



North Ayrshire
Community Planning Partnership

Irvine Locality Partnership

**Wednesday 18 September 2019, 6.00 p.m. Fullarton Community Hub,
Irvine KA12 8DF**

BUSINESS

Item	Subject	Pg No	Ref	Officer
1.	Welcome/Apologies/Declarations of Interest	-	-	Cllr Burns
2.	Action Note Review the action note and deal with any outstanding items.	Pg 3	Enclosed	Cllr Burns
3.	Children 1st Receive update from Kirsty Aitken, Service Manager - Children and Families (Ayrshire), Children 1 st .	-	Presentation	Kirsty Aitken
4.	Ayrshire Growth Deal Receive update from George Hunter, Senior Manager (Tourism & Coastal Economy) on the work of the Ayrshire Growth Deal.	-	Verbal	George Hunter
5.	Digital Strategy Receive update from Denise Fraser, Digital Officer on the Digital Strategy for Irvine.	-	Presentation	Denise Fraser
STANDING AGENDA ITEMS				
6.	Locality Officer/Community Rep Update	Pg 10	Enclosed	Elaine Baxter Community Reps
7.	HSCP Receive update from Scott Bryan.	-	Verbal	Scott Bryan
8.	Youth Forum Update Receive update from Justin Jones.	-	Verbal	Justin Jones
OTHER BUSINESS – DECISION REQUIRED				
9.	Grants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nurturing Excellence 	Pg 15	Enclosed	Rosemary Fotheringham
10.	CIF Expression of Interest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Castlepark and Eglinton Community Association; 	Pg 19	Enclosed	Elaine Baxter

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OTHER BUSINESS – TO INFORM LOCALITY PLANNING				
11.	AOCB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provost Awards 2020 			Cllr Burns Lesley Forsyth
Date of Next Meeting: Monday 9 December 2019 at Dreghorn Fire Station				

Distribution List

Elected Members

Councillor Marie Burns (**Chair**)
Councillor Ian Clarkson
Councillor John Easdale
Councillor Robert Foster
Councillor Scott Gallacher
Councillor Margaret George
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Councillor Shaun Macaulay
Councillor Louise McPhater
Councillor Angela Stephen

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Sylvia Mallinson (**Vice Chair**)
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Justin Jones
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Ian Wallace

CPP/Council Representatives

Kenny Hankinson, Senior Lead Officer
Jim McHarg, Lead Officer
Scott Bryan, HSCP
Charlie Tymon, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
David Cameron, Police Scotland
Elaine Baxter, Locality Officer
Denise Fraser, Digital Participation Officer

Meeting:	Irvine Locality Partnership
Date/Venue:	19 June 2019 at Dreghorn Fire Station, Dreghorn, Irvine at 6.00 p.m.
Present:	<p>Councillor Marie Burns (Chair) Provost Ian Clarkson Councillor Robert Foster Councillor Christina Larsen Councillor Shaun MacAulay Councillor Louise McPhater</p> <p>Kenny Hankinson, Senior Lead Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Jim McHarg, Lead Officer, North Ayrshire Council David Cameron, Police Scotland</p> <p>Sylvia Mallinson, Community Representative (Vice-Chair) Donna Fitzpatrick, Community Representative Annie Small, Community Representative Barbara Connor, Third Sector Interface Denise Fraser, Digital Participation Officer David Dunlop, Community Representative David Bell, Community Representative Janice Murray, Interim Community Representative Ian Wallace, Community Representative Peter Marshall, Community Representative</p> <p>Audrey Sutton, Head of Service (Connected Communities) NAC Scott Bryan, Team Manager (HSCP), NAC Angela Little, Committee Services, North Ayrshire Council</p>
Also Present:	<p>Kate Cuthbert, Active Travel Zoe Ferguson, Carnegie Trust UK</p>
Apologies:	Councillor Scott Gallacher

ACTIONS

No.	Action	Responsible
1.	<p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>The Chair welcomed those present to the Irvine Locality Partnership meeting and apologies for absence were noted.</p> <p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>In terms of Standing Order 11, Sylvia Mallinson declared an interest in the late grant application from Break a Leg Drama Group and left the meeting for that item of business.</p>	

