MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

FINAL REPORT OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S LEARNING SCRUTINY PANEL – SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROVISION

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AIM OF THE INVESTIGATION

- 1. The aim of the investigation was as follows:
 - To ensure that all vulnerable children and young people have access to school holiday provision in Middlesbrough.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 2. The terms of reference for the scrutiny panel's investigation were as follows:
 - a) To identify the current school holiday provision in Middlesbrough.
 - b) To map school holiday provision across the town and identify gaps in provision.
 - c) To encourage partners/organisations to work together to tackle holiday hunger.
 - d) To gather the views of children/young people and their parents/carers on school holiday provision

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3. There has been growing recognition that the school holidays present significant challenges for low income families reliant on Free School Meals (FSM). The summer holidays are particularly challenging with children at home for six weeks needing both meals and activities to keep them occupied, with no extra money in the budget. There is a growing body of evidence of a holiday experience gap with children from disadvantaged families less likely to access organised out-of-school activities¹; more likely to experience 'unhealthy holidays' in terms of nutrition and physical health²; and more likely to experience social isolation
- 4. An All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) Report 'Hungry Holidays: A report on hunger amongst children during the school holidays' was published in April 2017.³ The report indicates that up to 3 million children nationally are at risk of going hungry in the school holidays, furthermore the negative impact on health and well-being, learning and family life are significant. Hungry Holidays is described as a hidden cost of poverty, a cost that is paid by children. A report published by Joseph Rowntree Foundation in December 2017 demonstrates that child poverty has increased by 30% since 2011/12, with significant impacts on health, family relationships, education and skills.⁴
- 5. Free holiday clubs are a response to this issue and evidence suggests that they can have a positive impact on children and young people and that they work best when they provide

¹ The Sutton Trust, 2014. Extra-curricular Inequality Research Brief; Cullinane and Montacute, 2017. Life Lessons: Improving essential life skills for young people, The Sutton Trust

² Kellogg's, 2015; Mann, S., Wade., M., Sandercock, G., and Beedie, C. (2017). *The impact of summer holidays and school deprivation index upon cardiorespiratory levels in primary school children*. Presented at European College of Sports Science, Essen, Germany

³ <u>https://feeding-britain.org/holiday-hunger-campaign/</u>

⁴ https://www.jrf.org.uk/report/uk-poverty-2017

consistent and easily accessible enrichment activities, for more than just breakfast or lunch, and when they involve children (and parents) in food preparation⁵.

6. The introduction of Universal Credit is forcing many more people to turn to foodbanks for support in feeding themselves and their families. Trussell Trust (the largest group of foodbank providers, which Middlesbrough and Redcar Area Foodbanks belong to) report an average rise of 17% in foodbank usage in areas where there has been full roll-out of Universal Credit. The report 'Early Warnings: Universal Credit and Foodbanks' 6 describes negative impacts on health, in particular mental health, housing, work, increased debt and breakdown in family relationships, all of which have a negative impact on children within affected families.

7. The Challenges Facing Local Families

- 8. The total number of primary age children receiving FSM in Middlesbrough is 5,217 (September 2018 figures). This represents 39.1% of primary age children across all wards, however in some schools FSM levels are over 70%, particularly in East Middlesbrough and the numbers in Special schools are also very high.
- 9. Middlesbrough Foodbank provided emergency food parcels for 5,044 people during 2017, this includes 1,798 dependent children under 16 years. These figures represent an 11% increase compared to 2016. These figures demonstrate that growing numbers of Middlesbrough and Redcar & Cleveland children are affected by their families struggling with food insecurity. Universal Credit roll out began locally in October 2018 and so the full impact of this new policy is still to be seen.

10. Term of Reference A

To identify the current school holiday provision in Middlesbrough.

