

**REPORT TO:** CITY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – 29 FEBRUARY 2024  
**REPORT ON:** COMMUNITY LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICE DELIVERY  
**REPORT BY:** EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES  
**REPORT NO.** 49-2024

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to set out proposed changes to the delivery of the Community Learning and Development Service. Approval is sought to introduce these changes for 2024/25.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 It is recommended committee approves the changes as set out in section 4 and summarised at 4.4.

**3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The changes set out in this report generate a saving of £74,000 towards the delivery of a balanced budget for the City Council financial year 24/25.

3.2 These savings will be achieved through deletion of vacant posts and removal of Youth Fund revenue budget

**4.0 MAIN TEXT**

4.1 All areas of the CLD service have been looked at to identify where there could be changes to respond to budget pressures whilst still meeting our statutory requirements.

4.2 **Youth Parliament and Dundee Youth Forum.** It is planned to change the current model of providing dedicated staff support to Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament (MSYP) and Dundee Youth Forum. There is not a statutory requirement for this to be a dedicated stand-alone support and it will be allocated as part of the area youth work teams. Individual and groupwork support to MSYP's and Dundee Youth Council will continue to be provided through core CLD Youth Work Provision. This will generate a saving of £49,000.

4.3 **Youth Fund.** A dedicated Youth Fund has been administered through Participatory Budgeting and has provided amounts of up to £2,500 for organisations to bid into and the final spend has been decided by young people through an online vote. The organisations who bid in are not dependent on this funding for their core delivery. The fund, in the main, supported non-essential additional opportunities and activities, therefore it is proposed discontinue this fund, which generates a saving of £25,000.

4.4 In summary, the changes in services provided will generate a saving of £74,000 towards the 2024/25 Neighbourhood Services revenue budget.

**5. POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 This report has been subject to an Integrated Impact Assessment to identify impacts on Equality & Diversity, Fairness & Poverty, Environment and Corporate Risk. An impact, positive or negative, on one or more of these issues was identified. An appropriate senior manager has checked and agreed with this assessment. A copy of the Integrated Impact Assessment showing the impacts and accompanying benefits of/ mitigating factors for them is included as an Appendix to this report.

**6. CONSULTATIONS**

6.1 The Council Leadership Team have been consulted on the preparation of this report and agree with its contents.

**7. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

7.1 None.

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# Integrated Impact Assessment

Committee Report Number: 49-2024

Document Title: COMMUNITY LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICE DELIVERY

Document Type: Service

Description:

committee report setting out proposed changes to the delivery of the Community Learning and Development Service.

Intended Outcome:

Generate a saving of 74,000 towards the delivery of a balanced budget for Neighbourhood Services financial year 24/25 by the deletion of a vacant post and removal of Youth fund

Period Covered: 25/01/2024 to 27/02/2024

Monitoring:

Annual service returns will show if there is any reduction in Youth Council members. The youth fund is one off non recurring funding the impact will not be subject to ongoing monitoring other than feedback from the youth work network.

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# Equality, Diversity and Human Rights

## Impacts & Implications

Age: Negative

The removal of the Youth fund budget will have a negative impact by reducing the range of additional activities provided for young people by the organisations who have successfully received the funding in the past. However, the organisations who bid in are not dependent on this funding for their core delivery. The fund, in the main, supported non-essential additional opportunities and activities. Organisations can access support to apply to other external funds,

Disability: No Impact

Gender Reassignment: No Impact

Marriage & Civil Partnership: No Impact

Pregnancy & Maternity: No Impact

Race / Ethnicity: No Impact

Religion or Belief: No Impact

Sex: Negative

Girls only groups have benefitted from this fund for residentials to mitigate any negative impacts other external funding would need to be sought

Sexual Orientation: Negative

LGBT+ youth have received money from this fund for specific work .To mitigate any negative impact other external funding would need to be sought

Are any Human Rights not covered by the Equalities questions above impacted by this report?

