

REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 22 FEBRUARY 2010
REPORT ON: DUNDEE COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND 2010/11 - 2012/13
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report confirms the Community Regeneration Fund allocations for 2010/11 - 2012/13 and makes recommendations for grants.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

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

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 This report establishes the Dundee Community Regeneration Fund which was approved at Policy and Resources Committee of 7 December 2009. An allocation of £125,000 is available by each of the Community Regeneration Forums in the city for each of the three years from 2010/11.

3.2 Grants of £15,027 are commended 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 It was agreed that forums will become coterminous with local community planning partnerships and as a result there will be six community regeneration forums active in the six wards with datazones 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 The previous total budget of £750,000 per annum is retained and each forum will have 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 will apply to the Dundee Community Regeneration Fund.

- 4.6 Community regeneration forums will be invited to allocate funding of up to £25,000 small grants, up to £50,000 on diversionary and preventative youth work and no less than £50,000 on 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.

Local Forum	Total Allocation	Previously Allocated	Current Proposals	Still Available
Coldside	125,000	0	0	125,000
East End	125,000	0	0	125,000
Lochee	125,000	0	0	125,000
Maryfield	125,000	0	0	125,000
North East	125,000	0	15,027	109,973
Strathmartine	125,000	0	0	125,000
Total	750,000	0	15,027	734,973

- 5.2 The proposals contained in Appendix A recommend the allocation of £15,027 from local budgets.

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, Equality Impact assessment and Risk Management.
- 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 datazones in the 2008 Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation. This funding is intended to tackle a range of inequalities.

7 CONSULTATIONS

- 7.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive and the Director of Finance
- 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.

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Fairer Scotland Fund - 2010/2011

No.	Project Title/Applicant	Area	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested	Grant Award
YD/NEY001	Fintry North Youth Project	Mill O'Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	Activities for 5 to 8's and 8 to 12's in the North Fintry area. 4 sessions per week for 46 weeks. Will include additional health workshops for the older group provided by The Shore.	£30,277	£15,027	£15,027