

Forum Area or Division:	Eden - Eden
Reference:	CGA/993-22
Group Name:	Barnardo's Eden 0-19 CFSS
Community Development Officer:	Kellie Bradburn- Sims
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Amount Requested:	£30,000.00
Total Project Cost:	£45,158.84

APPLICATION REPORT

Application Summary

Barnardo's Eden 0-19 Child and Family Support Service is commissioned by Cumbria County Council to provide a 4 Tier offer to children aged 0-19 and their families.

Barnardo's Cumbria, on behalf of children living in Cumbria, made a commitment in 2017 to undertake a follow up consultation with children aged 8-12. The follow-up project was due to take place in 2021 but was displaced due to the pandemic. The Summit 17 report provided a wide range of information on what it is like being a child living in Cumbria, provided by 6293 children who participated in the project.

In the current climate the concern is that the number of children living and worrying about 'not having enough' will likely be more than in 2017. There is also a concerning shift in the 'worries of children' moving towards mental health and wellbeing of themselves and others. Summit 22 will help to understand more about the impact of events over the last five years on standards of living, poverty and loss experienced by children.

The intention of the project is as it was in 2017, to reach a minimum of 33% of all children 8 to 12 years old in Cumbria, and ask them "what is it like being a child and living in Cumbria today?". The project task is considerable and will require reviewing and recording a minimum of 6293 surveys, mostly hand written. All surveys submitted are reviewed by professionals, any safeguarding concerns will be fed back to schools or groups that are identified in the responses. This safeguarding measure worked extremely well for summit 17 and will be replicated again.

The outcome of the project will produce a follow-up report containing Cumbria wide data with a specific focus for each district, and a deeper dive into worry statements from participants. Strategic and local decision makers will be able to utilise the findings to understand emerging needs from the pandemic. For children aged 8-12, it will mean their voices are being heard, giving them a sense of worth and value, for themselves and their peers.

Barnardo's are seeking funding from each local committee to contribute to this countywide project. The outcome of which will be widely beneficial in decision making and aligning services to meet current needs of children and families living in Cumbria.

Key Themes Met

This project contributes to Cumbria County Council's vision in the 2018 – 2022 Council Plan: to be "A Council that works with residents, businesses, communities and other organisations to deliver the best services possible within the available resources".

The project also contributes to the following outcomes the County Council's 2018 – 2022 plan aims to achieve for the people of Cumbria:

People in Cumbria are Healthy and Safe

People in Cumbria have access to the tools they need to keep themselves healthy

Match with Criteria

When awarding funds from this scheme applications for funding should demonstrate that projects address at least one of the following criteria;

- Providing access to play, recreational, leisure or outdoor activities
- Providing access to care or educational activities
- Providing access to safe and enjoyable places for children and young people to go
- Providing access to holiday, weekend or out of school activities
- Enabling children and young people's involvement and participation e.g. forum, youth council, engagement, empowerment, decision-making
- Supporting children and young people to take part in volunteering or community action

The project also contributes to the following priorities of Children`s Trust Board Plan 2019-2022:

To ensure the voice of children, young people and families informs, guides and drives the work of the CTB.

Understand more about children and families lived experience.

Number of People Benefiting

100 +

Breakdown of Project Costs

Total Project Cost; £45,158.84

Breakdown:

Staff; £27,417.24

Activities; £10,000

Equipment; £1500

Office expenses; £1804

Management; £4437.60

Project Income:

Barnardo`s Voice and Influence £5000 (in progress)

Cumbria Community Foundation £10,000 (in progress)

Cumbria County Council £30,000 (£5k per district)

Previous CCC Funding

None

Grant Amount Recommended

£5000

Officer comments

Comments from Elected Member(s) / Neighbourhood Forum / Grant Panel

Member Signature:

Date: