

**REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 11 JUNE 2007**

**REPORT ON: COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND SMALL GRANTS ALLOCATION  
2007/2008**

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**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 This report details the Community Regeneration Small Grants Fund 2005-2008 and makes recommendations on allocation to projects.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Committee:

- 2.1 Notes the process for allocating small grants through the Local Community Regeneration Forums as agreed by the Dundee Partnership.
- 2.2 Endorses the funding proposals contained in Section 8 of this report.

**3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 This report recommends the allocation of £39,469 the Community Regeneration Small Grants Fund. Provision for a Small Grants programme was previously agreed (Committee Report 743-2004) by Dundee Partnership.
- 3.2 Dundee City Council has agreed to act as the accountable body for the Community Regeneration Fund on behalf of the Dundee Partnership (Committee Report 743-2004). There are no direct financial implications for Dundee City Council arising from this report.

**4. SUSTAINABILITY POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 There is a close relationship between the Council's Anti Poverty targets and the focus of the Community Regeneration Programme. The revenue expenditure proposals contained within this report are intended to meet local needs. The proposals also seek to assist with implementation of the Dundee Partnership's Community Regeneration Strategy, and as such the measures contained in this report will address numerous anti-poverty priorities.
- 4.2 This report does not require any additional action in relation to Strategic Environmental Assessment.

**5. EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The resources made available through the Community Regeneration Fund for geographic neighbourhoods are targeted on those areas which fall within the most disadvantaged 15% of datazone in the 2004 Scottish Index for Multiple Deprivation. The funding made available is intended to have the effect of equalling opportunities.

## 6. BACKGROUND

- 6.1 In 2004 the Minister for Communities announced the establishment of a new £104 million Community Regeneration Fund (CRF). The CRF replaces the existing Social Inclusion Partnership (SIP) and Better Neighbourhood Services Fund (BNSF) programmes.
- 6.2 Community Regeneration Funding is expected to be targeted at the most deprived 15% of areas of Dundee as identified by the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation 2004. There are 51 such areas in Dundee with a population of approximately 40,000 based predominantly on the existing SIP1 and 2 communities. These areas have been collected into five clusters across the city which are defined as Community Regeneration Areas. (see Committee Report 743-2004)
- 6.3 Dundee has been allocated £17.367 million over the 3 years, 2005-2008.

## 7. MANAGING THE COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND

- 7.1 Procedures for allocating the Community Regeneration Fund were approved by Policy and Resources Committee in December 2004 (Committee Report 743-2004). In summary the key decisions were:
- a) Dundee City Council will act as accountable body reporting to the Dundee Partnership.
  - b) The overall responsibility for decisions on the Community Regeneration Fund will be taken formally by the Dundee Partnership Management Group.
  - c) Allocations to local priorities will be made by Local Community Regeneration Forums utilising devolved budgets. The local allocation process is given below.

1. Dundee Partnership invites applications for CRF through extensive network of stakeholders and organisations. The application form and guidance notes give explicit directions regarding match to outcomes and clear, measurable outputs.
2. Applications are screened by the CRF Co-ordinator, Regeneration staff and partner agencies to ensure match to outcomes, strategic fit, value for money and focus on Community Regeneration Areas or thematic priority groups. Applications will either be rejected at this stage or endorsed by Building Stronger Communities Group.
3. Satisfactory applications are passed to Local Community Regeneration Forums for consideration. Greater scrutiny is applied to match with local needs and local community plans. Further opinion is sought from wider communities before decisions taken and recommended to Dundee Partnership.
4. Recommendations from LCRF's endorsed formally by Dundee Partnership.
5. Allocations reported to Policy and Resources Committee of Dundee City Council as accountable body.
6. Offer of Grant made to projects.
7. Monitoring and Evaluation initiated.

## 8. FUNDING ALLOCATION

8.1 The local Small Grants allocations proposed in this report are summarised below:

	<b>CRA1</b>	<b>CRA2</b>	<b>CRA3</b>	<b>CRA4</b>	<b>CRA5</b>	<b>Total</b>
Total devolved allocation	£25,000	£25,000	£25,000	£25,000	£25,000	£125,000
Previously Allocated	£8,093	£1,433	£6,300	£4,820	£1,470	£22,116
Current Proposals	£266	£7,680	£17,148	£9,970	£4,405	£39,469
Still Available	£16,641	£15,887	£1,552	£10,210	£19,125	£63,415

8.2 The proposals contained in Appendix A recommend the allocation of £39,469 from local budgets.

8.3 The Community Regeneration Areas are as follows:

CRA1	Ardler/St Mary's/Kirkton
CRA2	Menzieshill/Charleston/Lochee/Beechwood
CRA3	Mill O Mains/Fintry/Whitfield
CRA4	Stobswell/Hilltown/Fairmuir
CRA5	Mid Craigie/Linlathen/Douglas

## 9. CONSULTATION

9.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), the Directors of Housing, Social Work, Education, Planning & Transportation, Dundee Contract Services and Head of Waste Management.

9.2 Partnership agencies, community representatives and voluntary sector representatives have also been consulted and involved in the assessment of applications, and the formation of recommendations contained in this report.

