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17 MARCH 2022

SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES FUND 2022/23

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1

Communities Fund (SCF) for Helensburgh and Lomond.

1.2 The total Supporting Communities Fund budget made available by the Council for allocation in Helensburgh and Lomond for distribution in 2022/23 is £23,326.48.

1.3 It is recommended that 12 applicants are awarded funding.

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have 18 months in which to spend the funds.

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2.0 INTRODUCTION

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Communities Fund (SCF). The total Supporting Communities Fund budget made available by the Council for allocation in Helensburgh and Lomond for 2022/23 is £22,500. In addition, there are unspent funds returned from the financial period 2019/20 of £346.19. A further sum of £480.29 remaining from the Covid-19 Micro Grants Fund has been allocated to the Helensburgh and Lomond Supporting Communities Fund for distribution in 2022/2023. The total available for allocation is £23,326.48.

2.2 Organisations applying to the fund were able to request up to £2,500 and the period of spend is 18 months.

2.3 The SCF is a popular fund and has attracted 12 applications from the Helensburgh and Lomond area, requesting a total of £26,998.30 in funding.

2.4 Applications are scored against criteria set out in the guidance (<https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/council-and-government/third-sector-grants>)

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3.2 Members are asked to agree that 12 applications are awarded funding from the Supporting Communities Fund budget totalling £23,326.48. These are listed in order of assessment score in Appendix 1 and details of the projects are noted in the same order in Appendix 2.

4.0 DETAIL

4.1 The SCF is marked through a robust process which involves financial checks and contact with the applicant to verify any information where required. All applicants need to provide satisfactory essential information on governance and finance to be eligible for further assessment. The scoring is based on a set of criteria outlined

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5.0 CONCLUSION

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Appendix 1 – Assessment Score and Recommendations

* Project recommended to receive the remaining £480.29 from the Covid-19 Micro Grants Fund

Appendix 2 –

Project Summary:
During Lockdown Grey Matters
worked well and they

applications pending to support remaining costs. The group will use SCF to fund signage and litter awareness posters and publicity, and some funding will be used towards the co-ordination and monitoring of the litter

their beauty, seasonal change and aesthetic qualities. Community engagement will take place once they have secured the funding to contract the work. The request is for £2.5k of a £3.75k estimated c