<p>4.</p>	<p>Rivergate Shopping Centre</p> <p>Discussion took place on the range of issues, including anti-social behaviour at Rivergate Shopping Centre, alcohol culture, safe activities for young people, mental health issues and work by youth services with young people.</p> <p>The Partnership agreed (a) that a Sub Group be established to examine this area in more detail, explore the options available and realistic outcomes; (b) a report from the Campus Cops be provided to the first meeting of the Sub Group; and (c) that those interested in participating in the Group contact Jim McHarg.</p>	<p><i>All interested parties</i></p> <p><i>J. McHarg</i></p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Air Pollution at Irvine Cross</p> <p>Audrey Sutton provided an update on air pollution at Irvine Cross.</p> <p>Automatic air quality monitoring equipment will be reinstated and operational by the end of July. The 2019 Air Quality Annual Progress Report is currently being compiled and will be submitted to the Scottish Government by the end of June. It would appear that following the introduction of Euro VI engine buses, NO2 levels have reduced and that levels will reduce further once the public realm works are completed and bus stops are relocated to other areas of the High Street.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p>Food Development</p> <p>Jim McHarg, Lead Officer advised of a successful participatory food event that involved 400-500 people. The Poverty food Commission Officer will focus on food with dignity and a new officer will take food development forward.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p>Digital Irvine</p> <p>Denise Fraser, Digital Participation Officer provided a presentation on Digital Irvine, which highlighted:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is available; • First steps; • National framework at local level; • SCVO aims to get organisations onboard; • Across the divide report 2013; • Irvine locality approach; • Starting point; • Raising awareness; and • One stop information source. 	

	<p>The Partnership discussed:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ digital mapping that is required to find out what is going on in the community and an asset mapping exercise that had already been undertaken; ➤ a backlog of people wanting to learn digital skills; and ➤ volunteer network of buddies in libraries. <p>Noted.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p>Social Isolation</p> <p>Zoe Ferguson, Carnegie Trust UK provided a presentation on tackling social isolation and loneliness. She gave details of a creative conversation event that took place on 16 May 2019 and examined:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why people are lonely; • Addressing those factors; and • Bridging the gap. <p>Audrey Sutton advised that a further meeting will be held next week and any suggestions or ideas would be welcomed.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	<p><i>All Members</i></p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>Locality Officer/Community Representative Update</p> <p>Jim McHarg, Lead Officer provided an update on progress made by the Team in the Irvine area, which included:-</p> <p><u>CLD Priorities</u> Youth Provision, Police Scotland youth volunteers, multi-agency Irvine Night of action, Town Centre Initiative, Adult Learning Working Group, Greenwood Academy, Literacy Support and Asset Transfer of Dunlop Memorial Hall.</p> <p><u>Employment and the Economy</u> Activity Agreement Programme, roots into employment support and Digital Participation Officer.</p> <p><u>Mental Health</u> Irvine New Town Men’s Shed, Harbourside Men’s Shed, Irvine Seniors Forum, Inclusion Learning and Nurture Programme and North Ayrshire Pride Group.</p> <p><u>Fair for All</u> Redburn Breakfast Club, Wrap, Fun and Run, food Participatory Budget, Children 1st and Community Link Workers.</p>	

	<p><u>Nurturing Excellence in Communities Fund - Late Applications</u></p> <p>Irvine Royal Academy Parent Council - The Group have applied for £1,500 towards the costs of creating a Memorial Garden.</p> <p>The Partnership discussed the agreed ceiling of £1,000 for grants from this fund, commenting that other schools have experienced loss similar to Irvine Royal Academy and some schools have fundraised and achieved half the required amount for similar projects.</p> <p>Councillor Foster offered his support and woodworking skills to help in the creation of a memorial bench.</p> <p>The Partnership agreed to award the group £750.</p> <p><u>Break a Leg Drama Group</u> - The Partnership were advised that further information is required to fully assess the application.</p> <p>The Partnership agreed to delegate authority to the Lead Officer to award the group £1,500 on receipt of a satisfactory officer's report.</p> <p><u>Elderly Grants Indicator</u></p> <p>The Partnership noted the elderly grant allocation for the towns within the Partnership area.</p>	<p><i>J. McHarg</i></p> <p><i>J. McHarg</i></p>
<p>12.</p>	<p>Membership Discussion</p> <p>No discussion took place.</p>	
<p>13.</p> <p>13.1</p>	<p>Any Other Competent Business</p> <p>Irvine Neighbourhood Youth Forum</p> <p>David Dunlop provided an update on the work of the Youth Forum that included:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly Primary School aged discos; • Fortnightly Community Saturday morning Breakfast Club; • Residential Youth Festival on 23 – 24 July 2019 at Kelburn Country Park, Largs; • Training weekend by Youth Scotland held in May 2019; • Ongoing support to locality priorities and events such as Marymass Festival, National Secure Adolescent Inpatient Service, Tenants Participation Day at Irvine Royal Academy, food collection for the foodbank and a Mocktail Bar at the MASA Oscars Night on 31 May 2019. <p>The Partnership agreed to ensure that the Irvine Neighbourhood Youth Forum Update was included on future agendas.</p>	<p><i>J. McHarg</i></p>

