

City of Edinburgh Council Leadership Advisory Panel

Communities and Families Grants to Third Parties Programme – Extension of Awards for 2020-21

Item number
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1. Recommendations

- 1.1 The Leadership Advisory Panel is asked to:
 - 1.1.1 Note that the Education Children and Families Committee agreed to extend current grant awards at its meeting on 3rd March.
 - 1.1.2 Note that this extension period will finish on 31st August 2020.
 - 1.1.3 Approve the transfer of award from Gorgie City Farm to Love Learning covering the extension period.

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2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 This report contains details of the extension period for current awards as agreed by the Executive Director of Communities and Families, in consultation with the Convenor and Vice-Convenor and the reason for transferring an award to Love Learning.

3. Background

- 3.1 In March 2020 the Education, Children and Families Committee considered a report with award recommendations for a new Grant Programme. The Committee agreed to continue consideration of the report and to extend current grants awards. The motion agreed did not contain a date for these extensions.
- 3.2 In October 2019 Gorgie City Farm went into voluntary liquidation. Love Learning has taken on the site and is seeking the transfer of the remaining award to support activity on the farm.

4. Main report

Extension of awards

- 4.1 The new 3rd Party Grants Programme 2020-23 opened in September 2019 and invited applications from organisations clearly focused on delivering outcomes against one of five identified priorities linked to the Integrated Children's Service Plan. The programme closed for application on 22nd November 2019.
- 4.2 Assessment of applications was undertaken between December 2019 and February 2020 by officers from across Communities and Families. A report containing award recommendations was considered by the Education, Children and Families Committee on 3rd March 2020.
- 4.3 The committee agreed to continue to consider the report and set up a short life working group to consider a number of issues and prepare a further report for the

committee meeting in May. The motion agreed also contained an agreement to extend current awards however this did not stipulate the length of the extension.

- 4.4 In order for organisations to plan services and manage their finances, as well as for officers to send out extension letters and funding agreement to recipient organisations, it is necessary to get an agreed extension period.
- 4.5 Following discussion at the short life working group, the Executive Director of Communities and Families, in consultation with the Convenor and Vice-Convenor, with all-party support, agreed to extend current awards to 31st August 2020 as this gives a minimum of three months' notice to current award holders following any decision by committee in May.

Transfer of award

- 4.6 Gorgie City Farm notified the council in late October 2019 that it was going into voluntary liquidation. Officers have worked with the liquidator to identify a new organisation to take up the tenancy of the Gorgie Farm site and Love learning to occupation of the site in late January 2020.
- 4.7 Council agreed that the fourth quarter instalment of the grant to Gorgie City Farm could be used to facilitate the process of identifying a new bidder from the organisations who had expressed an interest and reopening Gorgie City Farm. Payments have been made to ensure that the liquidator had sufficient funding to pay the costs of keeping animals on site.
- 4.8 Love Learning as the new occupants are proposing to deliver similar activities to those delivered by Gorgie City Farm and it therefore proposed that the award is transferred to Love Learning for the period of the extension (1st April 2020 to 31st August 2020).

5. Next Steps

- 5.1 Each grant recipient will be required to complete a funding agreement that details SMART targets to be achieved by the organisation within the funding period. The achievement of these targets will contribute to an identified Strategic Aim within the Integrated Children's Services Plan.

6. Financial impact

- 6.1 The value for the grant award extensions recommended in appendix 1 is £1,148,252 for the Main Grant Programme and £176,667 for the Youth Work Grant programme.

7. Stakeholder/Community Impact

- 7.1 The funding of activity by third parties through grant aid contributes to the Council's delivery of its Equality Act 2010 duty to seek to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and to advance equality and foster good relations.
- 7.2 The awarding of grants to third parties enables the Council to meet Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 Public Bodies Duties as well as contributing to the city's Sustainable Edinburgh 2020 objectives

8. Background reading/external references

- 8.1 [2020/23 Communities and Families Grants to Third Parties Programme Report March 2020](#)
- 8.2 [Approved Coalition Motion Grants to Third Party Organisations 2020-2023 3rd-March 2020](#)

9. Appendices

- 9.1 Appendix 1 – Award Extension Values

Appendix 1

Extension of Communities & Families Grants to Third Parties 2020-21

MAIN GRANT AWARDS	VALUE
Broomhouse Centre	6,585
Children 1st - Edinburgh Supporting Families	36,356
CIRCLE - Haven/ISSEP	57,213
Citadel - Families Project	14,375
Citadel Youth Centre - Community Based Youth Work Service	30,833
Clan Childlaw	6,042
Bright Light Counselling	6,516
Craigmillar Books for Babies	3,819
Crossreach - Perinatal Depression Services Lothian	4,792
Dr Bells Family Centre - Community Creche	19,635
Dunedin Canmore - Youth Project	2,782
Edinburgh City Youth Café - 6VT Drop In Services	12,917
Edinburgh Women's Aid - CEDAR Project	16,690
EVOC (East Holiday Programme)	11,458
FABB Scotland	14,665
Family Mediation	13,854
Firsthand - Children with Disabilities Family Support	9,583
Firsthand - Early Years	27,891
Friends of the award	5,742
Love Learning (Award formally made to Gorgie City Farm)	45,506
Home Link - Volunteer	18,516
Home Start - Leith & North East Edinburgh	41,563
Home Start - West & South West	20,060
HOT - Alcohol Support/Emotional Health/Turn Around	57,610

Jack Kane Centre Comm Wing - 208 Youth State	28,150
Kindred	5,376
LGBT - Youth Scotland	11,472
Lothian Association of Youth Clubs	20,874
Lothian Autistic	13,750
Men in Childcare	13,397
Move On - Youth and Community Skills Programme	7,292
Muirhouse Youth Development Group	34,127
Multi-Cultural Family Base - Early Years' Service	25,978
Multi-Cultural Family Base (4 Corner)	11,398
One Parent Families Scotland - Lone Fathers	14,729
Pilmenny Development Project - Youth Work Services	13,441
Pilmenny Youth Centre	9,042
Pilton Community Health Project	9,716
Pilton Youth and Children's Project - Intensive Support	32,544
Place2be	19,412
Project Scotland	10,110
Rock Trust	6,875
Royal Zoological Society - Conservation Kids	13,749
Royston Wardieburn Community Centre - Breakfast Club	10,781
RUTS	4,780
Safe Families for Scotland - Edinburgh	13,750
Saheliya - Children in Mind	7,708
ScoreScotland	15,833
Sikh Sanjog	8,432
SLEEP Scotland	4,664
Smart Play Network - Play Plus Toy Library	4,214

Speech Language Communication Company	8,542
Stepping Stones (North East)	34,764
Strange Town	11,875
Sure Start Edinburgh	19,003
The Big Project	10,625
The Junction - Nested Provision	38,834
The Ripple	42,170
The Yard - Early Years	25,937
The Yard - Main	32,598
Venture Scotland - Journey 2 Change	13,417
Venture Trust - Inspiring Young Futures in Edinburgh	9,188
West Granton Community Trust - The Prentice Centre	18,333
Wester Hailes Youth Agency	14,288
WHALE	12,083
	1,148,252
YOUTH WORK AWARDS	
Canongate Youth	36,129
The BIG Project	2,139
Edinburgh City Youth Café	9,796
Citadel Youth Centre	39,596
Pilton Youth & Children's Project	40,058
West Hailes Youth Agency	20,877
ScoreScotland	14,005
WHALE Arts Agency	14,067
	176,667