- 11. Feast of Fun is a partnership of local churches, community groups and schools working together to provide holiday activities, with a healthy meal. It is a grass—roots response to offer support for local families who struggle during the summer holidays. For many families the summer holidays are a challenge with the children at home 24/7 and no free school meals. The weekly budget has to stretch further for food and there is little left for activities and treats. Parents and carers can feel overwhelmed and isolated with six weeks to care and provide for their families, affecting the health and well-being of the whole family.
- 12. Starting in 2014, with 6 churches, the Feast of Fun project has grown each year, with 25 communities across Middlesbrough and Redcar & Cleveland involved for summer 2018. Each community offers a safe space for children and families to have fun, with a range of activities to support their learning and development, including arts & crafts, sports, games, cooking, music and drama. A nutritious meal is provided, with most venues providing a meal for the whole family to eat together. Families who are seeking asylum are offered a warm welcome,

⁵ Evans, J. 2018, *Holiday Activities and Food: Literature Review,* Internal report to DfE, unpublished. A summary report will be published in 2019.

⁶ https://www.trusselltrust.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2017/04/Early-Warnings-Universal-Credit-and-Foodbanks.pdf

and Feast of Fun has been a safe space for them to build relationships and begin to integrate into the local community.

- 13. The Feast of Fun operates in communities, where levels of free school meals are high. The project has trusted partner organisations with a track record of working with children and families, and suitable venues at the heart of their communities. In each area the groups have strong working relationships with local schools, (or the school is used as the venue), where project staff work with Parent Support staff to ensure the most vulnerable families are encouraged to attend Feast of Fun. Each group adheres to the Feast of Fun good practice guidelines, including safeguarding, health & safety, food hygiene.
- 14. The Feast of Fun provides enrichment activities which are provided in partnership with local organisations such as the North York Moors Centre in Danby and the Bowes Museum, both organisations cover the cost of transport and provide a day of activities. Northern rail also provide free tickets for 2 groups to enjoy a day out at Whitby and Saltburn. Stagecoach buses also provide 200 day passes for families to have a day out during the school summer holidays. The Feast of Fun also receives free food for each venue to host a family BBQ or celebration from Quorn foods of Stokesley. In addition, Quorn staff and a range of local chefs provide cooking activities, so all children have the opportunity to cook a meal and invite their family. The Feast of Fun also partner with MIMA for arts activities and have a range of local organisations providing music, dance and sports activities.
- 15. The Scrutiny Panel heard from Marie Kelly, Welfare Officer at Pennyman Primary School. Members were advised that Pennyman Primary Academy was situated in an area of high deprivation and had provision for up to 440 children including 54 children with physical or medical needs. At any one time there is an average of sixty children on the school's vulnerable list. These are children open to external agencies and does not include the children the school had concerns about on a daily basis not open to agencies.
- 16. Members were advised that following the school summer holiday it became apparent that the number of children referred to Social Care for incidents of neglect, domestic violence etc had risen over the summer. There was also a rise in the number of accidents sustained to school children. Members heard that it was also noticeable that some of the children returned looking unwell or appeared to have lost weight. It was advised that due to the concerns the school had decided to run holiday provision.
- 17. School holiday provision activities were available during February half term, two weeks during the Easter holiday and up to three weeks during the summer holiday for children from Reception to Y6. The activities are varied, including Footygolf, Multisports, Dance, Rock Climbing, Cinema trips, Drama and Film-making. The school negotiated with local businesses to obtain discounts and tailor the activities to meet the needs of the children. The Welfare Officer informed the Members that the clubs cost £5.00 per day with sessions taking place from 10:00am till 2:30 pm. The children brought a packed lunch with them however where vulnerable children had been identified, they were offered free places and provided with packed lunches from the school if needed.
- 18. Members queried how the holiday provision was staffed, the Welfare Officer stated that two Sports Coaches had joined the staff at Pennyman and a decision was made to employ them term time, plus four weeks which enabled cover during the holiday period.
- 19. The Scrutiny Panel also received information from Andy Falconer, Game On 2018 Facilitator. Members heard that 'Game On' was a grass-roots and asset-based network of holiday activity providers across Teesside. The project worked in collaboration across diverse

