REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 19 AUGUST 2013

REPORT ON: DUNDEE COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND 2013/14

REPORT BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

REPORT NO: 339-2013

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 £75,951 are recommended from the allocations for 2013/14.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Policy and Resources Committee, 7 December 2009 approved Report No 591-2009 (Article No IV refers) 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, 22 February 2010, Report No 84-2010, (Article No III refers). Allocations of £125,000 per annum were made to wards which contained 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, 20 December 2004, Report No 743-2004 (Article No II refers). 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	£25,176	£13,219	£86,605
East End	£125,111	£101,933	£0	£23,178
Lochee	£125,000	£65,992	£7,115	£51,893
Maryfield	£125,000	£28,563	£36,526	£59,911
North East	£125,000	£68,400	£16,786	£39,814
Strathmartine	£125,011	£85,883	£2,305	£36,823
Total	£750,122	£375,947	£75,951	£298,224

5.2 The proposals contained in Appendix A recommend the allocation from local budgets of £75,951.

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

None.

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Ref No.	Applicant	Ward	Description of Project	Total Project Costs	Amount Requested	Forum Decision Amount
CP1302	Housing Department	Coldside	Contribution towards costs of the installation of controlled entry systems, with intercoms for 31 houses at Butterburn Square, redesign and closure of insecure entry points to the block and providing a secure fence around the square.	£40,345	£5,000	£5,000
CY1302	Hilltown Out of School Club	Coldside	Funding towards club development plans including part funding to pilot a part-time Development Manager for the Club, and additional staff training in family support approaches and behavioural management techniques.	£11,344	£5,672	£3,748
CY1303	Active Schools	Coldside	To provide a free extra-curricular sport & activity programme for approximately 200 Primary School children. Activities will be delivered in the four Primary Schools and the Secondary School in the Ward and will focus on increasing activity levels, particularly in girls.	£18,543	£4,471	£4,471
L1311	Women's Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre	Lochee	To provide a six week course of self defence classes for 12 women.	£720	£720	£720
L1312	Craigowl Communities	Lochee	To deliver a programme of activities that will help 12 participants to sustain their tenancies and improve their employability skills.	£4,835	£4,835	£3,223

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L1313	Charleston Community Centre LMG	Lochee	To fund the cost of a drama worker to run a weekly drama group for approximately 12 young people from Sept 2013-March 2014	£400	£400	£400
L1315	Menzieshill Community Centre LMG	Lochee	To start an 'arm chair yoga' group for 10-12 people with physical and/or learning difficulties. The group aims to be self funding by the end of the year.	£720	£720	£720
L1316	Menzieshill Community Centre LMG	Lochee	Contribution towards family fun day activities in order to minimise cost to local residents. 700 people are expected to attend.	£1,677	£1,677	£1,677
L1317	Little Stars Toddlers Group	Lochee	To build a storage cupboard for toys and purchase new toys for approximately 40 children attending the group to use.	£375	£375	£375
M1307	Friends of Baxter Park	Maryfield	To employ an artist to help the group create an exhibition to mark the 150 th anniversary of Baxter Park. The exhibition will be seen by all visitors to the Pavilion and its anticipated will attract additional visitors.	£2,000	£2,000	£2,000
M1308	Boomerang	Maryfield	To fund the printing and distribution costs of 3 issues of a community newsletter in the Maryfield Ward, focussing on the Community Regeneration Area.	£1,707	£1,707	£1,707

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M1309	Active Schools	Maryfield	To provide free extra-curricular sport & activity programme for approximately 80 children attending Clepington and Glebelands Primary Schools and Morgan Academy, including a 'Fit for Girls' group aiming to increase activity levels for girls.	£10,752	£3,142	£3,142
MY1305	Yusuf Youth Initiative	Maryfield	To fund 3 integration events and a group leader residential. Each event will bring together 40-50 young people aged 8-14 years to participate in sporting activities, team building exercises, communal eating and cultural information sharing.	£3,125	£2,125	£2,125
MY1306	Dundee United FC	Maryfield	To employ six local young people on a Friday night at DISC to become Dundee United Community Coaches and a Dundee United Community Youth Worker to support these coaches into employment.	£17,534	£5,104	£5,104
MY1307	Morgan Academy	Maryfield	To employ a youth worker for 10 hours a week for 26 weeks and provide resources for a breakfast club at Morgan 5 days a week. This will benefit approximately 35 pupils each day.	£3,924	£3,924	£3,924
MY1308	Morgan Academy	Maryfield	To part fund a two night residential trip to Dalguise Activity Centre for 40 S6 pupils from Morgan Academy with the aim of developing their leadership and team working skills.	£5,228	£2,028	£2,028

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MY1309	DEAP Limited	Maryfield	To employ two youth workers and a caretaker for a 29 week pilot youth project that will benefit 50 local young people aged 16-25. A mix of training and recreational activities will be on offer and support this. The grant will be used to purchase five computers, and other resources such as arts and craft materials.	£16,496	£16,496	£16,496
NE1313	Mill O' Mains Pavilion	North East	To provide a range of activities for a Summer Fun Day, with approximately 250 local people expected to attend.	£1,538	£1,387	£1,387
NE1315	Volunteer Centre Dundee	North East	To employ a broker / worker to enable the Timebank to continue running for over 50 people in the North East.	£2,976	£2,976	£2,421
NEP 1303	Environment Department	North East	To undertake a tree planting programme that will improve the environment for approximately 6,500 Whitfield residents.	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000
NEP1304	Mill O' Mains Pavilion	North East	To create a community garden space that will be of benefit to approximately 100 residents of Mill O'Mains and enable approximately 25 volunteers to undergo training in growing vegetables and flowers.	£1,303	£1,303	£1,303
NEY1309	Salto Gymnastics	North East	The provision of new gym mats for use by approximately 270 children who are club members.	£ 1,675	£1,675	£1,675

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S1317	Kirkton Community Centre LMG	Strathmartine	To fund activities at the Kirkton Festival for young children and to provide demonstrations, information sharing and cultural opportunities for the wider community. Approximately 1,500 people are expected to participate.	£2,245	£945	£945
S1319	SS Leonard & Fergus Social Committee	Strathmartine	To provide a festive meal with accompanying music and entertainment for 100 of our most elderly and vulnerable community members.	£1,300	£650	£650
SP1305	Kirkton Community Centre LMG	Strathmartine	To purchase tools, bulbs and seeds to enable approximately 25 young people involved in Kick It Kick Off to improve their local community by cultivating flower beds around the community centre. This will also be of benefit to other centre users as an improvement to the local environment.	£710	£710	£710