REPORT TO: COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 8 MARCH 2004

REPORT ON: SOCIAL INCLUSION PARTNERSHIP ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES 2004/2005

PROVISIONAL ALLOCATIONS 2005/2006

REPORT BY: HEAD OF COMMUNITIES

REPORT NO: 191-2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report notes the allocation of funding for SIP 1 and SIP 2 funding from Communities Scotland, and makes recommendations for the allocation of SIP 1 and SIP 2 funding for the financial years 2004/2005 and 2005/2006.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Committee:

- 2.1 notes the outcome of the SIP decision-making process and agrees the proposals contained in Section 9 of this report including the transfer of £100,000 from SIP 1 Core budget to SIP 1 small grants fund.
- 2.2 instructs officers to proceed with implementation of these proposals, and conditions contained in Appendices A(1) to A(5); relating to SIP 1 and SIP 2 funding.
- 2.3 approves the expenditure from SIP 1 Drugs Misuse Fund outlined in Appendix B
- 2.4 approves the expenditure from SIP 2 Drugs Misuse Fund outlined in Appendix C
- 2.5 notes the expenditure from SIP 2 Small Grants allocation outlined in Appendix D.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 SIP 1 and SIP 2 Allocations 2004/05.

SIP Core Grants	Budget	Previously Committed Expenditure	Proposals contained in this Report	Balance Remaining
Social Inclusion Partnership 1	£2,347,621	£1,883,794	£375,862	£ 87,965
Social Inclusion Partnership 2	£ 209,000	£ 189,697	£ 19,255	£ 48
Total	£2,556,621	£2,073,491	£ 395,117	£ 88,013

3.2 SIP 1 and SIP 2 Small Grants Expenditure 2004/05. The Small Grants budgets have been allocated from the Core Grants and are accounted for within the proposals contained in this report figure of the Core Grants table above. (SIP 2 proposals – Appendix D)

SIP Small Grants	Budget	Previously Committed Expenditure	Proposals contained in this Report	Balance Remaining
Social Inclusion Partnership 1	£100,000	£0,000	£0,000	£100,000
Social Inclusion Partnership 2	£25,000	£0,000	£3,526	£21,474
Total	£125,000	£0,000	£3,526	£121,474

3.3 SIP 1 and SIP 2 Drugs Misuse Fund 2004/05. (SIP 1 proposal – Appendix B, SIP 2 proposal –

Appendix C)

Drugs Misuse	Budget	Previously Committed Expenditure	Proposals contained in this Report	Balance Remaining
Social Inclusion Partnership 1	£74,972	£10,000	£64,972	£00,000
Social Inclusion Partnership 2	£81,151	£10,000	£60,278	£10,873
Total	£156,123	£20,000	£125,250	£10,873

3.4 The Empowering Communities Fund is controlled by community representatives on the SIP Board and is noted for information only.

Empowering Communities	Budget	Previously Committed Expenditure	Proposals contained in this Report	Balance Remaining	
Social Inclusion Partnership 1	£60,000	£ 0	£ 0	£60,000	
Social Inclusion Partnership 2	£60,000	£60,000	£ 0	£ 0	
Total	£120,000	£60,000	£ 0	£60,000	

- 3.5 Provision has been made in the Social Inclusion Partnership fund section of the Communities Department Revenue Budget 2004/2005, these are based on confirmed allocations from Communities Scotland.
- 3.6 Allocations for 2005/06 and beyond have yet to be confirmed and recommendations contained in this report are conditional on Scottish Executive funding and Community Planning Partnership agreement.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There is a close relationship between Local Agenda 21 targets and the focus of the Social Inclusion Partnership 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.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The resources made available through the Social Inclusion Partnership fund for geographic neighbourhoods are targeted on those areas which fall within the most disadvantaged 10% of enumeration districts at the time of the 1991 Census. The funding made available is intended to have the effect of equalling opportunities.

