaker to the west of the pier, dredge the east side and approach to the pier, encourage small craft and cruise ship liberty boats to come to a refurbished pierhead, create a sandy beach and install three pontoons.
11	Helensburgh Tree Conversation Trust	The Trust is under pressure by local residents to plant new trees in a number of streets in Helensburgh. The grant would help the Trust purchase 65 new, larger than standard, trees for Helensburgh, and plant and maintain them with support from around 100 volunteers and residents. It would also to purchase equipment that should help the Trust to protect the trees against vandalism and strimming.
12	Rosneath Peninsula Highland Games	A contribution towards the cost of providing the highland games. The committee has not purchased insurance to cover cancellation of the event as a result of inclement weather due to the high cost of the cover.
13	Rosneath Peninsula West Community Development Trust	A contribution towards the delivery costs for the new equipment for Craigmennie Park and a public opening celebration to involve a number of partners (including the Youth Café, Bowling Club and Cove Burgh Hall) to celebrate the Trust's and the community's achievement of raising in excess of £100,000 to refurbish the Park.
14	Route 81 Youth Project	A contribution towards the delivery of a summer programme of activities for young people, development of a new trainee youth worker scheme and provision of activities at 30 evening drop-in sessions at Centre 81 between September 2016-

- 3.2 Those organisations that have received TSG funding for the two preceding years or more are subject to a reduction on the 2015-16 allocations. This is to reduce applicants' dependency on Council grants, to mitigate against risks to the Council associated with event cancellations, and encourage applicants to explore other fundraising and income generation opportunities to help them become more sustainable at a time when TSG funding is being reduced.
- 3.3 Where possible, and if appropriate, new applicants should receive all or most of the amount requested (up to 50% total project costs), unless a very large amount of funding is sought.
- 3.4 Grants will only be awarded funding pending receipt of the correct paperwork; an approved finance check; and an End of Project monitoring form (if a grant was awarded in previous year).

4.0 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 All organisations have been contacted and grant applications assessed.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Policy: None
- 5.2 Financial: As per area budget allocation.
- 5.3 Legal: None
- 5.4 HR: None
- 5.5 Equalities Consistent with the Equal Opportunities policy of Argyll and Bute Council.
- 5.6 Risk: Monitoring of the process will minimise any risk to the Council
- 5.7 Customer Service: None

6.0 APPENDICES

None

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