- settings. Members were advised that in 2018 Game On linked with 46 projects providing activities and food for 1910 young people.
- 20. In late 2011, a small group of youth workers from Nexus Middlesbrough agreed to a new summer activities pilot. The youth workers co-created an Olympic themed program on community activities, working with schools to initiate three summer projects in 2012. In 2014 hope4boro emerged as a thriving peer-based network, which resulted in a dozen projects that found creative ways to support one another to offer free activities and healthy snacks for young people in Middlesbrough.
- 21. Funding of £2000 was secured from Seedbed a Christian Community Trust, which helped each group to amplify their work. In 2018 the program was reborn as 'Game On', which was a diverse and multi-faceted network, allowing small, autonomous groups to share a platform, skills. ideas and resources.
- 22. Members were advised that there were year-on year increases in the number of projects integrated into Game On. Members heard that in Middlesbrough there were 24 projects that delivered 178 sessions that were attended by 925 young people, meals/snacks provided amounted to 3200, there were 176 volunteers providing 4000 voluntary hours.
- 23. The projects were generally permanently based in their locality. The projects are supported by volunteers and fundraising activities take place within the community. Members heard that FreeStyle offers light support for Game On to facilitate a peer-driven network. In 2018, Game On had a budget of £5000 to fund shared resources and to offer small grants to facilitate the work of each project.
- 24. Members heard that a huge proportion of the value (both for groups and the network) came from in-kind support; be it food or venue usage, but mostly through volunteer time.
- 25. The Scrutiny Panel received information from Ricky Tomlinson, Senior Detached Youth Worker at the Linx Project.
- 26. During the school summer holidays Linx provided activities to young people, Members were advised that the young people were asked what activities they would like to take part in. During the 2018 school summer holidays Members heard that:
 - 48 young people attended Lightwater Valley
 - 38 young people attended Wet N Wild
 - 10 young people attended a trip to the seaside
 - 50 young people attended Flamingoland, and
 - a sports day was held at Albert Park however attendance was low
- 27. In regards to providing food to young people during the school summer holidays it was advised that food was obtained through Greggs and Tesco. It was advised that if a child was vulnerable Linx would work with them on a 1:1 basis and take them for a hot meal if needed.
- 28. Term of Reference B

To map school holiday provision across the town and identify gaps in provision.

29. Lauren Perkin and Andrea Burrows from the Middlesbrough Food Power Alliance provided an update on work they were undertaking in relation to transforming the way that people in food poverty accessed support and create long-term, sustainable lives that are free from hunger.

- 30. Middlesbrough Environment City (MEC) had successfully obtained £10,000 funding through the Food Power programme to tackle food poverty and food insecurity in Middlesbrough. The funding provided a dedicated member of staff at MEC to coordinate the project. The role was to engage with representatives from organisations supporting people who were in food poverty and food insecurity. The Food Power Alliance had members from various organisations including statutory, voluntary and housing who were working together to create a food poverty action plan addressing four areas: School Holidays, Maximising Income, Surplus Food and Optimising Healthy Start vouchers.
- 31. The Middlesbrough Food Power Alliance had been working with an intern from Teesside University to research the extent of food poverty across Middlesbrough and the current levels of emergency provision that were available in each ward. Following on from this initial research it was decided to focus on mapping the current provision available through the summer holidays identifying a good selection of provision available across the town. However, this had highlighted four key areas of expansion:
- 32. **More venues** Currently there were 19 different providers of holiday provision however, there were 13360 primary age children currently on roll, 5217 children were entitled to free school meals which indicated that the current venues do not have the capacity to cater for all children.
- 33. **More external providers** enrichment activities are very expensive and although there had been some input from external providers there is a need to gain more to ensure that children are not hungry in body or mind.
- 34. **More days** the current provision was mostly focused around the summer holidays for two to three days per week. There is a need to support each group to offer at least 12 days provision during the summer holidays and to expand provision across other school holidays.
- 35. **Strengthening the food offer** the current programmes were working at full capacity and the current meals were sometimes stretched. Providing this area with support would be beneficial to offer a nutritious meal each day.
- 36. An exercise had been carried out to examine each ward of Middlesbrough against the Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) and the population at risk of food poverty. The table highlighted that wards such as Park End and Beckfield were at risk of food poverty but had very little food or school holiday provision in the area.

37. Term of Reference C

To encourage partners/organisations to work together to tackle holiday hunger.

