

**THIRD SECTOR GRANTS 2013/14**

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**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 budget made available by the Council for allocation in Helensburgh and Lomond for 2013/14 is £35,000.
- 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 £4,000 should be carried forward for allocation at the Area Committee meeting in August.
- 1.6 Twenty three applications have been received, 3 of which are for Events and Festivals and two were ineligible for funding.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The 21 organisations listed below are awarded funding from the Third Sector Grants budget, as per the table below.
- 2.2 Those organisations that have received funding for two years or more should not be awarded more than the amount they received in 2012/13 unless increased developmental aspects are detailed in the application.
- 2.3 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.
- 2.4 Grants will only be awarded pending receipt of the correct paperwork; an approved financial check; and an End of Project monitoring form (if a grant was awarded in previous year).

Ref No	Organisation	Grant Award 11/12	Grant Award 12/13	Total Project Costs	Amount Requested	Recommendation
3.1	*Bicentenary Pipe Band Championships	£3,800	£4,000	£12,000	£6,000	£4,000
3.2	Cove and Kilcreggan Lunch Club	£1,036	£600	£1,368	£680	£450
3.3	Dumbarton and District Branch – MS Society	£600	£1,400	£3,668	£1,834	£1,050
3.4	Gareloch Branch –Riding for Disabled (RDA)	£450	£3,500	£10,108	£4,500	£2,625
3.5	Gibson Hall, Garelochhead	£1,438	£1,300	£5,700	£2,885	£975
3.6	Helensburgh & Lomond Highland Games	N/A	£4,000	£11,258	£4,000	£4,000
3.7	*Helensburgh Addiction Rehabilitation Team – Women’s Group	N/A	N/A	£2,376	£1,188	£1,070
3.8	Helensburgh Community Woodlands Group	NA	NA	£780	£390	£390
3.9	Helensburgh Amateur Athletics	N/A	N/A	£4,020	£2,010	£1,810
3.10	Helensburgh and Lomond Youth Forum	£500	£140	£1,455	£655	£105
3.11	Helensburgh Cricket & Rugby Football Club	£4,000	N/A	£10,200	£3,700	£2,775
3.12	Helensburgh Orchestral Society	N/A	N/A	£2,340	£910 (across two areas)	£410 (from each area)
3.13	Helensburgh Savoy Musical Club	£1,000	£1,500	£12,200	£2,200	£1,125
3.14	Argyll & Bute Youth Forum	N/A	N/A	£4,000	£1,000 (across 4 areas)	£250 (from each area)
3.15	NVA	N/A	N/A	£3,600	£1,800	£1,620
3.16	Rosneath and Clynder Senior Citizens Association	£500	£350	£2,340	£1,000	£260
3.17	Rosneath Peninsula Amenity Society	N/A	N/A	£650	£325	£290
3.18	*Rosneath Peninsula Highland Games	£5,100	£4,000	£8,000	£4,000	£4,000
3.19	Route 81 Youth Project	£1,000	N/A	£6,780	£2,500	£2,250
3.20	Royal British Legion Scotland Helensburgh & District	£527	£452	£834	£414	£0
3.21	The Luss and Arden Community Development Trust	N/A	N/A	£1,200	£600	£540
				<b>Total</b>		£35,000
				<b>Total Recommended</b>		£29,995
				<b>Balance</b>		£5,005