6.0 BACKGROUND

- 6.1 Dundee City Council now supports two separate geographic Social Inclusion Partnership programmes. The first of these programmes:
- 6.2 Social Inclusion Partnership 1 covers Ardler, Kirkton, Mid Craigie /Linlathen and the Hilltown. The programme was approved in November 1996 and has the potential to run up to 31 March 2007.
- 6.3 The funding has been provided to assist the Dundee Community Planning Partnership deliver the Community Regeneration Strategy and Transitional Regeneration Outcome Agreement

approved by Communities Scotland. This strategy is based on four themes:

- Empowerment
- Prosperity
- Stability
- Sustainability

7.0 THE DECISION MAKING PROCESS

- 7.1 The criteria set out by Communities Scotland for the operation of Social Inclusion Partnerships requires the active involvement of a range of stakeholders, including representatives from the community and voluntary sectors.
- 7.2 Statutory partners are expected to contribute to the achievement of the Regeneration Outcome Agreement through their own resources. With the approved transition of the Social Inclusion Partnership into Dundee's Community Planning Partnership there will be a period of review and scrutiny of existing projects to determine a future funding strategy for each initiative.
- 7.3 The City Council is the grant recipient, and is accountable for the stewardship of these funds. The Community Planning Partnership has agreed to continue during 2004/2005 with the existing decision-making procedures developed by The Social Inclusion Partnership Board.
- 7.4 During the assessment and decision-making process, there has been extensive involvement by local people through their participation in the structures of the Social Inclusion Partnership. All applications have been considered by the local SIP groups in each of the SIP 1 areas. The applications have also been considered by the SIP Grants Group and endorsed by the SIP Board.
- 7.5 The contribution made by local people in this process has been considerable, and their contribution is an integral part of the assessment and decision-making process.
- 7.6 The decision-making process in relation to SIP funding applications is as follows:

Applications for funding submitted

Screened for eligibility by the SIP implementation team

Applications sent for comment/assessment to:

- Local SIP Groups
- Neighbourhood Partnership Networks (as applicable)
- Community and Voluntary Alliance
- Dundee Partnership Agencies (as applicable)
- City Council Lead Departments

Social Inclusion Partnership Grants Group forms recommendations

The Social Inclusion Partnership Board endorses recommendations

Communities Committee for approval

7.7 Each funding application has also been assessed against a range of specific criteria under the following headings:

- Quality of project proposal
- Strategic relevance
- Resourcing factors
- Project Management

8.0 KEY ISSUES

- 8.1 In its approach to the allocation of Social Inclusion Partnership funding, the Social Inclusion Partnership Board must take account of a variety of factors. These include the Scottish Executive Guidance and Conditions of Grant, the specific themes and measures of the Social Inclusion Partnership Strategy, the priorities and needs identified by local people and the Local Community Plans which are being developed for each area.
- 8.2 All major projects which applied for extension funding were subject to an evaluation carried out either by an officer of the relevant lead department or an external evaluator. These evaluations were submitted and were considered as part of the assessment and decision-making process. Where relevant, the recommendations by evaluators will be taken into account by projects during any extension funding period, as a condition of grant. Where a full evaluation was not carried out, action was taken to ensure that those assessing the funding applications were fully aware of the activities of the project.

9.0 PROPOSALS

9.1 The following proposals are recommended for funding from the SIP 1 and SIP 2 Core Grant:

SIP applications totalling £375,862 - SIP 1 and £19,255 - SIP 2

•	Corner - Outreach	£ 73,018 – SIP 1	£	15,255 – SIP 2
•	Sheltered Housing Shopping Scheme	£ 19,000 - SIP 1	£	4,000 - SIP 2
•	Kirkton Security Fencing	£ 38,000 - SIP 1		
•	Hilltown Childcare Initiative	£ 69,495 – SIP 1		
•	Highwayman Youth and Community	£ 76,349 – SIP 1		
	Centre			
•	Small Grants	£100,000 - SIP 1		

9.2 Appendices A(1) to A(5) provide further details for the projects listed above.

The following proposals are additionally recommended for funding from SIP 1 and SIP 2 Drugs Misuse money.

SIP Drugs Misuse applications totalling £64,972 – SIP 1 and £60,278

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9.2.1 Appendix B and Appendix C provide further details of the projects listed above.

All projects will be reviewed after six months in conjunction with the Drugs and Alcohol Action Team (DAAT)

9.3 The following proposals are additionally recommended for funding from the SIP 2 Small Grants Fund.

SIP 2 Small Grants applications totalling £3,526

Tea Time Club (Whitfield Activity £1,000 Complex)

St Mon's Residents and Taparts

£2,526

St Mary's Residents and Tenants £2,526
 Association

Appendix D provides details of the projects listed above.

10.0 CONSULTATION

- 10.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), the Directors of Planning and Transportation, Leisure and Arts and Housing.
- 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.