- 38. The Scrutiny Panel was advised of a bill going through Parliament lead by Frank Field MP who was seeking government backing for a percentage of the sugar tax to be allocated to local authorities to fund Holiday Provision. The bill proposed a partnership model between the VCS and faith sectors, schools and local businesses, £2 million was allocated for a pilot research phase for summer 2018 and £15 million would be allocated for 2019. It was envisaged that a multi-agency partnership be formed to enable Middlesbrough to bid for some of the £15 million, with the backing of the local authority. Members heard that the bill talks of giving a duty to local authorities to provide provision in school holidays.
- 39. The Scrutiny Panel were advised that a School Holiday Provision working group had been established which included partners from Together Middlesbrough & Cleveland, the School Nursing Team, Church of England Children and Youth Advisors, Public Health, MVDA,

Middlesbrough Council and Middlesbrough Environment City.

40. Members heard that a Primary School Network had been established to share resources and knowledge around school holiday provision and a networking event had been held to explore how school holiday provision could be further developed across the town. The event was attended by 10 primary schools from across the town.

41. Terms of Reference D

To gather the views of children/young people and their parents/carers on school holiday provision

- 42. The Feast of Fun conducted Informal interviews with parents/grandparents and children who took part in the programme, as well as volunteers. Each cluster was sampled according to the number of groups to ensure the results were representative of the whole Feast of Fun programme. Participants were asked open-ended questions. In total 116 interviews were conducted, 51 with parents or grandparents, 42 with children, and 33 with volunteers.
- 43. Each of the Feast of Fun groups were also asked to complete an evaluation form which included questions about beneficiaries, the food and activities provided, local partnerships, staff and volunteers, funding and resources.
- 44. The results of both the evaluation forms completed by groups and the interviews with parents, children and volunteers can be broken down into the following themes:
 - The need for Feast of Fun in Middlesbrough
 - The challenges faced by families during school holidays
 - The benefit to families of involvement with Feast of Fun
 - The local nature of Feast of Fun, which strengthens communities
 - The cost effectiveness of the Feast of Fun programme
 - Suggestions for improvement and development of Feast of Fun.
- 45. Both parents and volunteers spoke about the need for this kind of holiday provision in Middlesbrough

'I would not have had any food today if I had not come here.' Parent

'It's a really valuable thing for children - some don't get to go away' Volunteer 1

'Middlesbrough is desperate for it, because there is nothing.' Parent 10

'I didn't realise how much poverty...I mean children not getting fed during the holidays, that's just blown my socks off and I just think [Feast of Fun] is desperately needed. When you think of people in this day and age living like that it's just unbelievable' Volunteer 15

46. The financial challenges faced by families during the school holidays focussed on three areas. Some families of children eligible for FSM struggled to find the money for the additional meals needed:

'We're both, my husband and I, are on the minimum wage, so low income, so money really is our biggest obstacle at the minute.' Parent 5

'We all struggle, we do, we all struggle for meals over the holidays.' Volunteer 8 (Has older

children)

'There's no way where you can feed children at home for £10 a week which is the price of school dinners.' Parent/Volunteer 9

'Everything in Middlesbrough costs, it's not cheap. Lunch is a big one at the moment' Parent 10

47. Others found the cost of entertaining their children challenging:

'If you don't have the money to spend you can't take the kids out.' Parent 6

'I just think it's very expensive, there isn't enough things to do around here for the kids so it's good to get them into something instead of them being at home because it is very expensive to go on days out and stuff all the time.' Parent 4

'it's so hard to find cheap ways to keep your children entertained, where it's not putting you into more debt, you're not feeling guilty for not being able to pay a bill because you need to find money to entertain them.' Parent 3

'We struggle. We're not a very well-off family to be honest. Without the [Feast of Fun holiday club] we'd just be stuck at home most of the days.' Parent 14

48. Families benefitted in many ways from the Feast of Fun holiday provision. The most obvious way was that at every holiday club the children were fed, and at a significant number of holiday clubs the parents and siblings were invited to join in the meal as well. In total 6,163 meals were provided.