<p>13.2</p>	<p>2019/20 Roads Maintenance Programme</p> <p>Submitted report by Campbell Dempster, Senior Manager (Network), Commercial Services (Roads) on the roads, structures and street lighting maintenance programme for 2019/20.</p> <p>Appendices 1a and 1b to the report provided details of the Roads Maintenance Programme 2019/20 as approved by Cabinet on 12 March 2019. Information on how condition assessments are carried out and how roads, structures and lighting locations are prioritised for inclusion in the maintenance programme was outlined in Appendix 2 to the report. Appendix 3 to the report provided examples of the scoring and ranking of carriageway and footways. The assessment matrix used for scoring and ranking structures for inclusion in structures maintenance programme was attached at Appendix 4 to the report.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<p>13.</p>	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 18 September 2019 at Fullarton Community Hub, Irvine.</p>	

The Meeting ended at 8.00 p.m.



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CLD Priorities

Youth Provision

Locality youth work programmes will resume on the 16/09/19 across Irvine. There will be a total 9 opportunities across the area throughout the week.

Literacy Support- Staff attended literacy spotter training session at Redburn Community Centre Session on Wednesday 29th May.

Asset Transfer of Dunlop Memorial Hall (Irvine & Dreghorn Brass Band) - Group have completed RF-S1 and submitted it to the CAT Team. Currently awaiting response.

Adult Learning Working Group - Fortnightly meetings with newly formed Adult Learning Working Group working on new processes for assessing learners and provided appropriate classes. This is ongoing and run by Anne-Marie Hunter.

Community Book

First stage of the community book has now been completed. The initial content relates to services and emergency contacts both at local and national levels. This will be presented to partners for approval and input.

Digital Mapping Exercise

The first phase of the mapping exercise has been completed. Data has been collected in relation to what digital provision and support is available within the community facilities across the Irvine locality. The second phase will investigate the broader provision and it is recommended that the LPP consider adopting a similar approach, to that recently introduced to East Ayrshire whereby businesses and public transport providers are included.

Irvine Seniors Forum

We continue to support Irvine Seniors Forum and in particular, the upcoming open meeting which will be held at the volunteer rooms on Monday 2nd September. Speakers will include Ruth McGuire MSP, Barbara Connor (third sector), Isabel Marr (snr manager, long term conditions) and Heather Smith (age Scotland). Staff will assist with the open discussions taking place in the afternoon.



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Employment and the economy

Job Club

Job Club will start on Tuesday 3 September and will be held at Bourtreehill library. This will provide support in job searches, creating and updating CVs, interview skills and digital support, including online job applications.

Digital Day

A digital day is planned for Saturday 9 November at the new Trinity active travel hub. This event will bring together partners from local businesses, banks, third sector organisations and North Ayrshire Council service providers. Main themes for the day will centre around, digital participation and allowing the community to voice their participation and training needs, in line with the locality priorities of 'influence and sense of control' and 'employment and economy'.

Grant funding workshop

An introduction to locality funding workshop was held on 20th August at Springside Community Centre. Rosemary Fotheringham, NAC grants funding officer, facilitated the workshop and over 15 participants attended from a wide spectrum of community organisations. The use of the digital booking platform, Eventbrite, proved useful in attracting participants from across North Ayrshire.