11.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information were relied on to any material extent in the preparation of this report).

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27 February 2004

SOCIAL INCLUSION PARTNERSHIP FUND 2004/2005 APPENDIX A (1)

Project Title: The Corner

Sponsoring Body: Tayside Health Board

Lead Department: Communities Department, Dundee City Council

Type of Application: Extension

Start Date: 1 January 1995

Target Area: Ardler, Kirkton, Hilltown, Mid Craigie/Linlathen, Whitfield, Lochee, Charleston

and other Social Inclusion Partnership 2 areas.

1. Description of the Project

The Corner is a well-established resource for young people in Dundee that was set up in 1995. The project exists to provide a range of information and support to young people particularly around the issue of sexual health. The project operates from a drop-in centre in the Shore Terrace and also carries out work on an outreach basis in specific communities across the Social Inclusion Partnership areas. The Corner is jointly funded by Tayside Health Board, Dundee City Council and the Scottish Executive.

The original aim of the project was to "develop comprehensive, integrated and appropriate access to health and information services for young people in Dundee (12 to 25 years, with a specific focus on the 12 to 18 group.)" Amongst it objectives are the development of responsive and sensitive services which reflects young people's concerns and priorities, to develop an approach that gives full information to young people, to involve young people in the planning, management and the delivery of the initiative and to carry out research and evaluation of the work and its impact on young people. The project has a positive and not a problem focused ethos and uses a community development rather than a medical model of working with young people. A partnership cultural has also been extensively developed within the project.

The project is managed by a partnership between Dundee City Council (Communities Department and Education Department) and Tayside Health Board/Tayside Primary Care NHS Trust.

2. Project Performance

An average of 1,000 contacts per month are made by young people on a range of topics including housing, drugs, general health, sexual health and individual support. Sexual health has comprised around one third of the enquiries. The contact of young people from Social Inclusion Partnership areas over the past 5 years represents approximately 60% of total contacts.

An important element of the support from the Social Inclusion Partnership funding is to enable the project to undertake outreach work in the partnership areas. This is something that will be returned to in 2004/2005 with the implementation of a development plan.

3. Partnership Assessment

Whilst there was broad recognition of the important work carried out by the Corner, there was also concern that its outreach work required to be re-emphasised. It was felt that it was essential to see evidence of the Corner's work in SIP areas.

4. Sustainability

Achieving charitable status will allow the project to explore a range of funding sources.

5. Recommendation and Conditions

Award extension funding for 1 year
1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005 SIP 1 - £73,018
SIP 2 - £15,255

Conditions:

A review of the project's outreach work should take place after six months. Continued funding should be dependent on the progress that is illustrated.

SOCIAL INCLUSION PARTNERSHIP FUND 2004/2005 APPENDIX A (2)

Project Title: Sheltered Housing Shopping Scheme

Sponsoring Body: Dundee Accessible Transport Action Group

Lead Department: Planning & Transportation Department

Type of Application: Extension

Start Date: July 2002

Target Area: SIP 1 and SIP 2

1. Description of Project

Following a SIP supported pilot, the project provides a transport service for the elderly, frail and/or disabled residents of sheltered housing complexes. The service runs form sheltered housing complexes to supermarkets and the City Centre. The application wishes to extend the service for another two years.

2. Project Performance

The project is at a very early stage but all the indications to date are of a very positive response. An evaluation of the work was carried out in October 2003. The evaluation's key findings stated that the overwhelming opinion was that it was beneficial to those that used it and was a 'good thing.' Whilst there was a perception amongst some that the provision could be bettered used, it was felt that this could be overcome by creating more flexibility in relation to the times of use. Providing enhanced provision for wheelchair users and more generally through better marketing.

3. Partnership Assessment

Full support was given for the continuation of this scheme.

4. Sustainability

At present the City Council Planning and Transportation Department have led an application or financial support for community transport in the City. It is understood that this will have a positive impact on the work of the Sheltered Housing Scheme.

5. Recommendations and Conditions

Award extension funding from April 1st 2004 to March 31st 2005 and 1st April 2005 to 31st March 2006 (subject to transition to CPP.)