No

## Fairness & Poverty

### Geographic Impacts & Implications

Strathmartine:	Negative
Lochee:	Negative
Coldside:	Negative
Maryfield:	Negative
North East:	Negative
East End:	Negative
The Ferry:	Negative
West End:	Negative

Negative Implications & Mitigations:

This will see a reduction in the additional one off additional activities youth organisations have provided in communities thought this fund. There will be no impact on groups core services as this fund was for one off non recurring activities or equipment. Additional support will be given to the organisations to look at other funding sources.

# Household Group Impacts and Implications

Looked After Children & Care Leavers: No Impact

Carers: No Impact

Lone Parent Families: Negative

This fund is not directly targeted at lone parent families but the organisations who have received funding in the past will have young people from lone parents families who may have benefited from the free additional activities and resources . To provide this additional support the organisations will need to access external funding and may require support from DVVA or DCC to do this.

Single Female Households with Children: Negative

This fund is not directly targeted at single female household but the organisations who have received funding in the past will have young people from single female households who may have benefited from the free additional activities and resources . To provide this additional support the organisations will need to access external funding and may require support from DVVA or DCC to do this.

Greater number of children and/or young children: No Impact

Pensioners - single / couple: No Impact

Unskilled workers or unemployed: No Impact

Serious & enduring mental health problems: No Impact

Homeless: No Impact

Drug and/or alcohol problems: No Impact

Offenders & Ex-offenders: No Impact

## Socio Economic Disadvantage Impacts & Implications

Employment Status: No Impact

Education & Skills: No Impact

Income: No Impact

Caring Responsibilities (including Childcare): No Impact

Affordability and accessibility of services: No Impact

Fuel Poverty: No Impact

Cost of Living / Poverty Premium: No Impact

Connectivity / Internet Access: No Impact

Income / Benefit Advice / Income Maximisation No Impact

Employment Opportunities: No Impact

Education: No Impact

Health: No Impact

Life Expectancy: No Impact

Mental Health: Negative

some of the youth organisation funded cited positive mental health impacts and whilst this fund does not support their core activities any additional work to support mental health would need to be secured through other external funding. This can be supported by DCC or DVVA or potentially Youth Link .

Overweight / Obesity: No Impact

Child Health: No Impact

Neighbourhood Satisfaction: No Impact

Transport: No Impact

## **Environment**

### **Climate Change Impacts**

Mitigating Greenhouse Gases: No Impact

Adapting to the effects of climate change: No Impact

### **Resource Use Impacts**

Energy efficiency & consumption: No Impact

Prevention, reduction, re-use, recovery or recycling of waste: No Impact

Sustainable Procurement: No Impact

### **Transport Impacts**

Accessible transport provision: No Impact

Sustainable modes of transport: No Impact

### **Natural Environment Impacts**

Air, land & water quality: No Impact

Biodiversity: No Impact

Open & green spaces: No Impact

## **Built Environment Impacts**

Built Heritage: No Impact

Housing: No Impact

Is the proposal subject to a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)?

No further action is required as it does not qualify as a Plan, Programme or Strategy as defined by the Environment Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005.

## **Corporate Risk**

### **Corporate Risk Impacts**

Political Reputational Risk: Negative

Youth organisation and young people may raise complaints with elected members about the removal of this fund. It would be highlighted that this is not a cut to any organisations core budget and that they can be directed to support from DCC or DVVA to seek other external funding.

Economic/Financial Sustainability / Security & Equipment: No Impact

Social Impact / Safety of Staff & Clients: No Impact

Technological / Business or Service Interruption: No Impact

Environmental: No Impact

Legal / Statutory Obligations: No Impact

Organisational / Staffing & Competence: No Impact

Corporate Risk Implications & Mitigation:

The risk implications associated with the subject matter of this report are "business as normal" risks and any increase to the level of risk to the Council is minimal. This is due either to the risk being inherently low or as a result of the risk being transferred in full or in part to another party on a fair and equitable basis. The subject matter is routine and has happened many times before without significant impact.