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**THIRD SECTOR GRANTS 2016/17**


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**1.0 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 This report details recommendations for the award of Third Sector Grants to Third Sector organisations for Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands.
- 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 budget made available by the Council for allocation in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands for 2016/17 is £32,050 (including a carry forward of £550). A total of £26,720 was awarded by the Area Committee in April. Islay and Jura Highland Dancers returned funding of £780 which leaves a balance of £6,110 for allocation by the Committee in this round.
- 1.4 There was an excellent response from the community with 12 applications received. The total amount requested was substantially more than that available. Three applicants requesting large amounts of funding deferred their application until 2017. 9 applications are presented here for recommendation of award.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The 9 organisations listed below are awarded funding from the Third Sector Grants budget totalling £6,110.

Ref No	Organisation	Grant 14/15	Grant 15/16	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested	Recommendation 2016
1	3rd Argyll (1st Islay) Scout Group	new	New	£2,160	£1,160	£300
2	Argyll District Scouting	new	New	£4,265	£1,165	£300
3	Bowmore Lunch Bunch	new	New	£3,695	£1,160	£650
4	Kintyre Link Club	new	New	£1,603	£802	£700
5	Mid Argyll Arts Association	new	New	£3,250	£1,500	£1,000
6	Mid Argyll Chamber of Commerce	new	New	£6,433	£1,433	£1,000

Ref No	Organisation	Grant 14/15	Grant 15/16	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested	Recommendation 2016
7	PACT MAK	new	New	£2,025	£1,000	£750
8	South Kintyre Senior Citizens Committee	£720	£684	£2,520	£720	£410
9	Templar Arts and Leisure Centre	£2,000	£1,648	£12,000	£4,000	£1,000
Total available						<b>£6,110</b>
Recommendation						£6,110
Balance remaining						£0

*\*Events and Festivals*

### 3.0 DETAIL

Ref No	Organisation	Rationale for grant allocation
1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Argyll (1 <sup>st</sup> Islay) Scout Group	Towards the first ever Scout camp on Islay in March, attracting up to 150 children and young people, which is one of the few organised activities in the local area for boys aged 6-13 years.
1	Argyll District Scouting	Towards a weekend of scouting activities in September for 100 Cubs and 20 Explorers to bring young people of Argyll together and resource future young leaders with experience in running this event.
2	Bowmore Lunch Bunch	Towards costs for the lunch club for the elderly to stimulate and improve wellbeing and to bring in the other lunch clubs in the area to mutual advantage.
4	Kintyre Link Club	Towards the cost of preparing a permanent photographic exhibition in the Campbeltown hospital, undertaken by mental health service users.
5	Mid Argyll Arts Association	An animation workshop for young people as part of the Lantern parade activities in Lochgilphead.
6	Mid Argyll Chamber of Commerce	Towards community engagement and project support for the final leg of their Community Investment Plan and enable the long term social and economic objectives to be realised in an inclusive and transparent way.
7	PACT MAK	A programme of activities for people with learning or other disabilities to promote inclusion and learning.
8	South Kintyre Senior Citizens Committee	A contribution towards the Christmas voucher scheme for senior citizens in the South Kintyre area which helps alleviate hardship.
9	Templar Arts and Leisure Centre	Towards an innovative arts project with people with dementia and their carers in partnership with Age Scotland, culminating in an audio-visual work for the Luminare festival.

3.1 The following criteria have been considered by the Community Development Officer:

Those organisations that have received funding for the two previous years or more should not be awarded more than the amount they received in 2015/16 unless increased developmental aspects are detailed in the application. These repeat applicants may be subject to a 20% reduction on the previous year's allocation. This is to reduce applicants' dependency on Council grants and encourage fundraising and income generation initiatives.

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.

Grants are only awarded with 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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