| Participatory Budgeting – Update for Area Committee | | | | | |
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| Service Area | Place Based Programme | Lead Officer | Rhonda Leith | | |
| Stage 1 : Pre Consultation: What are we asking the public for their view on (what service is it / description etc)? How much funding are we asking about? Who are we asking? How are we doing this? When are we doing this? When will we report back? | | | | | |

Hillhouse/Udston/Burnbank

The stakeholder group have been actively involved in designing the Participatory Budgeting (PB) process.

The process opened on the 14 September 2022 and closes on the 25 October 2022.

Proposals are welcomed on the 10 priority themes within the plan, however, the stakeholder groups have decided in 2022/2023 that a particular emphasis will be placed on projects and activities that:-

- promote financial wellbeing
- reduce the impact of the cost-of-living crisis
- promote health improvement

The stakeholder group will meet on 27 October 2022 to assess proposals received.

From 1 November 2022 the public vote will take place, and engagement will be undertaken using a variety of methods including online, via pop ups in key locations and through targeted contact with established groups. Participants in the voting process will have 3 votes each.

The vote will conclude on 8 November 2022 with a public event, expected to be held in Hillhouse Community Centre. A partnership approach will used to facilitate this event which will include the outcome of the vote, cost of living support activity and details of "What's on" in the community to build connections and involvement. Link Housing are coordinating the cost of living element of activity.

Strutherhill and Birkenshaw

The stakeholder group is actively involved in planning PB. Discussions are underway and a series of meetings and contacts have been made with relevant partners to enable the group to cost the 3 elements of activity for investment – Play and Park Development, Physical Environmental Improvements and a bike initiative.

The group is proactively promoting neighbourhood planning and the benefits this has brought to the area. Planned community events hosted by the local schools and community groups will be used to raise awareness and promote wider community involvement in the neighbourhood planning process.

Stage 2 : Post Consultation

- The outcome of the PB activity
- What happens next?
- Further reporting requirements (e.g. required Committee approval)

Blantyre

The funding for the 2021/2022 financial year was carried over to allow for the reestablishment of local priorities, and a public survey carried out ending in June 2022. A total of 743 votes received on the 3 identified themes of:-

- youth activities
- community safety
- community activities

A total of £11,200 was allocated to the following groups:-

- Hyper Cyber Youth Group
- Hyper Cyber Surviving to Thriving
- Bonnie Blantyre
- Blantyre Miners Community Garden
- Terminal One
- Blantyre Community Trust

The breakdown of those voting was as follows:-

| By Age | Percentage |
|------------------------|------------|
| 35 - 44 years (193) | 26% |
| 45 - 54 years (188) | 25% |
| 55 - 64 years (102) | 14% |
| 25 - 34 years (97) | 13% |
| 65 years and over (61) | 8% |
| 16 - 24 years (49) | 7% |
| Under 16 (44) | 6% |
| Prefer not to say (7) | 1% |
| 741 responses | 100% |
| By Gender | Percentage |
| Female (493) | 67% |
| Male (206) | 28% |
| Other (23) | 3% |
| Prefer not to say (15) | 2% |
| 737 responses | 100% |

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| Ethnic Background | Percentage | | | |
| White (653) | 88% | | | |
| Mixed/Multiple ethnic | 6% | | | |
| groups (41) | | | | |
| Asian, Asian Scottish, | 3% | | | |
| Asian British (20) | | | | |
| Prefer not to say (12) | 2% | | | |
| Caribbean or Black (5) | 1% | | | |
| Arab (5) | 1% | | | |
| African (3) | 0% | | | |
| Other ethnic group (1) | 0% | | | |
| 740 responses | 100% | | | |
| Do you consider Percentage yourself to have a disability according to the terms given in | | | | |
| the Equality Act 2010 | 070/ | | | |
| No (645) | 87% | | | |
| Yes (71) | 10% | | | |
| Prefer not to say (3) | 3% | | | |
| 719 responses | 100% | | | |
| Consideration will be given to involving more men and young people in this year's process which is currently being planned by the stakeholder group. | | | | |