Activity Agreement Programme

The programme has completed a session and will be starting on the 02/09/19 for a new session with new young people. The previous group have moved on to secure college placements and stage 2 employability elsewhere.

Roots into employment support

The team has recently taken on new Modern apprentices and is also still currently supporting the previous Modern Apprenticeship programmes within Irvine and across North Ayrshire.

Police Scotland Youth Volunteers

23 young adults from all across the locality involved in this group at Irvine Royal Academy. Basic training over and group carrying out various crime prevention all across North Ayrshire. This will resume on the 22/08/19.



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Mental Health

Harbourside Men's Shed - Continuing to work in partnership with the Maritime Museum for the purpose of developing the Men's Shed. Group now have a constitution and bank account in place. Group have been in discussions with Mure Church regarding taking on the church hall as their new premises.

Irvine New Town Men's Shed – The group now have a management committee and constitution and bank account in place. The group moved into their new premises in Bourtreehill Village Centre. The group are being assisted with funding applications including CIF and Nurturing Excellence. The group now has 45 registered members.



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Fair For All



**Influence and
sense of control**

Redburn Breakfast Club

Irvine Neighbourhood Youth Forum are through to the voting stages for Fairer Food P.B on Saturday 8th June to continue their work at the breakfast club and launch a new project Redburn Grub Club over holiday periods and in term time an after school club. In discussion with North Ayrshire Foodbank about a collection point at the Redburn during free food provision times.

Wrap, Fun and Run

Summer holiday activities and lunches at Redburn Community Centre Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays from 11am – 1pm start date 2nd July.

The session as very successful with average of 30 people each day. Families that attended have now started attending the breakfast club and some have started to volunteer too. Wrap run and fun will be on during October holidays.

Food Participatory Budget

Staff have promoted the opportunity and have offered various groups support completing the application but have also taken the application out to groups and centres throughout Irvine.

Various groups have been successful with this process and have started to use the funds for their programmes.

Community Link Workers

Linking in with community link workers to find out what services each team provide and how we can best support community and sign post onto each service.

Community Chit-Chat's

As part of the Community Engagement Plan for 2019, community chit chats are still taking place across neighbourhoods in Irvine. Chit Chat's have taken place at Redburn CC (25 July), Towerlands CC (29 July), Vineburgh CC (7 August), Fullarton (27 August) and Castlepark CC (6 June & 5 September).

Community Associations

Continuing to providing ongoing support to associations. Attended meetings with BABCA, Springside CA, Drybridge HMA, Dreghorn CA, and Castlepark CA. AGMS's were attended for the following: Drybridge HMA (Thursday 1 August), Castlepark C.A. (Tuesday 13 August), BABCA (Monday 19 August), Dreghorn C.A. (Thurs 29th August), Springside C.A. (Tues 27th August).

Your Voice, Your View

The second phase of Your Voice, Your View will take place throughout September. The purpose of this engagement is to enable NAC and its partners to gather the view of our communities of the local community about the wide range of facilities that are within it.

Irvine Neighbourhood Youth Forum and Redburn Management Committee

Current pieces of work



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- Representing young people on the new adolescent mental health unit proposed for Ayrshire Central Hospital. Quarterly.
- Fundraising for breakfast club and foodbank
- Irvine Community Council Meetings
- Community discos
- Saturday breakfast club

Y.O.Y.P Legacy Work

Responsible with Y.O.Y.P ambassador for strategic focus group. Consultation ongoing to refresh the youth participation strategy with various engagement exercises in place to reflect the changing needs of our young people.

Your Voice Your View

Stage 2 of consultation with community to find out their views of draft proposals. The key purpose of the engagement process was to enable North Ayrshire Council and its partners to gather the views of the communities and capture future aspirations. Community engagements taking place throughout September.

Castlepark Community Asset Transfer – Castlepark and Eglinton Community Association in partnership with local community to carrying out an engagement in the Castlepark area with residents to hear their views of the proposed asset transfer proposal for a community sports field. Sally community builder is working with the group to support group going forward.

For further information contact: Elaine Baxter, Locality Officer 01294 313593.



