
ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

HELENSBURGH AND LOMOND AREA COMMITTEE

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

12th MARCH 2024

SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES FUND - Monitoring of Projects Funded

2.0 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 This report highlights the positive outcomes for communities in Helensburgh and Lomond through the allocation of the Council's Supporting Communities Fund (SCF) in the 2022/23.
- 2.2 A total of £23,326.48 was awarded to 12 organisations in 2022/23. Organisations have up to two months from the end of the project to complete and return a project monitoring report.
- 2.3 A total of £1,675.50 in unspent funds has been returned.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee:

- 3.1 Note and consider the positive contribution of the Supporting Communities Fund detailed in section 4 and the attached table.
- 3.2 Note that a total of £1,675.50 in total has been returned, and agree this be included in the distribution of the SCF for 2024/25.

4.0 DETAIL

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				busy A82 tourist corridor. A great collaboration between public sector agencies, local communities, businesses and volunteers and making a major positive impact	
4	Fun First	staff costs and venue hire for the provision of a six week programme of art and mindfulness workshops	£2,500.00	This funding provided a partnership opportunity with Albatross Arts who planned and delivered a creative programme. Our service in Garelochhead has also continued to successfully operate. We have continually assessed our service provision during the period of funding to ensure we are reaching those in need, but ensuring best value in terms of the increasing cost to deliver the service. We managed to extend the service to Rosneath for a short period of time.	
5	Garelochhead & Rosneath Peninsula Community First Responders	replacement pads and batteries for 16 defibrillators	£2,500.00	Batteries and pads ensured that 12 defibrillators were upgraded and in full working order and 6 batteries ensured that 6 defibrillators had full extended life and were in full working order. These defibrillators are scattered across the Rosneath Peninsula and Garelochhead area and are based in primary schools, bowling clubs, village centres, and small pockets of housing.	
6	Garelochhead Station Trust	Provision of a monthly film club, room and equipment hire, licence to show films, hire of films and hospitality	£1,539.30	Unfortunately, due to the age of the equipment we were unable to start the film group. However, we have been successful in hosting social events that have had a positive impact on the mental wellbeing of the members. The feedback from these events has been the learning of new skills and the establishment of new friendships and support groups.	
7	Grey Matters Active Ageing	2 Gardening workshops, bulbs and seed packs, coco potting compost, biodegradable pots, gardening gloves and mini trowels.	£2,345.00	We met the aims of the project and more.	