## 10. BACKGROUND REPORTS

10.1 Report to Policy and Resources Committee, April 2005, Report No 244-2005, Community Regeneration Fund Allocation of Resources, 2005-6

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**Appendix A**  
**Community Regeneration Fund Small Grants Allocation 2007/2008**

No	Project Title/Applicant	Area	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested	Grant Award
1.46	Dundee Cyrenians	Menzieshill/ Charleston/ Lochee/ Beechwood	Funding requested to establish white goods re-use workshop. Aiming to provide good quality furniture for people in the CRF areas	£5,500	£1,000	£1,000
1.47	Charleston Neighbourhood Centre Leisure and Communities Department	Menzieshill/ Charleston/ Lochee/ Beechwood	Two workers to deliver drama classes to young people in Charleston and to work with children and young people with behavioural issues	£4,910	£4,910	£2,780
1.51	Ancrum Road Primary School <b>Education Department</b>	Menzieshill/ Charleston/ Lochee/ Beechwood	Costs towards a residential for children from CRF area	£10,400	£1,500	£1,500
1.52	Headway	Menzieshill/ Charleston/ Lochee/ Beechwood	To help volunteers provide support groups for brain injured people. They provide a lunch club, crafts and other activities to help with motor skills etc	£2,400	£2,400	£2,400
2.89	Lookin Good	St Marys/ Ardler/Kirkton	To purchase resources to showcase/celebrate the regeneration of Kirkton over the period of the last 10 years	£416	£266	£266
3.59	Dundee North Law Centre	Stobswell/ Hilltown/ Farmuir	To update obsolete computing equipment. This is necessary to improve the efficiency of the administration and services in the centre	£6,180	£1,000	£1,000
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3.66	Changing Horizons	Menziesshill/ Charleston/ Lochee/ Beechwood	Music and Arts - employ a qualified Youth Worker to co-ordinate and facilitate a programme of learning, utilising media - guitar, keyboards, percussion, dance, arts and crafts employing specialist tutors to delivery individual learning programmes	£4,970	£4,970	£2,500
3.68	Hearing Voices Network	Stobswell/ Hilltown/ Fairmuir	Scottish Mental Health First Aid Instructor training course for one network member	£500	£500	£500
3.69	Grey Lodge Youth Groups	Stobswell/ Hilltown/ Fairmuir	Contribution towards decoration, chairs and floor covering for youth 'chill room' and purchase of laptop and hi-fi system	£2,870	£1,970	£1,970
3.72	Friends of Baxter Park	Stobswell/ Hilltown/ Fairmuir	Contribution towards annual event of Celebration in the Park which provides information on various community services and activities for young people and children o the day	£13,000	£3,000	£3,000
4.64	22nd Fintry Scout Group	Mill O'Mains/ Fintry/ Whitfield	Improve heating system within the scout hut	£2,185	£2,185	£2,185
4.65	Dundee Cyrenians	Mill O'Mains/ Fintry/ Whitfield	To provide employment and training for unemployed and homeless clients who are referred	£5,500	£1,000	£1,000
4.66	Whitfield Inclusion Network Group - Out and About Programme	Mill O'Mains/ Fintry/ Whitfield	To encourage families to participate in activities throughout the year in the north east area	£2,400	£2,400	£2,400
4.70	Dunbar park Owners Occupiers Residents Association (DOORA)	Mill O'Mains/ Fintry/ Whitfield	This recently set up group involving residents in the Dunbar Park area of Whitfield wish to provide a newsletter (4 per yea) promoting the group and issues in the area	£200	£200	£200

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4.73/1	Mill O'Mains Youth Group	Mill O'Mains/ Fintry/ Whitfield	Contribution towards subsidised travel and admission costs to allow families in the Mill O' Mains area to participate in school holiday activities	£3,715	£2,650	£2,650
4.73/2	Fintry North Youth Project	Mill O'Mains/ Fintry/ Whitfield	Contribution towards subsidised travel and admission costs to allow families in the Fintry area to participate in school holiday activities	£3,715	£2,650	£2,650
4.73/3	North East Children and Young People's Team <b>Leisure and Communities Department</b>	Mill O'Mains/ Fintry/ Whitfield	Contribution towards subsidised travel and admission costs to allow families in the Whitfield area to participate in school holiday activities	£3,715	£2,650	£2,650
4.74	Whitfest - Whitfield Community Centre Local Management Group	Mill O'Mains/ Fintry/ Whitfield	To provide a two week programme of creative activities for children and families	£3,100	£2,400	£2,400
4.76	North East Jobs Fair Planning Group	Mill O'Mains/ Fintry/ Whitfield	To assist unemployed people in the north east opportunities to gain employment	£1,013	1,013	£1,013
5.45	Midlin Festival Committee	Mid Craigie/ Linlathen/ Douglas	Festival day bringing Mid Craigie and Linlathen together - parade, demonstrations, entertainers, hire of bands, insurance and hire of barriers	£2,350	£2,000	£2,000
5.46	Douglas and Midcraigie Church	Mid Craigie/ Linlathen/ Douglas	To purchase equipment for a community café and to provide training for volunteers (health and safety, first aid and basic good hygiene)	£20,825	£2,245	£2,245
5.47	50+ Elderly and Disabled Group - Mid Craigie and Linlathen	Mid Craigie/ Linlathen/ Douglas	Contribution to transport for summer trip	£310	£160	£160