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**ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**

**Mid Argyll and the Islands  
Area Committee: Special Committee**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVES UNIT**

**24 APRIL 2019**

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## **SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES FUND 2019/20**

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### **2.0 INTRODUCTION**

- 2.1 The report details recommendations for the award of the Supporting Communities Fund to Third Sector organisations for Mid Argyll and the Islands.
- 2.2 Applications are considered once a year. This is intended to ensure allocation of the full budget at one meeting and enable organisations to have the maximum amount of time within the financial year to utilise the funds.
- 2.3 The total Supporting Communities Fund budget made available by the Council for allocation in Mid Argyll and the Islands for 2019/20 is £24,500. In addition, there is a carry forward from the financial period 2018/19 of £1,369 from returned grant funding making a 28

## 4.0 DETAIL

- 4.1 The applicants are listed in alphabetical order in Table 1 below. The applicants recommended for award of funding are indicated by the recommended award shown. Unsuccessful applicants are marked 'no award'.
- 4.2 40 eligible applications were received in Mid Argyll and the Islands. The process of scoring applications against criteria remains the same as in previous years of the fund. 15 projects of the 40 projects listed are recommended to receive funding.
- 4.3 Applicants can receive full funding of their project up to a maximum of £2,500. It may be the case that some projects have an element of reliance upon other funds. Delivery of any project funded will be monitored in the same way as previous years and so any spend not incurred will be returned.
- 4.4 Information on resources and training available to support organisations looking for alternative funding will be given to groups which are not recommended for an award.

**Table 1 – Grant Recommendations**

Ref No	Organisation	Grant 18/19	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested	Recommendation 2019
1	ACT - Argyll & the Isles Coast & Countryside Trust	N/A	£2,912.53	£2,500.00	£1,254
2	Blarbuie Woodland Enterprise	£1,760	£2,500.00	£2,500.00	No award
3	Campbeltown Christmas Lights Group*	N/A	£3,100.00	£2,500.00	No award
4	Campbeltown Unit Sea Cadets	N/A	£5,000.00	£2,000.00	No award
5	Craignish Village Hall	N/A	£3,675.00	£2,429.00	No award
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19	Jura Development Trust (2)	n/a	£2,500.00	£2,500.00	No award
20	Jura Sports Group (MUGA)	N/A	£5,000.00	£2,500.00	No award
21	Jura Village Hall	N/A	£3,674.00	£2,500.00	£1,012
22	Kintyre Seaports*	£1,700	£2,105.00	£1,055.00	£1,055
23	Kintyre Six Circle Group	£878	£4,350.00	£2,000.00	No award

**Table 2 – Rationale for Grant Application**

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Rationale for Grant Allocation</b>
1	ACT - Argyll & the Isles Coast & Countryside Trust	Moving On sessions to maintain continuity of activities for participants of 'Branching Out' aimed at those affected by mental health and also to invite new participants.
8	Heart of Argyll Wildlife Organisation	Creation and delivery of new teaching materials to support oyster bed restoration project, and involve schools.
10	Inveraray Senior Citizens	Running costs to free up

5.2 The recommendations made fully allocate the funding available for financial year 2019/2020.

## **6.0 IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 Policy: None

6.2 Financial: As per area budget allocation

6.3 Legal: None

6.4 HR: None

6.5 Fairer Scotland Duty: The Supporting Communities Fund contributes to tackling poverty, reducing inequality and building a fairer and more inclusive Scotland.

6.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics: Consistent with the Equal Opportunities policy of Argyll & Bute Council.

6.5.2 Socio-economic Duty: None known

6.5.3 Islands: 12 of the projects are island based, of which 4 have been put forward for award, covering 3 islands.

6.6 Risk: Monitoring of the process will minimise any risk to the Council.

6.7 Customer Service: None

## **7.0 APPENDICES**

7.1 Table 3 No Grant Recommendation

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Appendix 1

**Table 3 – No Grant Recommendation**

Ref	Organisation	Not Recommended for Grant Allocation
2	Blarbuie Woodland Enterprise	Professionally led exercise sessions for the outdoor gym at Blarbuie Woods, encouraging new users to start using it
3	Campbeltown Christmas Lights Group	Christmas Lights

Argyll Community Pool.      volunteers to aid sustainability and recruitment.