

**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 Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands.
- 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 Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands for 2013/14 is £35,000. At the April Committee a total of £32,498 was awarded to 30 organisations, leaving a remaining balance of £2,502
- 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 Five applications have been received, one of which is for Events and Festivals.
- 1.6 The award of £640 made to Springbank Evangelical Church in April, will not be taken up as the Furniture Recycling Project has come to an end. (See attached letter).

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The 5 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).

2.5 Elected Members are asked to consider whether the refund of £640 should be reallocated to existing applicants, or should be treated as a budget saving.

Ref No	Organisation	Grant Award 2011/12	Grant Award 2012/13	Total Project Costs	Amount Requested	Recommendation
3.1	Argyll and Lochaber Branches of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society*	No	No	£4,942	£792 (application to 4 areas)	£75
3.2	Artmap Argyll	No	£1,900	£14,200	£1,500	£1,500
3.3	Blarbuie Woodland Enterprise Ltd	£550	£600	£1,200	£600	£568
3.4	Girlguiding Argyll Training	£480	£658 (£400 from MAKI)	£4,300	£2,300 (application to 3 areas)	£130
3.5	Tarbert After School Care	No	No	£1,439	£719	£229
					<b>Remaining balance</b>	£2,502
					<b>Total Recommended</b>	£2,502
					<b>Balance</b>	£0

*\*Events and Festivals*

### 3.0 DETAIL

Ref No	Organisations	Comments
3.1	Argyll and Lochaber Branches of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society	Assistance towards the running cost of the 90 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary dance in Oban. All four areas of Argyll and Bute are being asked for a contribution as members of local clubs will travel from across Argyll and Bute. Subsequent to receipt of application the group have received a grant of £500 from the Provost Fund. The balance now required is £292 across all four areas.
3.2	Artmap Argyll	Funding as a follow up to last year's successful arts programme for local people and tourists to access arts and to learn about the environment. Several outdoor venues will be chosen to locate artwork in open spaces, natural habitat and pathways adjoining the Crinan Canal which it is hoped will attract up to 700 people.

3.3	Blarbuie Woodland Enterprise Ltd	Training for volunteers to allow them to operate strimmers and other machinery in order to maintain the woodlands and sustain the health walks
3.4	Girlguiding Argyll Training	Annual County training for Girl guide leaders to ensure that the Girl guiding programme is delivered in the three areas, excluding Helensburgh and Lomond. The training weekend is a good opportunity to disseminate information and share ideas. Costs include travel, accommodation and training.
3.5	Tarbert After School Care	To provide movable equipment for indoor activity sessions and to encourage children to keep fit which in turn will prevent concerns of obesity in children. The organisation is in receipt of a grant for the running costs of the project, They can also access funding from the Childcare partnership for training. They have been advised to apply to the Childcare Partnership for funding for the proposed training.

#### **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 Letter dated 6 June 13 – Springbank Evangelical Church

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