
Report To:	Policy & Resources Committee	Date:	20 May 2014
Report By:	Corporate Director Education Communities and Organisational Development	Report No:	PR/110/14/PC/MM
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Subject:	Queen's Baton Relay & Race to the Games		

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek approval from Committee for funding for the Queen's Baton Relay in Inverclyde and Clyde Muirshiel's "Race to the Games".

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 Members will be aware that the Queen's Baton Relay visits Inverclyde on Monday 14 July 2014, just ten days before the 2014 Commonwealth Games opens in Glasgow. The Baton Relay is visiting every Local Authority in Scotland as the final stage of its journey to the games.
- 2.2 There are various costs arising from the relay and the events surrounding it. Wherever possible external funding bids have been made to cover the costs or these have been contained in service budgets. There are certain unavoidable costs arising, in the main from road restrictions, barriering & closures which need budgetary provision.
- 2.3 Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park is organising a Sailability "Race to the Games" on Wednesday 02 July 2014. The race will be run from James Watt Dock in Greenock, finishing at the Glasgow Science Centre. As part of the funding package for the event Clyde Muirshiel is requesting sponsorship from Inverclyde Council.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 It is recommended that members:-

1. Approve the provision of budget for the Queen's Baton Relay
2. Approve the sponsorship of "Race 2 the Games" by Inverclyde Council up to £10,000 subject to the conditions set out in para 5.4 of the report.

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4.0 BACKGROUND - QBR

- 4.1 The Queen's Baton Relay comes to Inverclyde on 14 July 2014. Planning for this event is ongoing but the route is now finalised together with the outline of a number of events at the various photo opportunities during the day.
- 4.2 As part of the planning various external funding opportunities have either been granted or are pending approval for events during the day. These include:
- £10K from Event Scotland for the end of day celebration event in Battery Park (confirmed)
 - £10K from the "Celebrate" fund for "Let the Games Begin" a partial performance of which will feature in the end of day event (confirmed)
 - £10K from the "Celebrate" fund for a full programme of cultural events around the QBR (application by the Beacon, pending approval)

As well as the above a number of other events are being supported by Inverclyde Council and partners during the QBR, including events at Gourrock Outdoor Pool, Ravenscraig and Parklea. Costs arising from these events will largely be officer time and will be contained in service budgets.

- 4.3 There are, however, costs arising from road closures, barriering and stewarding that cannot be contained. As such a total of £13,900 is required to support services.

5.0 Race to the Games

- 5.1 Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park, in which Inverclyde Council is a partner, has a Royal Yachting Association Centre of Excellence for sailability. Pupils from Craigmarloch School have attended the centre and named one of the Access 303 Class dinghies.
- 5.2 Clyde Muirshiel intends to run a sailability "Race to the Games" on 02 July 2014. This will involve sailability dinghies sailing from James Watt Dock to the Glasgow Science Centre. Young people from Craigmarloch School will be involved in the event. A flyer for the event is attached as Appendix 1.
- 5.3 Clyde Muirshiel has approached Inverclyde Council for sponsorship of this event, which will undoubtedly be a high profile event in the run up to the games. The event also starts in Inverclyde and will be an ideal opportunity to promote the area.
- 5.4 Clyde Muirshiel Park have requested £10,000 sponsorship. Officers are in discussions regarding the financial detail and delegated authority is requested to finalise this sum on the basis it does not exceed £10,000.

6.0 PROPOSALS

- 6.1 That Committee approves the additional funding required for the Queen's Baton Relay.
- 6.2 That Committee agrees to Inverclyde Council being a sponsor of the Race to the Games event.

7.0 IMPLICATIONS

7.1 Financial Implications

Financial Implications – One off Costs

Route Estimates

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Year	Proposed Spend	Virement From	Other Comments
Earmarked Reserves	Revenue Contingency (Queens Baton Relay – Roads)	2014/15	£13900	N/A	Coning various stretches of road. Crowd Barriers at Cathcart Street and Kilmacolm. Hire of Vehicle Transporter. Route dressing at key points, post event clean up and additional stewarding.

Race 2 The Games

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Year	Proposed Spend	Virement From	Other Comments
Earmarked Reserves	Revenue Contingency (Race 2 The Games)	2014/15	Up to £10000	N/A	Event sponsorship amount to be finalised following discussions with CMP.

7.2 Legal Implications

None

7.3 Human Resources Implications

None

7.4 Equalities Implications

None

7.5 Repopulation Implications

A successful Queen's Baton Relay should have a positive impact on the image of Inverclyde.

8.0 CONSULTATIONS

- 8.1 As part of the planning process for the Queen's Baton Relay consultations have taken place with a number of services within Inverclyde Council including Environmental & Commercial Services, Finance and Legal and Property Services. External partners consulted include Glasgow 2014, Police Scotland and Inverclyde Leisure.

7.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 Glasgow 2014 Queen's Baton Relay & Legacy Plan –
Education & Communities Committee November 2013

Clyde Muirshiel Sailability: 'Race 2 the Games'

Wednesday 2 July 2014



The Race: As part of the celebrations in the run up to the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games, Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park (CMRP) is organising a Sailability 'Race to the Games'. This challenging race for people with disabilities covers 33km from the open waters of the Firth of Clyde through the narrow channel of the River Clyde into central Glasgow.

The Route: The race, in Access 303 sailing dinghies, will start at James Watt Dock, Greenock and finish at the Glasgow Science Centre. A film crew will be covering the event. There will be opportunities for partners and sponsors to follow the race from the water on a large motor cruiser, high powered RIBs or a variety of smaller support boats.



The Reception: At the finish line Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park will be hosting a 'Taste of Scotland' reception for competitors, partners and sponsors.



The Legacy: Sponsorship raised from the event will generate legacy funds for the further development of accessible tourism activities at the Regional Park and disability sport at CMRP's Sailability Centre for Excellence. Specialist equipment and training opportunities will be provided in sailing, kayaking and cycling for those with additional support needs.

The Details: Follow the action on twitter & facebook/race2thegames. For further information about the event contact David Hill on 01505 842 882 ex 21 or david.hill@clydemuirshiel.co.uk