SIP 1 - £19,000 SIP 2 - £ 4,000

SOCIAL INCLUSION PARTNERSHIP FUND 2004/2005 APPENDIX A (3)

Project Title: Kirkton Security Fencing (Phase 5)

Lead Department: Housing Department

Type of Application: New (but part of a phased programme of work)

Start Date: 1 April 2004

Target Area: Kirkton

1. Description of Project

The aim of this project is to reduce crime and the fear of crime by cutting off 'escape routes' between houses. Work will be carried out to a 'secure by design' standard approved by Tayside Police.

2. Project Management

The project will be managed by the Housing Department and Planning & Transportation Department.

3. Partnership Assessment

The project is the fifth phase of activity in the area that builds on a community consultation. In view of this and the support of the Kirkton SIP Group, the project has partnership support.

4. Sustainability

The project has additional funding from the Better Neighbourhood Services Fund and the Housing Department. The work carried out will be maintained by the City Council's Housing and Planning & Transportation Departments.

5. Recommendation and Conditions

Funding is awarded for the period 1st April 204 to 31st March 2005 SIP 1 - £38,000

Subject to submission of evaluation of previous phases.

SOCIAL INCLUSION PARTNERSHIP FUND 2004/2005 APPENDIX A (4)

Project Title: Hilltown Childcare Services

Lead Department: Education Department

Type of Application: Extension

Start Date: 1 January 1999

Target Area: Hilltown

1. Description of Project

The Hilltown Childcare Initiative has its roots in a community consultation undertaken by Dundee City Council in March 1997 and a follow up consultation in June 1997. These exercises confirmed that the Hilltown community had identified an urgent need for affordable, flexible childcare services for 3 to 12 year olds particularly for the following provision: playgroups, holiday care and information about service provision accessibility.

Following extensive consultation with three main service providers in the area, Grey Lodge Settlement, Hilltown Out of School Care Club and the Highwayman Youth and Community Centre identified areas within their own service provision, which could be expanded to meet local childcare needs. These service providers subsequently became integrated to the provision of childcare services in the Hilltown area. From these bases, the project provides a co-ordinated childcare service in the Hilltown area comprising of an after school club, crèches and holiday activities. An Information Worker is also employed through the project at Grey Lodge Settlement to co-ordinate the provision of local information about childcare services and to promote the development of local involvement in the initiative. The project is under the strategic supervision of the Education Department through the Childcare and Early Years Partnership and has a Management Group comprising of representatives from the three providing organisations as well as local officers from Communities and the Education Department.

2. Project Performance

The project is currently undertaking external evaluation.

3. Partnership Assessment

A full partnership assessment will follow the evaluation that is currently being carried out.

4. Sustainability

The project is currently exploring other avenues of funding and each of the three agencies providing the childcare services also have the capacity to attract alternative sources of funding independently.

5. Recommendation and Conditions

Award extension funding 1st April 2004 to 31st March 2005.

SIP 1 - £69,495

Funding is subject to the positive implementation of the evaluation recommendations. A report should be submitted to the SIP Co-ordinator by 30th August 2004.

SOCIAL INCLUSION PARTNERSHIP FUND 2004/2005 APPENDIX A (5)

Project Title: Highwayman Youth and Community Centre

Sponsoring Body: Highwayman Youth and Community Centre Management Committee

Lead Department: Communities Department, Dundee City Council

Type of Application: Additional

Start Date: 1 July 1996

Target Area: Hilltown

1. Description of Project

The Highwayman Youth and Community Centre was opened in January 1997, and is now a major community resource in the Hilltown area. The Centre provides a focal point for a range of community activities, including youth work, adult education and essential skills, health initiatives and IT training. The Centre has a coffee bar that not only generates income from its sale of affordable hot and cold snacks, but also provides a comfortable and friendly meeting place for local people.

The Centre links closely with other projects and service providers in order to offer as wide a range of services as possible to the community. For example, a weekly Job Shop is run in the Centre in partnership with Learning Around and the Dundee Employment Aftercare Project. Sessional staff provide IT training and after-school/holiday and youth activities.

2. Project Performance

The Highwayman was evaluated by consultant Peter D Taylor. The evaluation concluded that the Centre provides a wide range of youth and adult education services and activities for the Hilltown area. It has been successful in attracting disadvantaged people to use its services and in stimulating community involvement. The centre held an AGM attended by 60 people in February 2004 and has a new Management Group committed to further develop the centre as the focal point of local community.

