

EAST RENFREWSHIRE COUNCIL13 DECEMBER 2017Report by Chief Officer of the HSCP and Director of EducationTHE NAME OF THE NEW COMMUNITY HUB IN AUCHENBACK**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. To seek elected members agreement on a name for the community hub in Auchenback, Barrhead.

**RECOMMENDATION**

2. Elected members are asked to agree to the name of The Sir Harry Burns Centre.

**BACKGROUND AND REPORT**

3. Members will be aware of the East Renfrewshire's Early Years Strategy to support a preventative agenda in our most deprived areas. Key to this work has been the advice offered to the Council's steering group by the former Chief Medical Officer for Scotland, Sir Harry Burns.

4. Sir Harry Burns, a resident and Freeman of East Renfrewshire, has long been a proponent of preventative work in communities to improve health and wellbeing. Members will be aware of the presentation which Sir Harry delivered to Council on 17 December 2014 where he spoke about developing social connectedness and creating wellness.

5. He was a member of the Scottish Government's Early Years Taskforce and the instigator of the Early Years Collaborative. He has long promoted approaches which tackle inequalities in outcomes for children and their families through prevention and intervention at the earliest possible opportunity.

6. An aim of East Renfrewshire's Early Years Strategy has been to involve local communities in the design and delivery of services, and in the case of Auchenback, to build a new centre which would house a replacement nursery for Arthurlie Family Centre, but more importantly a "community hub", where parents and local people are able to access multiple services supporting children, families and communities to secure better outcomes for themselves.

7. The new centre opened to children and families on Tuesday 28 November 2017. It is proposed that it be named in honour of Sir Harry Burns, his work nationally and internationally, reflective of his leadership of the approaches which we continue to develop in East Renfrewshire and his support for our work on a local level.

**FINANCE AND EFFICIENCY**

8. There are no financial or efficiency implications related to this report.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

10. Elected members are asked to agree to the name of The Sir Harry Burns Centre.

Julie Murray  
Chief Officer HSCP

Mhairi Shaw  
Director of Education

December 2017

### Convener Contact Details

Councillor C. Bamforth, Chair of IJB  
Councillor, P O'Kane, Convener for Education and Equalities

Tel: Home 01505 850455  
Tel: Mobile 07718 697115

Local Government Access to Information Act 1985

### Report Author

Mhairi Shaw, Director of Education  
Tel: 0141 577 8635  
[Mhairi.Shaw@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:Mhairi.Shaw@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk)