REPORT TO: RECESS SUB COMMITTEE - 21 JULY 2008

REPORT ON: FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND COMMUNITY REGENERATION FORUM

ALLOCATION 2008-2010

REPORT BY: ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (COMMUNITY PLANNING)

REPORT NO: 362-2008

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report confirms the Fairer Scotland Fund Community Regeneration Forum allocations for 2008-2010 and makes recommendations for grants

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Committee endorses the funding proposals contained in section 5 of this report.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 This report recommends grants from budgets of £150,000 which are allocated through each of the five community regeneration forums in Dundee totalling £750,000 in both 2008/9 and 2009/10. These budgets are contained within the Scottish Government's Fairer Scotland Fund allocation to the Dundee Partnership of £8.441m in 2008/9 and £8.286m in 2009/10.
- 3.2 Dundee City Council acts as the accountable body for the Fairer Scotland Fund on behalf of the Dundee Partnership. There are therefore, no direct financial implications for Dundee City Council arising from this report.
- 3.3 Grants of £89,043 are recommended in this report.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 In December 2007 the Scottish Government announced the creation of a new fund aimed at tackling poverty and deprivation across Scotland. The Fairer Scotland Fund replaces a number of existing programmes and funding streams.
- 4.2 The Fund will total £145m per year for the next three years and will be part of the local government settlement. An allocation from the Fund will be made to each local authority area to enable Community Planning Partnerships (CPPs) to work together to tackle area-based and individual poverty; and to help more people access and sustain employment opportunities.
- 4.3 Dundee's allocation of the Fairer Scotland Fund is as follows:

2008/9 (£m)	2009/10 (£m)	2010/11* (£m)
8.441	8.286	8.131

^{*} The allocation is ring-fenced for the first two years of the Spending Review period, in order to provide transparency and ensure that all Community Planning partners can play a part in driving strategic investment of these resources. However, it is envisaged that the ring-fence will be removed in 2010/11 as Single Outcome Agreements are concluded with Community Planning Partnerships.

- 4.4 The process by which the Dundee Partnership allocates funding to local projects through community regeneration forums was agreed by Policy and Resources Committee in December 2004 (Committee Report 743-2004). The same procedures will apply to the local allocation of the Fairer Scotland Fund.
- 4.5 Community regeneration forums will be invited to allocate funding of up to £50,000 on diversionary and preventative youth work, up to £50,000 on small grants and no less than £50,000 to physical improvements.
- 4.6 The decision-making process for allocating grants through the local community regeneration forums is set out below.
 - 1. Members of community regeneration forums develop funding proposals through discussion with officers responsible for youth work and physical regeneration. Applications for small grants are sought from an extensive network of stakeholders and organisations. The application form and guidance notes give explicit directions regarding match to outcomes and clear, measurable outputs.
 - 2. Proposals/applications are screened by the FSF Co-ordinator to ensure match to outcomes, strategic, fit, value for money and focus on community regeneration areas.
 - 3. Once the local community regeneration forums finalise funding proposals these are submitted to the Building Stronger Communities Group of the Dundee Partnership for agreement.
 - Allocations are reported to Policy and Resources Committee of Dundee City 4. Council as accountable body.
 - 5. Offers of grant are made to projects.
 - 6. Monitoring and evaluation is initiated.

5. **FUNDING ALLOCATIONS AND PROPOSALS**

5.1 The budget for each community regeneration forum is summarised below together with allocations proposed in this report:

		CRA1	CRA2	CRA3	CRA4	CRA5	Total
Total Allocation	Devolved	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	750,000
Previously Allocated		22,615	20,395	6,829	0	23,005	72,844
Current Proposals		10,536	16,666	44,156	5,773	11,912	89,043
Still Available		116,849	112,939	99,015	144,227	115,083	588,113

- 5.2 The proposals detailed in Appendix A recommend the allocation of £89,043 from local budgets.
- 5.3 The Community Regeneration Areas are as follows:

Ardler/St Mary's/Kirkton CRA1 CRA2 Menzieshill/Charleston/Lochee/Beechwood CRA3 Mill O Mains/Fintry/Whitfield Stobswell/Hilltown/Fairmuir CRA4

CRA5 Mid Craigie/Linlathen/Douglas

6. **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.
- 6.2 There is a close relationship between the Council's Anti Poverty targets and the focus of the Fairer Scotland 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 Regeneration Outcome Agreement, and as such the measures contained in this report will address numerous anti-poverty priorities.
- 6.3 The resources made available through the Fairer Scotland 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.

7. CONSULTATION

- 7.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Head of Finance, and the Directors of relevant departments.
- 7.2 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.

