

# Argyll & Bute Health & Social Care Partnership

## **Equality Impact Assessment (5)**

## Section 1: About the proposal

#### Title of Proposal

Reduction in Living Well grants spend.

#### Intended outcome of proposal

Reduction in spend while still supporting the delivery of the Living Well Strategy.

Reviewing model of grant funding delivery to ensure that value for money is achieved, alongside sustainable change and investment in community capacity building around self-management and prevention. We are seeking to develop approaches to partnership working which is intended to develop sustainable community capacity building models.

### **Description of proposal**

The Living Well Strategy covers a five-year period from 2019-2024. Self-management grants play a key role in delivery of the strategy; building capacity within communities through projects which meet the aims of Living Well. Community capacity building activity has been funded for the past three years and will continue to be funded in year four through the Living Well self-management grant fund. However, it is also recognised that grant funding alone is not sufficient to achieve quality projects that are sustainable and make lasting change in our communities. Evaluation and sustainability of the grant projects are two of the areas where further work is required. Addressing these through coproduction and professional advice is vital to ensuring that projects result in maximum value.

This proposal will meet budget saving request by reducing the total grant fund by £18k, to £28,100.

#### **HSCP Strategic Priorities to which the proposal contributes**

Efficiently and effectively manage all resources to deliver Best Value

Promote health and wellbeing across all our communities and age groups

Lead officer details	
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Appropriate officer details	
Name of appropriate officer	Alison McGrory
Job title	Health Improvement Principle
Department	Public Health

Sign-off of EIA	
Date of sign-off	11.3.22

#### Who will deliver the proposal?

## Section 2: Evidence used in the course of carrying out EIA

## Consultation / engagement

Feedback from those who have received grants is that they are vital for progressing community support, but that evaluation and sustainability of projects are the weakest areas.

Feedback from the Communities Health and Wellbeing fund (administered by the TSI) is that a co-productive approach to the grant process can strengthen applications and resulting projects.

#### Data

Living Well self-management grant fund for the previous years is as follows:

2019-2020 - £76,000

2020-2021 - £69,973

2021-22 - £46,100

2022-23 – Proposed £28,100 but with an increased focus on coproduction, evaluation & sustainability

#### Other information

N/A

## Gaps in evidence

The best approach for improving the grant process is not yet known. An options appraisal undertaken during the first quarter of 22/23 will result in a stronger grant process.

## **Section 3: Impact of proposal**

### Impact on service users:

	Negative	No impact	Positive	Don't know
Protected characteristics:				
Age		X		
Disability		X		
Ethnicity		X		
Sex		X		
Gender reassignment		X		
Marriage and Civil Partnership		X		
Pregnancy and Maternity		X		
Religion		X		
Sexual Orientation		X		
Fairer Scotland Duty:				
Mainland rural population		X		
Island populations		X		
Low income		X		
Low wealth		X		
Material deprivation		X		
Area deprivation		X		
Socio-economic background		X		
Communities of place		X		
Communities of interest		X		

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## **Section 5: Monitoring and review**

An options appraisal undertaken during the first quarter of 22/23 will result in a stronger grant process. The governance for this sits with the Living Well Steering Group, who will review and monitor progress. The Living Well steering group meets bi-monthly.