Locality Partnership: Irvine Locality

Date: 18 September 2019

Subject: To advise the meeting of applications received in respect of the Nurturing Excellence in Communities Fund.

Purpose: To consider the applications as outlined in Appendix 1 to this report.

Background

Applications have been received in respect of the Nurturing Excellence in Communities Fund, Irvine Common Good Fund and the Festivals & Events Fund.

Key Points for Locality Partnership

The balances available for disbursement are bullet pointed below:

- The Nurturing Excellence in Communities Fund has a balance of £20,118.24

Action Required by Locality Partnership

To consider the applications for grant funding as outlined in Appendix 1 to this report.

For more information please contact: *Jim McHarg, Senior Manager, Connected Communities, 2nd Floor Cunninghame House, Irvine.*
Email - jmcharg@north-ayrshire.gov.uk

Completed by: *Rosemary Fotheringham (rosemaryfotheringham@north-ayrshire.gov.uk)*

Tel: 01294 475935

Date: 9/9/19

APPENDIX 1

Nurturing Excellence in Communities Fund 2019/20				
Applications from Organisations seeking Financial Assistance – Irvine Locality 18 September 2019				
Organisation	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
<p>Group: Cunninghamehead Residents Association</p> <p>Meeting place: Lanfine Way Community Centre and members' homes</p> <p>Number attending: 50 - 60</p> <p>Past awards: 2013/14 - £2,000 2015/16 - £2,000</p> <p>Other funders: Group are contributing £500</p> <p>Scoring: 30/40</p> <p>Supporting documents received: Bank Statement Income/expenditure sheet Constitution Quotes</p>	<p>Funding towards purchase of a public access defibrillator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donation to British Heart Foundation (required to get defibrillator) - £600 • External Waterproof Cabinet - £280 • Spare Pads - £100 • Signage - £20 <p>Total project costs - £1,000</p>	<p>£500</p>	<p>£500</p>	<p>This funding will contribute towards the purchase of public access defibrillator.</p> <p>The Group has only been running for a short space of time, however, there are already 50 – 60 members. Their overall aim is to represent the interests of group members in consultation with Cunninghamehead park owner, NAC and other relevant bodies.</p> <p>Having a defibrillator on site will give local residents, visitors and the wider community peace of mind, particularly as the site is some 3 miles from the nearest town. Having this equipment could potentially save someone's life whilst awaiting medical assistance.</p>

Nurturing Excellence in Communities Fund 2019/20

Applications from Organisations seeking Financial Assistance – Irvine Locality
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Organisation	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
<p>Group: Irvine Newtown Men's Shed</p> <p>Meeting place: 10 Lower Vennel, Bourtreehill</p> <p>Number attending: 45</p> <p>Past awards: 2018/19 - £1,506.28</p> <p>Other funders: Group are contributing £30</p> <p>Scoring: 34/40</p> <p>Supporting documents received: Bank Statement Income/expenditure sheet Constitution Quotes</p>	<p>Financial contribution towards purchase of tools and materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 x Bosch GCM8SJL2 Pull Over Mitre Saw - £298.00 • 3 x D x 1000 Record Dust Extractors - £462.00 • Timber for 2x 6' Working Benches - £279.04 <p>Total £1,030.04</p>	<p>£1,000</p>	<p>£1,000</p>	<p>The group was formed in November 2018 and currently have 45 members. They aim to provide recreational facilities and advance social needs, health and wellbeing of men aged 18 and over throughout Irvine and surrounding areas. The Men's Shed offers men in the local area a chance to meet and undertake creative, physical and recreational activities of their choice with a view to reducing isolation in men in the Irvine area.</p> <p>The Men's Shed also benefits the local community as they are able to get help, free of charge, for furniture repairs and assistance. Some people struggle to afford to replace furniture so having the Men's Shed available to carry out repairs has made a difference to their lives.</p> <p>This funding will enable the group to purchase new tools and build workbenches which will give them even more opportunity to continue to make and repair furniture and work on various projects in the future.</p>

Nurturing Excellence in Communities 2019/20

Irvine

Amount Allocated: £25,893

Group/Organisation	Amount	Balance
		25,893.00
Towerlands Baby & Toddler Group	392.96	25,500.04
Loose Stickers	836.80	24,663.24
Ayrshire Young Parkinson's Group	1,000.00	23,663.24
Irvine Horticultural Society	500.00	23,163.24
Marymass Folk Festival	795.00	22,368.24
IrvineRoyal Academy Parent Council	750.00	21,618.24
Break a Leg Drama	1,500.00	20,118.24