'I think it was tasty and delicious!' Child 21

'They gave them a 2 course meal, it's something nice, I'm really happy with it.' Parent 6

'The food's absolutely delicious.' Parent 22

'I've been shocked at how generous that it's been. I expected that they would scrimp and save and may be have half a sandwich when we first came. But there's been food for the kids, food for the parents and still there's enough left over for us to take some home. I'm in shock with how generous they've been.' Parent 21

49. Groups, volunteers and parents all reported that the holiday clubs helped families financially. It helped them by providing food which reduced the burden on the household finances, and it helped by providing low cost activities for the children:

'With me it's been a godsend because here they give children something to eat as well which saves money for the household.' Parent/volunteer 9

'I think it's good for people who have no money, where the families are struggling and can't afford...they come here and everything is free for the kids. I think it's a really good opportunity for some families' Parent 9

'People around here can't afford quite a bit of stuff especially if you've got a big family, and stuff like this [Feast of Fun], it helps us out a hell of a lot.' Parent 20

50. Parents, volunteers and children all said that the holiday clubs were fun and provided a stimulating range of activities.

'It helps [the children]; they're not bored. They don't want to stay at home and be bored throughout the six week holidays' Parent 16

'They enjoy it and they're learning new things. There's always a tale to tell at the end of the day!'

Parent 14

'They're learning all sorts of different skills here what they wouldn't learn if they were just at home.' Grandparent 3

51. Parents also reported that attending Feast of Fun holiday clubs had a positive effect on children's behaviour.

'It calms them down because it gives them something to do' Parent 7

'I've never known them to be this quiet! They're on their best behaviour aren't they!?' Parent 19

'Her attitude is different when she comes home [after Feast of Fun]...she's more relaxed when she comes home. It's made a huge difference.' Parent 18

52. Children also benefited from Feast of Fun physically. All the holiday clubs provided the opportunity for physical exercise with 75% of sessions including some form of physical activity.

'They always want to go out so this is one of the good opportunities to see the kids get active.'

Parent/Volunteer 12

'We've learned how to play football, even though I already know how to play' Child 7

- 53. Many parents and volunteers talked about the social aspect of Feast of Fun, reducing potential isolation during the school holidays for both parents and the children.
- 54. Parents also benefited from the opportunity to socialise. Some parents felt isolated and 'stuck in the house' during the holidays, and appreciated being able to talk to other adults.
- 55. One of the greatest benefits to children and families attending Feast of Fun holiday clubs were the opportunities they were given that they would not have otherwise been able to experience.
 - 'On Thursday, we were able to take a group of children to Saltburn thanks to free train tickets from the rail service. They were amazed and had a wonderful time building castles, eating a picnic and getting some ice-cream!' From a group leader
- 56. Many of the Feast of Fun clubs provided activities for the whole family, or parents were invited to join the meal at the end of the session. Both parents and volunteers reported that the Feast of Fun clubs had provided the opportunity for parents to spend quality time with their children.

'It helps the families because it's giving you family-time' Volunteer 11

57. Parents also really appreciated that Feast of Fun holiday clubs were local to them meaning that they didn't need to pay for bus travel:

'It makes a difference that it is local.' Grandparent 1

'This is local and its meeting the needs of the community, it's nice.' Volunteer 5

'It's amazing because... it's hard to find something that's on the doorstep, you're not having to think of bus fares there and back.' Parent 5

58. Not only did parents value the local nature of the holiday clubs, they really liked that Feast of Fun was provided by the local community, for the local community. The volunteers and leaders running the holiday clubs came from the local community and this meant that Feast of Fun was seen as a way of bringing local communities together and having a family atmosphere.

Its like a big family community because everyone's so friendly' Volunteer 11

'It's lovely that the community actually comes together like this' Grandparent 3

59. Parents and volunteers made some suggestions for the improvement and development of the Feast of Fun programme. It was suggested that there should be Feast of Fun holiday clubs in every community because the need is so great. It was also suggested that parents would like the clubs to run for more days through the summer holidays, and perhaps other holidays as well. Paying volunteers for their time was an idea that people felt would help make this possible, suggesting that increasing the number of paid staff at the clubs would increase capacity.

It's a shame it's just for 2 weeks, I'd like it to be the whole six weeks but I know it's not feasible.'

Volunteer 5

'Some children just look forward to [Feast of Fun] once a year in their area, but it would be really good for Christmas time as well, if we could do it at Christmas or even a couple of times a year.'

60. Volunteers also reported that they wanted to be able to cater for more families in the future, with around half of groups stating on the evaluation forms that next year they hope to have more children involved.

