

**MINUTES of MEETING of HELENSBURGH & LOMOND AREA COMMITTEE held by MICROSOFT  
TEAMS  
on THURSDAY, 17 MARCH 2022**

**Present:** Councillor Aileen Morton (Chair)

Councillor Lorna Douglas	Councillor Gary Mulvaney
Councillor George Freeman	Councillor Gemma Penfold
Councillor Graham Hardie	Councillor Richard Trail
Councillor David Kinniburgh	

**Attending:** Shona Barton – Committee Manager  
Tom Murphy – Operations Manager  
Douglas Whyte – Housing Strategy Team Lead  
Kirsty Moyes – Community Development Team Lead  
David Rennie – Community Development Officer  
Colin Young – Strategic Transportation Delivery Officer

The Chair ruled, and the Committee agreed, to a variation in the order of business to facilitate officer attendance. The minute reflects the order in which items were discussed.

**1. APOLOGIES**

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Iain Paterson.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. MINUTES**

**(a) Minute of the Meeting of the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee held on Friday, 17 December 2021**

The Minute of the meeting of the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee held on Friday, 17 December 2021 was approved as a correct record.

**4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no members of the public in attendance at the meeting.

**5. POLICE SCOTLAND UPDATE**

The Committee gave consideration to a report which updated Members on Police Scotland's activities in the Helensburgh and Lomond area and noted that there were no Police Scotland representatives available to speak to the report due to conflicting operational requirements.

**Decision**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee noted the contents of the report.

(Reference: Report by Inspector Alan Heron, Police Scotland, dated 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022, submitted)

## 6. SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES FUND 2022/23

The Committee gave consideration to a report recommending the distribution of awards for the Council's Supporting Communities Fund (SCF) 2022/23 for the Helensburgh and Lomond area, the budget for which included the remaining funds from the Covid-19 Micro Grants Fund.

### Decision

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee agreed:

1. that £346.19 of returned funding from a previous Supporting Communities Fund award, as detailed at section 4.5 of the report, could be used for this round of funding; and
2. to award funding from the Supporting Communities Fund budget to 12 applicants, totalling £23,326.48, as follows:

Ref No	Applicant	Recommendation	Amount Requested	Award 2022/23
1	Project 81 Youth and Community Enterprise	Award	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
2	Garelochhead Station Trust	Award	£1,539.30	£1,539.30
3	Grey Matters Active Ageing	Award	£2,345.00	£2,345.00
4	Fun First	Award	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
5	Helensburgh Art Hub	Award with conditions	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
6	Garelochhead & Rosneath Peninsula Community First Responders	Award	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
7	Jean's Bothy	Award	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
8	Friends of Loch Lomond & The Trossachs	Award	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
9	Argyll & Bute Befrienders	Award	£614.00	£614.00
10	Males Tales	Award	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
11	Helensburgh Tree Conservation Trust	Award (partial award)	£2,500.00	£664.09
12	Cove & Kilcreggan Youth Café	Award (partial award)	£2,500.00	£664.09
Total Available		<b>£23,326.48</b>		
Total Awarded		<b>£23,326.48</b>		

(Reference: Report by Chief Executive, dated 21<sup>st</sup> February 2022, submitted)

## 7. AREA SCORECARD FQ3 2021/22

The Committee considered the Area Scorecard report for Financial Quarter 3 of 2021-2022 (October to December 2021), which illustrated the agreed performance measures.

## **Decision**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee:

1. noted and considered the performance and supporting commentary as presented in the report;
2. noted that upon receipt of the Quarterly Performance Report the Area Committee Members could contact either the Responsible Named Officer or the Performance Improvement Officer with any queries;
3. noted that work was ongoing and to respond to the Performance Improvement Officer with requests or comments regarding the layout and format of the Performance Report and Scorecard;
4. noted the requirement to amend the current report template; and
5. agreed that an amended report would be electronically circulated to Members for information and approval to meet the FQ4 2021/22 reporting deadline.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Customer Support Services, dated 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022, submitted)

## **8. ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES UPDATE**

The Committee gave consideration to a report which provided an update on the recent activities of Roads and Infrastructure Services and highlighted works being undertaken which were of relevance to the Helensburgh and Lomond area.

## **Decision**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee considered and noted the contents of the report.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services, dated March 2022, submitted)

## **9. HOUSING SERVICES ACTIVITY UPDATE - STRATEGIC HOUSING INVESTMENT PLAN (SHIP) - ANNUAL UPDATE**

The Committee gave consideration to a report which provided an update on the Housing Services activity and the delivery of the Local Housing Strategy within the Helensburgh and Lomond area.

## **Decision**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee considered and noted the contents of the report.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth, dated January 2022, submitted)

## **10. HELENSBURGH OUTDOOR MUSEUM - NOTIFICATION INCREASED GRANT AWARD**

A report advising of the decision of the Helensburgh Outdoor Museum Design Panel to approve an increase of the grant awarded to Gareloch One Design Class Association was before the Committee for noting.

### **Decision**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee noted the increase in the grant award to Gareloch One Design Class Association from £600.00 to £790.35.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth, dated 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022, submitted)

## **11. HELENSBURGH AND LOMOND AREA COMMITTEE WORKPLAN**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee Workplan as at March 2022 was before the Committee for noting.

### **Decision**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee noted the contents of the workplan.

(Reference: Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee Workplan, submitted)

## **12. HELENSBURGH, CARDROSS AND DUMBARTON CYCLEPATH UPDATE**

The Committee gave consideration to a report updating Members on the progress made since the previous report to the Committee on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 in relation to the delivery of a dedicated, high quality walking and cycle route linking Helensburgh, Cardross and Dumbarton.

The Committee resolved in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the press and public for discussion of appendix (c) in relation to the report on the grounds that it was likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

### **Decision**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee:

1. welcomed the opening of the route linking Cardross Station and Cardross Park;
2. noted the plan to complete works for the final section of the route in Cardross by early Summer 2022; and
3. noted the results of the community consultation on the proposed designs for the outstanding sections of the path.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth, dated 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022, submitted)

Councillor Freeman joined the meeting at 10:14am, during consideration of agenda item 12 (Helensburgh, Cardross and Dumbarton Cyclepath Update).

The Chair took the opportunity to thank everyone for their efforts over the current Council term. She conveyed her best wishes to those who were standing down and wished those

who were standing for re-election good luck. She also thanked all officers, and particularly Committee Services staff, for their efforts to support the Committee. These sentiments were echoed by the other Councillors.