Community Investment Fund Expression of Interest Form

Organisation name	CASTLEPARK & EGLINTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Brief details of organisation	<p>A community group, Non profitable. We have been running for over 40 years, and have various groups which meet in the centre.</p> <p>The groups cover a wide range from young to old. We have a very busy programme.</p>
Locality	North Ayrshire - Castleprk Irvine
Amount requested	£13,500
Brief overview of proposal	<p>The Association are looking for funding for one year for a Community Builder.</p> <p>The Community builder in the last year assisted the community greatly with involving the local community, NHS, Castlepark Nursery, Castlepark Primary School and some groups within the centre, and also assisting bringing new groups into the centre.</p> <p>The Bereavement Group nothing like this in the area. Doctor surgeries and the NHS send people along to the group. The group held a 8 week Mindfulness Class, which the Community builder was successful in getting a grant to pay the tutor.</p> <p>The Sewing Group which provides N.H.S and local nursing homes with Fidgit Aprons for people with dementia. Again the community builder assisted with a grant application which was successful.</p> <p>The Community builder is involved with the Nursery and School with garden projects with producing healthy eating fruit and vegetables.</p> <p>The Community garden which was overgrown, and the community builder with the help of Ruth Maguire MSP, arranged to have Beechams apprentices involved in tidying the garden.</p> <p>The Association at this time is in talks with NAC regarding an Asset Transfer of a piece of ground between Maree and Morar</p>

	<p>Place to turn it into a Sports field for use by all the local football teams, nursery, school, and groups within the centre.</p> <p>The reason the Association are applying for a grant is to continue this work as we feel the Community Builder over the last year has achieved more than we as an Association could have without her hardwork and dedication putting in extra hours when required by the various groups.</p>
Timescales	1 year
Contact details	Marjory Dickie - 07724 804663 Centre 01294 -311238

Forms should be returned to your Locality Co-ordinator by post or email.

For more information see the guidance form here:

<http://www.northayrshire.community/wp-content/uploads/sites/60/2018/06/community-investment-fund-guidance-notes-17-12-17.pdf> or contact the Community Planning Team on info@northayrshire.community



Community Investment Fund Expression of Interest Form

Organisation name	<i>The Ayrshire Community Trust/Trinity Studios</i>
Brief details of organisation	<p>Formerly known as Town Centre TV (TCTV), Trinity Studios is a project run by The Ayrshire Community Trust (TACT).</p> <p>Our creative digital media hub is based in Trinity Church Hall in Irvine's town centre. We teach digital media skills to groups and individuals and provide volunteering opportunities. As TCTV, we created a range of videos, graphics and animations to promote community events and activities, support third sector organisations and advertise local businesses on the 'Big Screen' at Bridgegate Square.</p> <p>As the 'Big Screen' is no longer operational, we have been focusing on exploring the many applications of virtual reality technology and have invested in five VR headsets. We have been using the equipment to create and demonstrate the benefits of immersive VR environments and highlighting the positive effects it can have on health and mental wellbeing.</p>
Locality	Irvine
Amount requested	£24,000.00
Brief overview of proposal	<p>Irvine Heritage Trails – VR Tours</p> <p>Individuals who are experiencing social isolation and loneliness is a major concern across Irvine and North Ayrshire. Implementing a range of services and methods to help reduce this is a challenge being met by the North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership and other local organisations.</p> <p>To augment these valuable services, we are confident that adding VR experiences would provide an innovative way of allowing people to feel connected to their local community and also explore the wider world.</p> <p>In order to do this, we would like to propose a digital heritage project in the form of VR tours*. We'd like to create an interactive map of the Irvine area showing 'hotspots' that can be fully explored using a VR headset. (Note: a PC, laptop, tablet or smartphone could also be used). Each 360-degree scene would have interactive overlays (text, videos, photos, audio and web links) to provide an immersive experience and allow the viewer to learn information about Irvine's past, present and future.</p>

