

REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 12 NOVEMBER 2012

REPORT ON: DUNDEE COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND 2012/13

REPORT BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

REPORT NO: 428-2012

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report confirms the Community Regeneration Fund allocations for 2012/13 and makes recommendations for grants.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that committee approves the funding proposals contained in section 5 of this report.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 This report makes allocations from the Dundee Community Regeneration Fund which was approved at Policy and Resources Committee of 7 December 2009. An allocation of £125,000 was available to each of the Community Regeneration Forums in the city for each of the three years from 2010/11. The budgets available, including approved carry forwards, are set out in paragraph 5.1.

3.2 Grants of £47,801 are recommended in this report.

4. BACKGROUND

4.1 Policy and Resources Committee on 7 December 2009 approved Report No 58-2010 which set out arrangements for the mainstreaming of the Fairer Scotland Fund. This included the commitment to continue to make funding available to community regeneration forums to support local regeneration activity.

4.2 The community regeneration forums have been recognised by the Scottish Government as best practice. They are a strong democratic means of identifying and responding to local need, promote community empowerment and capacity building and work well in representing a community regeneration perspective within Local Community Planning Partnerships.

4.3 Report No 84-2010 on 22 February 2010 approved the arrangements for making allocations for the six wards with data zones identified as within the most disadvantaged 15% in Scotland as defined by the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation 2008. These are Coldside, East End, Lochee, Maryfield, North East and Strathmartine.

4.4 Each forum had an annual allocation of £125,000 for each of the three years 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13.

4.5 The process by which Dundee City Council allocates funding to local projects through community regeneration forums was agreed by Policy and Resources Committee in December 2004 (Report No 743-2004). The same procedures apply to the Dundee Community Regeneration Fund.

- 4.6 Community regeneration forums will be invited to allocate funding of up to £25,000 on small grants, and no less than £100,000 on diversionary and preventative youth work or physical improvements.

5. FUNDING ALLOCATIONS AND PROPOSALS

- 5.1 The budget for each community regeneration forum is summarised below, together with allocations proposed in this report. These include agreed carry forwards from 2011/12.

Dundee Partnership Fund 2012-13

Local Forum	Total Allocation (inc. 2011/12 carry forward)	Previously Allocated	Current Proposals	Still Available
Coldside	£125,000	£84,468	£0	£40,532
East End	£125,000	£90,594	£1,660	£32,746
Lochee	£161,424	£87,051	£1,160	£73,213
Maryfield	£137,026	£65,400	£23,481	£48,145
North East	£136,816	£79,655	£21,500	£35,661
Strathmartine	£165,156	£129,288	£0	£35,868
Total	£850,422	£536,456	£47,801	£266,165

- 5.2 The proposals contained in Appendix A recommend the allocation from local budgets of £47,801.

6 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The community regeneration process has previously been screened for policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-poverty and Risk Management.

The Equality Impact Assessment carried out for Report No 507-2010 in September 2010 fully addresses the proposals in this report and is available on the Council website <http://www.dundee.gov.uk/equanddiv/equimpact/>.

- 6.2 The resources made available through the Dundee Community Regeneration Fund are targeted on those areas which fall within the most disadvantaged 15% of data zones in the 2008 Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation. This funding is intended to tackle a range of inequalities.

7 CONSULTATIONS

- 7.1 The Director of Corporate Services and the Head of Democratic and Legal Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report.
- 7.2 Partner 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.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 Report to Policy and Resources Committee, December 2004, Report No 743-2004.
- 8.2 Report to Policy and Resources Committee, December 2009, Report No 591-2009.

8.3 Equality Impact Assessment Report.

8.4 Report to Policy and Resources Committee, June 2012, Report No 225-2012

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Ref No.	Applicant	Ward	Description of Project	Total Project Costs	Amount Requested	Forum Decision Amount
EE021	Under 12's Project	East End	To purchase folding chairs and tables and two cookers for use within the project. This will enable better access by adults attending with their children and allow continuation of the 'Young Cooks' group. Approximately 25 adults and 80 children use the centre weekly.	£1,693	£1,129	£1,129
EEP004	Environment Department	East End	To install a safety barrier at the approach to Dighty Bridge, improving safety for local residents walking in the area.	£531	£531	£531
L022	Lochee Relaxation Group	Lochee	To purchase a range of arts and crafts equipment and materials and to hold a professionally led Arts Therapy session. The group currently has 14 members.	£274	£274	£150
L023	Dundee Healthy Living Initiative	Lochee	Contribution towards the purchase of 400 Aquafit tickets from Dundee Leisure to provide a subsidy on Aquafit classes for local people. More than 60 people are expected to benefit from the activity.	£880	£880	£500
L024	Charleston Mosaic Making Group	Lochee	To purchase equipment and materials to start up a local mosaic group. Local residents will create mosaics for display at the community centre covering themes relevant to ongoing change in the community.	£510	£510	£510
M016	Boomerang Youth Café	Maryfield	For the purchase of two art work storage units for No1 youth cafe. This will enable 14 of young people attending the Youth Café to safely store their art in between sessions.	£443	£443	£443

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MY011	The Corner; Health Information & Peer Led Services	Maryfield	To contribute to the attendance of 20 Peer Educators from Morgan Academy at the Peer Education / Health Buddies residential weekend. This enables young people to work together and develop useful skills for delivery of peer education to P7 pupils in cluster schools.	£4,128	£902	£902
MY012	Morgan Academy	Maryfield	To fund cinema tickets and transport for a reward trip for 310 S1/S2 pupils who have completed the Level 5 'Good Behaviour Award'.	£1,690	£1,690	£1,690
MY014	Central Youth Team	Maryfield	To purchase new equipment for the DISC Target Project participants and peer volunteers to ensure the Project continues to run the football sessions. Approximately 120 young people take part in sessions each week.	£63,146	£3,446	£3,446
MP008	Housing Department	Maryfield	To fund the removal and thinning of trees throughout the Lilybank area and to replace some of the existing trees. This will complement other work being done on paths and steps in the area.	£6,500	£5,000	£5,000
MP009	Housing Department	Maryfield	To improve the street lighting on Crescent Lane and to replace the non-functioning lights in the areas between residents homes. This will help improve security in the area and also complements other work being carried out.	£29,450	£12,000	£12,000

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NEP004	Environment Department	North East	To install ten new park benches across Fintry Park, Mill O' Mains Park, Cheviot Crescent and Whitfield Green, in sites from which benches have previously been removed due to disrepair.	£6,500	£6,500	£6,500
NEP005	Environment Department	North East	Additional funding towards play equipment as part of the development of the local park in Mill O'Mains. Other aspects of the development include seating, planting, environmental works and exercise equipment.	£65,000	£15,000	£15,000