REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 22 APRIL 2013

REPORT ON: DUNDEE COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND 2012/13

REPORT BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

**REPORT NO:** 197-2013

#### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report confirms the Community Regeneration Fund allocations for 2013/14 and makes recommendations for grants in 2013/14.

# 2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 It is recommended that committee approves the allocations to the Community Regeneration Forum for 2013/14 and funding proposals contained in section 5 of this report.

## 3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 This report recommends the allocation of £125,000 to each of the city's Community Regeneration Forums for the year 2013/14. The total budgets available, including approved carry forwards, are set out in para 5.1
- 3.2 Grants of £55,503 are recommended from the allocations for 2013/14.

#### 4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Policy and Resources Committee in December 2009 approved Report No 591-2009 which made 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 The rationale for the allocation of funding to Community Regeneration Forums was approved by Policy and Resources Committee in February 2010 (Report No 84-2010). Allocations of £125,000 per annum were made to wards which continued datazones identified as within the most disadvantaged 15% in Scotland as defined by the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation 2008. These were Coldside, East End, Lochee, Maryfield, North East and Strathmartine. The recent Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation 2012 confirms that these six wards contain the datazones in Dundee which are the most disadvantaged 15% in Scotland. The West End and The Ferry wards have no datazones in this category.
- 4.4 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.

4.5 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 2012/13.

Local Forum	Total Allocation	Previously Allocated	Current Proposals	Still Available
Coldside	£125,000	£12,329	£3,525	£109,146
East End	£125,111	£40,688	£10,208	£74,215
Lochee	£125,000	£45,213	£6,900	£72,887
Maryfield	£125,000	£7,675	£0	£117,325
North East	£125,000	£38,323	£19,107	£67,570
Strathmartine	£125,011	£38,582	£15,763	£70,666
Total	£750,122	£182,810	£55,503	£511,809

5.2 The proposals contained in Appendix A recommend the allocation from local budgets of £55,503.

## 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.

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 2012 Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation. This funding is intended to tackle a range of inequalities. The targeting of additional resources into areas of deprivation to tackle inequalities are at the heart of the Scottish Government's public service reform agenda. A commitment to 'close the gap' in outcomes is expected of all community planning partnerships in Scotland.

## 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		Amount Requested	Forum Decision Amount
C1302	Coldside Community Forum	Coldside	To hold a Fun Day in Hilltown Park on 20th July. The plan for the day is to have lots of fun free activity for approximately 500 people of all ages. This will create a greater sense of community spirit.	£3,885	£3,525	£3,525
EE1301	Factory Skate Park	East End	To contribute towards the cost of a Community Fun Day with a range of activities planned, with approximately 800 people expected to attend.	£3,030	£1,500	£1,500
EEY1303	Factory Skate Park	East End	To provide youth diversionary activities consisting of a holiday programme with 25 places per week, a homework club with 25 places, and twelve youth club courses spread across the year with space. Over 100 young people to benefit across the year.	£59,645	£19,076	£8,708
L1302	Drop Inn Community Café – Lochee Parish Church	Lochee	To continue running the drop-in café for two sessions each week, with a view to running a drop in session with the older people as well as sessions supported by professionals from DHLI, Addaction, Crossreach and the Carers Association.	£2,000	£1,900	£1,900
L1303	Lochee Boys/Girls Club	Lochee	To replace the kitchen in the Boxing Club, as the current one is not up to required standards. This will help to bring other community groups into the club, and see the kitchen benefiting approximately 300 people during the year.	£7,500	£5,000	£5,000
NE 1304	Finmill Centre LMG	North East	To add large amusement rides to the attractions on offer at the Fintry Gala Day which aims to have 1000 attendees. The rides will encourage more participation from older children / teenagers.	£2,145	£1,300	£1,300

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NE1305	Whitfield Community Centre LMG	North East	To fund Whitfest 2013, a week long programme of events that will benefit approximately 660 local people and encourage a greater sense of community spirit.		£1,800	£1,800
NE1306	Whitfield Community Centre LMG	North East	To provide tutors and materials for Arts and Crafts classes that will benefit approximately 22 local people each week.	£2,300	£2,300	£1,400
NE1307	Mill O'Mains Tenants & Residents Association	North East	To employ an Environmental Artist and provide materials for art classes for 250 local people, with the aim of creating a number of community art works and increasing the use of local green spaces by residents.	£5,500	£5,000	£3,500
NE1308	Ormiston, Inveresk & Salton Residents Association	North East	To fund fresh fruit for approximately 50 local children and youth people, twice per week at children's club and youth club sessions.	£500	£500	£500
NEY1305	Finmill Community Centre LMG	North East	To continue to fund a structured program of activities each week during term time and a four week holiday programme for local children aged five to nine.	£8,942	£4,657	£4,297
NEY1306	Whitfield Community Centre LMG	North East	To fund a range of term time activities for children under twelve, including arts and crafts and visits to the Ancrum Activity Centre. In all, approximately 125 local children are expected to participate.	£4,840	£4,840	£4,320

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NEY1307	Whitfield Community Centre LMG	North East	To fund a range of holiday activities for children under twelve, including arts and crafts and trips. In all, approximately 250 local children are expected to participate.	£2,000	£2,000	£1,300
NEY1308	Whitfield Community Centre LMG	North East	To fund a sessional Youth Worker who will work with a group of approximately 15 local girls on a weekly basis across the year.	£750	£750	£690
S1303	Bluebells	Strathmartine	To fund transportation costs for an outing for 29 members of the Bluebells Over 60's group to Crathes Castle.	£320	£320	£320
SY1304	St Paul's RC Academy	Strathmartine	To provide young people with a daily option to engage in positive multi-sport activities at lunchtime. Approximately 200 pupils are expected to participate and the wider community will benefit from less disruption, noise and litter etc. during school lunch breaks	£10,443	£10,443	£10,443
SP1303	St Andrews PS Parent Council	Strathmartine	To contribute to the installation of fixed physical play equipment and a game-board picnic table in the school playground. This will benefit approximately 259 pupils per year.	£11,688	£10,688	£5,000

Total from 2013-14 allocation: £55,503