	<p>To help design the VR trails, we would propose to connect with a range of local organisations such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership • North Ayrshire Heritage and Cultural Services • Fullarton Community Hub • Vineburgh Community Centre • Wellwood Burns Centre and Museum • Scottish Maritime Museum • Garnock Connections • HOPE/CLASP projects • Local schools <p>To reach our intended audience, we would like to provide VR sessions at existing services/activities being run in the area (e.g. youth groups, lunch clubs, health and fitness classes, learning/interest classes, Men's Shed etc.). In addition, we would hold weekly sessions in our fully accessible studio.</p> <p>We feel that exploring these heritage trails would encourage people to reminisce and share their stories and memories of specific places in Irvine. This would stimulate conversations with family and friends. With their permission, we would like to record these stories and incorporate them as audio recordings within the heritage trails. As the project progresses, we could update the scene locations with new audio clips of people's memories. This ensures that the content doesn't stagnate but would constantly evolve over time – thus encouraging repeat visits.</p> <p>Added benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteering – unique opportunities for local people (promoting citizenship) • Tourism - showcasing Irvine (and potentially North Ayrshire) to a global audience • Archiving – providing an important digital record of Irvine's residents, buildings and locations for future generations <p>We'd like to apply for funding to allow us to increase our staffing levels, purchase high quality VR camera equipment and help cover running costs and travel expenses for the duration of the project.</p> <p><i>*We have created a short VR tour to illustrate the concept of our proposal. We would be delighted to give a demonstration if required – please contact us to arrange a suitable date and time.</i></p>
Timescale	12 months (commencing December 2019)
Contact details	John Edgar Trinity Studios Trinity Church Buildings Bridgegate Irvine KA12 8BJ

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Community Investment Fund Expression of Interest Form

Organisation name	Irvine Newtown Men's Shed
Brief details of organisation	Irvine Newtown Men's Shed was founded in November 2018. They currently have 45 members and their committee consists of 7 members. Their initial meetings were held in Towerlands Community Centre, Boutreehill. In January 2019 they moved to the Age Concern building within Boutreehill village centre. In August 2019, they secured their own rented premises from North Ayrshire Council, again in Boutreehill village centre. Irvine Newtown Men's Shed provides recreational facilities and advances the social needs, health and wellbeing of men of all ages and backgrounds living in Irvine and surrounding areas by creating, developing and maintaining a Men's Shed. They offer opportunities for men in the Irvine area to meet and undertake creative, physical purposeful and recreational activities of their choice. They aim to reduce social isolation of men in the area thus contributing to their physical and mental wellbeing. They also aim to develop the capacity of men in the Irvine area to share their knowledge and skills with others in the community.
Locality	Irvine
Amount requested	£10,000
Brief overview of proposal	We are requesting funding to support the upgrading of our new premises. We require the premises to be wheelchair accessible and we also need to create a disabled WC. We will use funding to paint the premises and paint the floor, sectioning off a work shop area and a safe area where there will be no machinery. We will have a seating area for recreational activities and require to decorate this area and provide seating. We have had a donation of PCs and will create an area specifically for IT, including desks and computer chairs. If possible, we would use some of the funding to purchase equipment and machinery for use by the members of the Men's Shed.
Timescale	Spring 2020
Contact details	Andy Brown, Chairperson Tel: 07874 756589/01294 221611

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Community Investment Fund Expression of Interest Form

Organisation name	
Brief details of organisation	Irvine special events forum was founded in 2013. A committee came together to enable Irvine town to have Xmas lights in the town of Irvine. And with annual switch on event for all of the community.
Locality	Irvine
Amount requested	30,000
Brief overview of proposal	The lights that we had purchased back in 2013 are unfortunately no longer of use and not working anymore after we got them last tested last year it would have cost more to have them fixed than replacing them. In 2019 we hired them in on a one year lease. This year we would like to propose buying our lights out right as long term leasing is going occur us trying to find the money every year. We have approached funders and private sponsorships but whist happy to support an event not willing to fund lights. The people of our locality have enjoyed the Christmas events in the past with over 14,000 people attending the first launch of Irvine special events forum we would like to continue to serve the people of our locality and allow there Christmas to sparkle.
Timescale	10 weeks

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