'I think there should be more funding for things like this in the holidays, and more funding so we can cater for more children.' Parent/Volunteer 9

CONCLUSIONS

The scrutiny panel reached the following conclusions in respect of its investigation:

a) There is need for holiday provision of food and activities in Middlesbrough because local families experience difficulty meeting the increased financial and childcare burdens of the school holidays. School holiday provision such as the Feast of Fun alleviates these challenges, providing children and families with meals,

- entertainment, opportunities to socialise, as well as to learn and experience new things whilst spending quality time together.
- b) There is a desire to grow school holiday provision, however to do this capacity within individual groups needs to be grown, as does capacity across the programme.
- c) The Panel considered that it was imperative that a multi-agency partnership be formed to enable Middlesbrough with the backing of the local authority to bid for some of the £15 million from the Department for Education Holiday Activities and Food Research Fund.
- d) Projects such as the Feast of Fun benefits whole families and communities, not just the children who attend the holiday clubs. Involvement with Feast of Fun also has benefits for the volunteers, providing satisfaction and reducing loneliness and isolation. The programme provides very good value for money due to its charitable nature attracting donations.
- e) The Panel acknowledges that currently the majority of school holiday provision is targeted at primary school age children, however there is holiday provision available for secondary school age young people the Panel felt that this needed to be developed further.
- f) It was felt that some school holiday provision was publicised well through schools and School Liaison officers tried to ensure that the most vulnerable families were able to access school holiday provision. However, in some areas this had not happened so well, with parents relying on word of mouth to find out about the holiday clubs. For the successful development of school holiday provision, groups and schools would need to work closely together to ensure that the most vulnerable families are supported to access school holiday provision.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 61. As a result of the evidence received, and based on the above conclusions, the Children and Young People's Learning Scrutiny Panel makes the following recommendations for consideration by the Overview and Scrutiny Board:
 - g) Commitment from Middlesbrough Council to support the funding bid to the Department for Education (DfE) Holiday Activities and Food Research Fund.
 - h) That Middlesbrough Council works in partnership with Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council to bid for the DfE Holiday Activities and Food Research Funding

- i) Middlesbrough Council to provide a named Officer within the Council to support the development of a bid to the DfE Holiday Activities and Food Research Fund and to support the growth of the Feast of Fun project
- j) Encourage active partnerships with Middlesbrough Environment City to grow skills in the local community
- k) Ensure relevant Council departments are aware of the benefits of the Feast of Fun Project (Children's Social Care, Education, Public Health, Community Safety) and recommend that budgets are scrutinised to support the Feast of Fun Project to continue and grow
- I) Lobbying of Central Government to use 10% of the Sugar Tax, and a proportion pf the plastic bag tax if appropriate, to support school holiday provision
- m) Director of Education to have creative conversations with schools to encourage them to run holiday provision from schools
- n) To examine procurement of Middlesbrough Council contracts to ensure that potential enrichment activities include the provision to support vulnerable children
- o) To actively collaborate with volunteers from Teesside University and the voluntary sector to provide support for the Feast of Fun and other initiatives to support vulnerable children.
- p) To continue collaboration with the Primary School Network
- q) The Executive to endorse the recommendation that the Council provides substantive financial support to the Feast of Fun project to enable it to continue and grow
- r) Teesside University is commissioned to provide robust evaluation for the Feast of Fun project
- s) To explore need and potential provision for secondary school age young people.
- t) Signposting and publicity on school holiday provision to be available on the Council's website, Love Middlesbrough magazine and other appropriate media, subject to the funding bid being successful
- u) That information on available school holiday provision to be circulated to all Chairs of School Governing Bodies, subject to the funding bid being successful

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ACRONYMS

APPG – All Party Parliamentary Group
DfE – Department for Education
FSM – Free School Meals
IMD – Index of Multiple Deprivation
MEC – Middlesbrough Environment City

BACKGROUND PAPERS

63. The following sources were consulted or referred to in preparing this report:

Reports to, and minutes of, the Children and Young People's Learning Scrutiny Panel meetings held on 25 June 2018, 16 July 2018, 17 September 2018 and 22 October 2018. Feast of Dun evaluation report.

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