8. **BACKGROUND REPORTS**

8.1 Report to Policy and Resources Committee, March 2008, Report No 161-2008, Fairer Scotland Fund.

Chris Ward

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

21 July 2008

Fairer Scotland Fund-Community Regeneration Forums

No.	Project Title/Applicant	Area	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested	Grant Award
NW006	Kirkton Festival/Fun Day Kirkton Community Centre LMG	Ardler/St Mary's/Kirkton	Activities, rides and advertisement as part of 2008 Kirkton Festival	1,477	1,477	1,477
W003	Sprint Dundee 08 Leisure and Communities	Menziesill/Charleston/Lochee /Beechwood	The activity will give the chance for children and young people to represent their community by competing in a 60m sprint challenge	4,251	471	471
NE001	Whitfield Community Centre Management Group (Whitfest)	Mill O'Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	To run 40 x 2 hour workshops over 1 week offering opportunities for art and cultural sessions	2,500	2,500	1,500
NE002	Youth Sports Development/ Fintry North Youth Project - Summer 08	Mill O'Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	To deliver a wide array of physical activity opportunities at the new Cheviot Park Multi Games Area within the school holiday for families in the North East	4,851	4,851	2,342
NE003	Whitfield Inclusion Network Group	Mill O'Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	To run a Gala Day for residents in the Whitfield area	1,900	1,600	1,600

No.	Project Title/Applicant	Area	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested	Grant Award
C001	Stobswell Forum (Baxter Park Festival)	Stobswell/Hilltown/Fairmuir	Fun day for residents of the Central area. Funding required for publicity, security, clowns, face painters, marquee and children's rides.	4,302	4,302	4,302
C005	Access to Learning - Mini Mela Leisure and Communities	Stobswell/Hilltown/Fairmuir	To hold a multi-cultural event to celebrate different cultures and diversity within Dundee.	1,000	1,000	1,000
SE003	Midlin News	Mid Craigie/Linlathen/Douglas	To help towards printing and delivery costs of local community newsletter	1,440	1,440	1,440
SE004	Under 12's Project - Mid Craigie	Mid Craigie/Linlathen/Douglas	Contribution towards a six week summer programme of activities for children, young people and families within the south east area	5,778	4,000	4,000
NWY002	Sprint Dundee 08 Leisure and Communities	Ardler/St Mary's/Kirkton	The activity will support children and young people to represent their community by competing in a 60m sprint challenge	4,251	471	471
NWY004	Basic Moves/Basic Games Children Activities Leisure and Communities	Ardler/St Mary's/Kirkton	Funding to provide a Term Time programme, Holiday Programme and a Festival Programme all aimed at young people	11,360	6,000	6,000

No.	Project Title/Applicant	Area	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested	Grant Award
NWY005	Kirkton Kids Summer/Autumn Programme	Ardler/St Mary's/Kirkton	3 week programme for children between P1-P7	2,588	2,588	2,588
WY003	Basic Moves/Basic Games Children's Activity Leisure and Communities	Menzieshill/Charleston/Lochee/ Beechwood	Funding to provide a Term Time Programme, Holiday Programme and a Festival Programme all aimed at young children	13,570	6,000	6,000
WY004	6th/8th Dundee Boys Brigade	Menzieshill/Charleston/Lochee/ Beechwood	Winter session with various activities; swimming, 10 pin bowling, outdoor football, climbing wall, indoor shooting, karting, various sports competitions and transport costs. Weekend activities; accommodation/food, transport and activities. Annual Camp	10,195	10,195	10,195
NEY001	Active Kids Project Leisure and Communities	Mill O Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	The Pilot Initiative will work with young people aged 8 to 13 years old to provide a range of leisure activities. This group will target the most at risk of anti-social behaviour. (Application for 52 weeks - allocation for 40 weeks)	29,990	29,990	22,493

No.	Project Title/Applicant	Area	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested	Grant Award
NEY002	Sprint Dundee 08 Leisure and Communities	Mill O Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	The activity will support children and young people to represent their community by competing in a 60m sprint challenge	4,251	471	471
NEY004/2	Fintry North Youth Project	Mill O Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	Grant would provide wage costs for 4 youth workers and costs of external tutors. All the activities are diversionary activities for young people aged 8+ (12 wks already allocated in April)	13,000	13,000	9,750
NEY006	Basic Moves/Basic Children's Activity Leisure and Communities	Mill O Mains/Fintry/Whitfield	From July 2008 to March 2009: various programmes during term time, holidays and at the festivals in the North East	11,784	6,000	6,000
CY005	Sprint Dundee 08 Leisure and Communities	Stobswell/Hilltown/Fairmuir	The activity will support children and young people to represent their community by competing in a 60m sprint challenge	4,251	471	471
SEY011	Sprint Dundee 08 Leisure and Communities	Mid Craigie/Linlathen/Douglas	To allow young people to participate in citywide Sprint Dundee event		472	472
SEY013	Basic Moves/Basic Games Children's Activity Leisure and Communities	Mid Craigie/Linlathen/Douglas	To deliver basic moves classes and games classes within the east area during term time, the holidays and at local festivals	11,219	6,000	6,000