3. Partnership Assessment

The partnership acknowledged the continuing work of the Centre. Work needs to be done to strengthen the role of the management committee. A strategy for long-term sustainability is needed and building issues need clarified.

4. Sustainability

Long-term sustainability will require a proportion of the overall running costs to be found by Dundee City Council. There may be an on-going case for additional support from Regeneration Funding given the role of the project and the needs of the area. It is intended that when the management committee is at a further stage of development it will be in a position to apply for external funding.

5. Recommendation and Conditions

Additional funding for one year 1^{st} April 2004 to 31^{st} March 2005. SIP 1 - £76,439

Discussion needs to take place with the Communities Department about a service level agreement. This should take place within the period of additional funding. Clarification of the responsibility for all aspects of the building should be in place before the additional funding is released.

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SIP 1 Drugs Misuse Fund 2004 – 2005

Fund Available - £64,972

Ref	Applicant	Area	Initiative	Full Amount	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
SIP1/ 23	Drugs and Alcohol Free Time (DAFT)	SIP 1	DAFT will provide young people at risk of drug and alcohol misuse with opportunities to become involved in music workshops and live events. These events will be carried out in a safe, drug and alcohol free environment where youth information and support is available relating to drug and alcohol issues. This will embrace young people's personal and social skills as well as technical abilities.	£19,754	£19,754	£19,754
DM 1	Dundee Drugs and Aids Project: Drugs Support Worker	Hilltown	A central focus of the post is to engage with and support the Hilltown Community on drug misuse. Assistance is given to individuals and their families. The worker provides accessible and confidential contact that leads to a structured 'plan for change.' The worker will work in partnership with community based organisations in the Hilltown.	£32,965	£32,965	£32,965
DM 5	Hilltown Drugs Intervention Work	Hilltown	Drug Intervention Workers have carried out work at the Highwayman over the past 3 years. During 2004/2005 a programme is planned that will see the development of training for locally based workers and the gradual withdrawal of interventions from Tayside Drug Problem Service. This of course will not end Tayside Drug Problem Service's contact with the Hilltown.	£12,253	£12,253	£12,253

TOTAL £64,972 £64,972 £64,972

Total Funds Available £74,972

Previously Allocated £10,000

Less Recommendations £64,972

Balance Remaining £00,000

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SIP 2 Drugs Misuse Fund 2004 – 2005

Fund Available - £71,151

Ref	Applicant	Area	Initiative	Full Amount	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
SIP1/ 23	Drugs and Alcohol Free Time (DAFT)	SIP 2	DAFT will provide young people at risk of drug and alcohol misuse with opportunities to become involved in music workshops and live events. These events will be carried out in a safe, drug and alcohol free environment where youth information and support is available relating to drug and alcohol issues. This will embrace young people's personal and social skills as well as technical abilities.	£12,246	£12,246	£12,246
DM 2	Camperdown Kiddies Parent/Carer and Child Drop In	Charleston	The centre is open four mornings a week. Structured play activities are provided for children alongside social/educational activity for the parents. The project worker liases with other agencies to identify those who may be vulnerable and in need of the centre's support.	£33,800	£33,800	£18,800
DM 4	Children's Worker: Stobswell Outreach Project	Stobswell	The worker will assess children's needs, support relationship building and develop parenting skills. They will also encourage the involvement of children in the wider community. The work will focus on the families of substance users.	£22,252	£22,252	£22,252
DM 6	St Mary's Youth Provision	St Mary's	The project will provide educational youth provision in the area. Youth work will target drugs and alcohol issues. This will be done by providing a safe space to access information. Street work will also be employed.	£6,980	£6,980	£6,980

TOTAL £75,278 £75,278 £60,278

Total Funds Available £81,151

Previously Allocated £10,000

Less Recommendations £60,278

Balance Remaining £10,873

Appendix D

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SIP 2 Small Grants 2004 - 2005 Fund Available - £25,000

Ref	Applicant	Area	Initiative	Full Amount	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
(2003/2004) S2SG/26	Whitfield Activity Complex	Whitfield	Teatime Club Staffing	£4,892	£1,500	£1,000
(2003/2004) S2SG/23	St Mary's Residents and Tenants Association	St Mary's	5 – 12 year Activity Programme	£2,526	£2,526	£2,526

TOTAL £7,418 £4,026 £3,526

Total Funds Available £25,000

Previously Allocated £00,000

Less Recommendations £ 3,526

Balance Remaining £21,474