*\*Events and Festivals*

### 3.0 DETAIL

	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Rationale for grant allocation</b>
3.1	Bicentenary Pipe Band Championships	The funding is required for the annual running costs of this high profile event. The event has been running successfully for 11 years. This is due largely to amount of work carried out by the volunteer committee.
3.2	Cove and Kilcreggan Lunch Club	The funding is required for the provision of a lunch and social activities for rurally isolated senior citizens. The club targets seniors that are considered 'housebound' and provides transport to and from the club and events
3.3	Dumbarton and District Branch - MS Society	The funding is required as a contribution towards the on-going running costs/transport of the branch's Drop-in centre at Braeholm, Helenburgh which provides a flexible respite facility for both carers and persons with MS.
3.4	Gareloch Branch - Riding for Disabled (RDA)	The funding is required towards the costs of insurance and livery costs for 2 specially trained horses enabling people with a wide range of disabilities to take part in competitions and achieve personal goals
3.5	Gibson Hall, Garelochhead	The funding is required towards the cost of hosting 2 social events, 4 quiz nights and 2 children's events. The funding will enable the hall to offer these activities at a reduced cost which will encourage all sections of the community to take part. The area is recognised as suffering high deprivation
3.6	Helensburgh & Lomond Highland Games	The funding is required for the running costs of hosting this highly prestigious event. The range of participants is increasing each year and the event has a history of bringing in a large number of visitors to the area.
3.7	Helensburgh Addiction Rehabilitation Team - Womens Group	The funding is required to support a vulnerable group of women who would like to undertake various activities including visits to other groups that would enhance independence and wellbeing. The group want to market and promote the group in order to encourage membership.
3.8	Helensburgh Community Woodlands Group	The funding is for half of the costs of an independent valuation of the land. The group have prepared a draft management plan for Castle Woods are preparing a major funding application to the Armed Forces Community Covenant Fund. As part of this they need to obtain an independent valuation.
3.9	Helensburgh Amateur Athletics	The funding will provide extra training sessions for the juniors, access to coaching qualifications and a Juniors Awards night The funding will help address the large number (90) of juniors on their waiting list.
3.10	Helensburgh and Lomond Youth Forum	The funding is required towards the costs of a 4 week summer programme of activities for 32 young people. These will include entrance into M&D's, the Safari park, Waterfront and 10pin bowling.
3.11	Helensburgh Cricket & Rugby Football Club	The funding is required towards the salary costs of a Rugby Development officer post. This is the final year of a 3 year project which provides coaching sessions to local Primary and Secondary schools. The organisation has secured extensive funding to continue the established Primary and Secondary School rugby development programme.

3.12	Helensburgh Orchestral Society	The funding is required to deliver an outreach programme of two concerts in Arrochar and Dunoon. The organisation has carried out feasibility studies in each area and identified appropriate partners within these communities. This would give members of the organisation the opportunity to increase their skills and bring music to local communities.
3.13	Helensburgh Savoy Musical Club	The funding is towards the running costs of Cole Porter's production of 'Anything Goes'. The organisation has a long history of putting on well attended productions targeting a wide cross section of the community. The organisation improves the skills of all of its members including children and adults. The production is expected to attract up to 2000 people.
3.14	Argyll & Bute Youth Forum	The funding is required to host an Argyll & Bute event to celebrate youth achievement. It will be held in Oban but will include young people from all areas of Argyll and Bute. The committee is made up of young people working in partnership with other agencies.
3.15	NVA	The funding is for the purchase of equipment for the Kilmahew Productive Garden. The group want to establish the site as a communal growing space where people and volunteers come together to learn growing skills, share produce, and learn about the site and enjoy the old Walled Garden space. The organisation has delivered 3 events on site which has enthused all sections of the local community
3.16	Rosneath and Clynder Senior Citizens Association	The funding is to provide a 'Spring lunch' and social outings and entertainment in Summer and Winter.
3.17	Rosneath Peninsula Amenity Society	The funding is required to pay for Broadband internet access for Cove library which will help alleviate rural deprivation and give residents the opportunity to improve their skills. The grant is also required to contribute towards addressing the problem of Knotweed in the area, the eradication of which will improve the experience of both residents and visitors to the area
3.18	Rosneath Peninsula Highland Games	The funding is required for the running costs of this high profile event. The event attracts between 1000 to 2000 people including a high proportion of visitors.
3.19	Route 81 Youth Project	The funding is for the provision of a variety of outdoor activities for young people. The aim is to integrate young people from armed forces backgrounds with those from non-armed forces in the local community. The project builds capacity and self-confidence in young people
3.20	Royal British Legion Scotland Helensburgh & District	A grant awarded in 2012 for the same event had projected costs of £904, and actual cost of £461. The award therefore paid for the whole cost of the event when criteria states that funding is up to 50% of costs. Rather than the group returning the underspend the recommendation is for the group to carry over the balance to the 2013, and not award a grant this year.
3.21	The Luss and Arden Community Development Trust	The funding is required for a pilot project of storytelling workshops for the children of Luss, Rhu and Arrochar Primary Schools and the wider community. The anticipation is that community storytelling will become an annual event in the area attracting both visitors and locals.

#### **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**

6.1 Officer assessment reports submitted.

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