REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 12 JUNE 2006

REPORT ON: COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES

2006/2007

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report details the Community Regeneration Funding available to the Dundee Partnership for 2005-8 and makes recommendations on allocation to projects.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Committee:

- 2.1 Notes the process for allocating funding through 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 £106,655 from the Community Regeneration Fund. Further detail is presented in Section 8.
- 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. LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There is a close relationship between Local Agenda 21 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; as such the measures contained in this report will impact on numerous agenda 21 targets.

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 replaced 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. These areas have been collected into five clusters across the city which are defined as Community Regeneration Areas. (see Committee Report 743-2004)

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:
 - Dundee City Council will act as accountable body reporting to the Dundee a) Partnership.
 - The overall responsibility for decisions on the Community Regeneration Fund will b) 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 detailed 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.
- 7.2 Dundee was allocated £17.367 million over 3 years. Including carry forward from year one, the budget for 2006/7 is £6,633,484. Taking into account previous decisions, £1,146,345 is available for Community Regeneration Forums to allocate in 2006/7.

8. **FUNDING ALLOCATION**

The local allocations and funding recommendations proposed in this report are 8.1 summarised below:

	CRA1	CRA2	CRA3	CRA4	CRA5	TOTAL
Total devolved allocation	£92,143	£319,864	£105,112	£246,125	£383,101	£1,146,345
Previously allocated	£86,510	£145,818	£91,454	£79,670	£92,535	£495,987
Current Proposals	£0	£19,085	£0	£11,782	£75,788	£106,655
Still available	£5,633	£154,961	£13,658	£154,673	£214,788	£543,703

- 8.2 The projects contained in Appendix A recommend the allocation of £106,655 to be met from the CRF Budget for 2006/7. Each project has been assessed as directly contributing to the Dundee Partnership Regeneration Outcomes, complementing broad partnership strategies and meeting needs expressed in local community plans.
- 8.3 To facilitate greater consistency across information collection and presentation across departments, the Community Regeneration Areas have been renumbered as follows:

CRA1 Ardler/St Mary's/Kirkto

CRA2 Menzieshill/Charleston/Lochee/Beechwood

Mill O Mains/Fintry/Whitfield CRA3 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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Community Regeneration Fund - Core

No	Project Title/Applicant	Area(s)	Project Description	Financial Year	Funding Awarded	Comments
162	Community Transport Association Dundee Community Transport Association	Stobswell/Hilltown/Fairmuir Mid Craigie/Linlathen/Douglas	Fund a part time worker for 1 year, to promote an integrated, accessible and sustainable transport service for clients	2006-2007	£5,594	
172	Douglas Environmental Improvement Housing Dept	Mid Craigie/Linlathen/Douglas	To remove perimeter fencing, supply paint, galvanised trip rail and access gate.	2006-2007	£56,891	
173	Dreamcatchers Project Circles Around Dundee	Menzieshill/Charleston/Lochee/Beechwood Stobswell/Hilltown/Fairmuir	Staff to facilitate, provide administration and deliver training. To employ individuals with learning disabilities and/or autism as cotrainers, office rental and expenses, training for staff, service users and committee members.	2006-2008	£5,970	
202	Peer Education Project Leisure & Communities	Stobswell/Hilltown/Fairmuir	Additional funding to cover costs of event for Peer educators	2006-2007	£6,000	Additional funding
214	Women's Aid Dundee Women's Aid	Menzieshill/Charleston/Lochee/Beechwood Mid Craigie/Linlathen/Douglas	To reach the 'hidden' women and children that are not currently accessing support.	2006-2008	£32,200	

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91- NEY02/06	North East Summer Provision for Under 12's North East Development Team	Mill 'o' Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	To purchase resource packs for use by providers of children's and youth work over the summer and autumn programmes	2006-2007	£3,300	NE Youth Strategy
91- NEY03/06	Fintry Library Community Garden Fintry Library	Mill 'o' Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	To transform a small area adjacent to the Fintry library into a useable space with a garden area	2006-2007	£2,200	NE Youth Strategy
91- NEY04/06	Self Defence for Young People Braeview Academy	Mill 'o' Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	Instructor costs to provide a pilot course for 12 young people on martial arts	2006-2007	£225	NE Youth Strategy
91- NEY05/06	Whitfield Summer Initiative Youth Team Finmill	Mill 'o' Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	Resources for youth workers to deliver a personal development programme to young people who have been identified as being involved in offending or anti social behaviour	2006-2007	£500	NE Youth Strategy
91- NEY06/06	FLICK Community Project	Mill 'o' Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	To purchase new equipment for this existing project which is for 12-16 year olds	2006-2007	£500	NE Youth Strategy
91- NEY07/06	North East Youth Capacity Project	Mill 'o' Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	To fund a full-time worker for a 6 month pilot period to set up and facilitate youth capacity groups	2006-2007	£13,052	NE Youth Strategy

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115(n)	Dance/DJ Project Factory Skatepark	CRA5	To run a weekly art and dance/DJ based project at the Factory Skatepark	2006-2007	£480	SE Youth Strategy
115(q)	Summer Programme for Under 12's Douglas Community & Library Centre	CRA5	To provide Under 12's provision, throughout July 2006, offering a three-week programme, 3 July-21 July. To include sports based activities, art, music, recycling projects, healthy eating and excursions		£2,290	SE Youth Strategy
115(r)	Summer Holiday Programme Mid Craigie and Linlathen Under 12's Project	CRA5	To provide a six week programme of summer activities for children and families living in the Mid Craigie and Linlathen areas	2006-2007	£4,000	SE Youth Strategy
115(s)	Midlin Youth Summer Programme Hub Library & Learning Centre	CRA5	To provide a programme of activities for young people in the Mid Craigie and Linlathen areas. The target age group will be 12-20 years of age, providing outdoor educational activities and sports events	2006-2007	£4,400	SE Youth Strategy
115(t)	Summer Activities for Young People 2006 Douglas Community & Library Centre	CRA5	To provide a programme of activities including diversionary activities, workshops and excursions for young people aged 11-16 years resident in Douglas.	2006-2007	£4,160	SE Youth Strategy

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115(u)	Multi Sports Activities for Under 12's Douglas Community & Library Centre	CRA5	To provide six week taster sessions, focusing on various team games including football, basketball, netball, indoor hockey, fitkids (body combat/kickboxing) and many more	2006-2007	£2,325	SE Youth Strategy
115(v)	Boomerang Club Douglas Community & Library Centre	CRA5	To provide a programme of summer activities for children whilst parents at work, covering a four week period	2006-2007	£1,500	SE Youth Strategy
115(w)	Showcase the Street Douglas Community & Library Centre	CRA5	To provide yearly membership for young local people to access dance/media/theatre venue	2006-2007	£1,536	SE Youth Strategy
115(x)	The Factory Skatepark	CRA5	To provide reduced membership, entrance fees and free equipment hire for young people	2006-2007	£12,200	SE Youth Strategy