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Report to:	<b>Clyde Valley Learning and Development Joint Committee</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>30 November 2015</b>
Report by:	<b>Chair of Clyde Valley Learning and Development Project Implementation Steering Group</b>

Subject:	<b>Funding for the Clyde Valley Learning and Development Project for 2016/2017</b>
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### 1. Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ update Joint Committee on progress made to secure contributions from Member Councils in order to continue the work of the Project

### 2. Recommendation(s)

2.1 The Joint Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that it be noted that the requested contributions amounting to £32,000 towards the funding of the Project for 2016/2017 have been secured from the eight Clyde Valley Member Councils.

### 3. Background

3.1 The Clyde Valley Learning and Development Project was established as a pilot programme in 2005 to develop a shared approach to Learning and Development across the eight Clyde Valley Councils. A business case was developed and presented to the National Board for Shared Services in 2007 with a view to securing funding for the project. The Clyde Valley was awarded a grant of £560,000 on a one-off basis from the Efficiency and Reform Fund (ERF).

3.2 At the meeting held in 13 December 2010, Joint Committee agreed that members of the Joint Committee and the Project Implementation Steering Group would seek the support of their respective councils to contribute to the future running costs of the Project. This arrangement for annual contributions has continued to date.

3.3 Following discussion by the Clyde Valley Project Implementation Steering Group, it was agreed that a two tier funding model, outlined at the Joint Committee on 14 March 2011, was the most favourable option and one which Member Councils could support.

### 4. Progress

4.1 The Clyde Valley Project Implementation Steering Group has reviewed the contribution levels for the last financial year and concluded that a similar contribution would be appropriate for 2016/2017.

- 4.2 The sums agreed for 2016/2017 would reflect the previous agreement established in 2011, whereby those councils with larger budgets would contribute £5,000.00 and those with smaller budgets would contribute £3,000.00.
- 4.3 On that basis, the following contributions have been secured:-
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| ◆ Glasgow City Council        | £5,000.00 |
| ◆ North Lanarkshire Council   | £5,000.00 |
| ◆ Renfrewshire Council        | £5,000.00 |
| ◆ South Lanarkshire Council   | £5,000.00 |
| ◆ East Dunbartonshire Council | £3,000.00 |
| ◆ East Renfrewshire Council   | £3,000.00 |
| ◆ Inverclyde Council          | £3,000.00 |
| ◆ West Dunbartonshire Council | £3,000.00 |

## **5. Employee Implications**

- 5.1 There are no employee implications regarding the proposal.

## **6. Financial Implications**

- 6.1 Funding of £32,000 has been requested as a contribution towards the running costs of the Project for 2016/2017. All reasonable costs will be absorbed through in-kind contribution by South Lanarkshire Council as lead authority for the Project.
- 6.2 Securing the detailed funds will ensure the continued work of the Project.

## **7. Other Implications**

- 7.1 If funding is not secured the risk is that the Project would not fulfil its objectives and deliver savings.
- 7.2 There are no implications for sustainability in terms of the information contained in this report.

## **8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements**

- 8.1 This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to existing policy, function or strategy and therefore no impact assessment is required.
- 8.2 Consultation has been undertaken with members of the Project Implementation Steering Group who represent the eight Clyde Valley Member Councils all of whom contribute to funding.

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**Chair**

**Clyde Valley Learning and Development Project Implementation Steering Group**

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## **Previous References**

- ◆ 8 December 2014 - Funding for the Clyde Valley Learning and Development Project for 2015/2016
- ◆ 9 December 2013 - Funding for the Clyde Valley Learning and Development Project for 2014/2015

**List of Background Papers**

- ◆ Clyde Valley EGF Training Bid
- ◆ NBSS Clyde Valley Consortium Submission November 2006
- ◆ NBSS Clyde Valley Consortium – Secondary Paper December 2006

**Contact for Further Information**

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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