

REPORT TO: COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 17 APRIL 2006

REPORT ON: DUNDEE COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP - ALLOCATION OF LOCAL ACTION FUND 2006-2007

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF LEISURE AND COMMUNITIES

REPORT NO: 226-2006

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report seeks approval for the allocation of grant awards from the Local Action Fund.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approves the allocation of grants outlined in Appendix 1.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The 12 grant awards can be met from external funding from the Scottish Executive under the Community Safety Local Action Fund Programme 2006-2008.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The awards seek to promote the creation of building strong, safe and attractive communities, a key community planning objective.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The various dimensions of the Council's Equality Schemes will continue to receive specific attention by the Community Safety Partnership.

6.0 BACKGROUND

6.1 At its meeting on 10 May 2004, the Committee approved the criteria and procedures for the Dundee Community Safety Partnership bid for external funding from the Scottish Executive under the Local Action Fund Programme for 2004-2005. The successful bid totalled £206,000.

6.2 On 18 November 2005 the Scottish Executive advised further funding extension of £185,000 per annum for 2006-2008.

6.3 Similar commissioning criteria is required for 2006-2008.

6.4 An important element of the commissioning is to ensure services have an impact on the strategic themes agreed by the Dundee Community Safety Partnership for 2006-2010, in particular "reducing crime and the fear of crime" and "reducing antisocial behaviour especially youth after 20.00 hours week days and at weekends".

6.5 Dundee Community Safety Partnership agreed at its meeting on 24 November 2005 to devolve a commissioning budget to the 3 local Community Learning and Development Partnerships (Youth Sub Groups) to assess and recommend proposed awards for Committee approval.

- 6.6 The Community Learning and Development structure allows for the localising of this award programme to allow the key local stakeholders, young people and local communities involvement in the best and most efficient use of resources.
- 6.7 Each area Community Learning and Development Partnership (Youth Sub Group) has been allocated £60,000 to disburse as per agreed criteria. £5,000 has been retained centrally for evaluation and promotional expenditure.
- 6.8 The existing application forms and guidance notes have been adapted for Community Learning and Development Partnership Sub Group local use.
The award assessment criteria and report templates are still valid and meet Scottish Executive Award criteria.
- 6.9 The Community Safety Section will continue to discharge the evaluation/audit and quality assurance requirements set by the Scottish Executive as award programme conditions.
- 6.10 All recommendations require Dundee City Council Committee approval to discharge Scottish Executive accountability and finance criteria.

7.0 CONSULTATION

- 7.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive, Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning), Depute Chief Executives (Finance and Support Services), Director of Education and the Dundee Community Safety Partnership/Children's Services Strategic Planning Group.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 None.

Signed: Stewart Murdoch
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Date: 7 April 2006

**LOCAL ACTION FUND 2006-2007
RECOMMENDATIONS OF LOCAL CLD GROUP**

Ref No	Application	Target Area	Purpose of Award	Total Cost	Award Requested	Award Recommended	Notes
CSG/LAF 1/06	Street Football for All - Diversionary Activity Project (Leisure and Communities)	West	Targets young people in places they choose to meet and provides a positive alternative to participation in antisocial behaviour.	£27,250	£27,250	£27,250	
CSG/LAF 2/06	Target - Diversionary Activity Project (Leisure and Communities)	West	Two Diversionary Workers to ensure Diversionary activity is direct, flexible and preventative in nature. Increasing the effectiveness of partners in co-ordinating resources.	£5,798	£5,798	£5,798	
CSG/LAF 3/06	Give Us a Break - Bike Project (Leisure and Communities)	West	Positive intervention which will equip young people with basic knowledge and skills with regards to bike safety. Promotion of individual and collective responsibility for property and safety within the community.	£11,631	£11,631	£11,631	

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CSG/LAF 4/06	Youth Sport Development Project West (Leisure and Communities)	West	Dance drop in as a diversionary activity increase the range of services within the local community for young people, particularly girls at peak antisocial times, evenings and weekends.	£2,016	£1,490	£1,490	
CSG/LAF 5/06	Youth Sports Development Project (Leisure and Communities)	Central	Provide 3 street football sessions as weekly diversionary activity.	£12,942	£12,192	£12,192	
CSG/LAF 6/06	Disc Target Project (Leisure and Communities)	Central	Diversionary drop in youth project.	£11,030	£11,030	£11,030	
CSG/LAF 7/06	Disc Friday Night Diversionary Project (Leisure and Communities)	Central	Diversionary drop in football project.	£10,491	£10,491	£10,491	
CSG/LAF 8/06	Youth Sports Development Project CRA5NE (Leisure and Communities)	Central	Three football drop in diversionary sessions.	£20,715	£6,615	£6,615	
CSG/LAF 9/06	Drop in Football Sessions - Dawson Park (Leisure and Communities)	East	Diversionary drop in football sessions.	£21,874	£16,876	£6,000	Application had been made initially for two year costs. Sum awarded represents cost required for 1 year.

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CSG/LAF 10/06	Bike-It Project (Social Work)	Central East	Community based diversionary BMX bike initiative.	£16,666	£10,066	£4,732 (Central) £5,334 (East)	
CSG/LAF 11/06	Dance 2 Advance (Leisure and Communities)	Central East	Uses the medium of dance to engage young people. Issue based work - uses Community Safety Themes.	£15,326	£6,500	£3,250 (Central) £3,250 (East)	
CSG/LAF 12/06	Hot Chocolate Project (Hot Chocolate Trust, The Steeple Nethergate)	City-wide	City centre based provision for young people who "hang around" the city churches. Partnership working with youth groups in West End/ Dudhope areas of Dundee. Support to Skaters with a Vision.	£37,350	£16,130	£5,400 (East) Deferred (Central) No award (West)	One third costs awarded by East area as project benefits them as third of city. Deferred by Central area for further discussion to prepare focussed bid in future. No award by West area as they see no obvious benefit to area.
CSG/LAF 13/06	Discovery Junior Cycling Club (Leisure and Communities)	City-wide	Cycling opportunities for young people at the weekend.	£3,660	£3,660	No award No award (Central) No award (East)	All areas agree application does not meet criteria

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CSG/LAF 14/06	Natural Connections Saturday Club (Leisure and Communities)	City-wide	Accredited outdoor learning programme.	£15,852	£15,852	No award	All areas agree application does not meet criteria.
Totals				£212,601	£155,581	£144,463	

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	West	Central	East	Combined Areas
* Total Funds Available	£60,000	£60,000	£60,000	£180,000
Less Recommendations This Report	£46,169	£48,310	£19,984	£114,463
New Balance Remaining	£13,831	£11,690	£40,016	£65,537

* NOTE: £5,000 held centrally.

