

REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE –10 NOVEMBER 2014

REPORT ON: DUNDEE COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND 2014/15

REPORT BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

REPORT NO: 422-2014

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report confirms the Community Regeneration Fund allocations for 2014/15 and makes recommendations for grants in 2014/15.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that committee notes the Community Regeneration Fund allocations for 2014/15 and approves the funding proposals contained in section 5 of this report.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 This report confirms the 2014/15 Community Regeneration Fund allocations of £125,000 to the Coldside, Maryfield, North East and Strathmartine Community Regeneration Forums; £136,473 to the East End CR Forum; £190,462 to the Lochee CR Forum; and £10,000 to the Local Community Planning Partnerships for The Ferry and the West End. These were agreed at the Policy and Resources Committee on 9 December 2013 (Report No 521-2013). The total budgets available, including approved carry forwards, are set out in para 5.1

3.2 Grants of £ 40,117 are recommended from the allocations for 2014/15.

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. The funding levels for 2014/15 were approved by Policy and Resources Committee, 9 December 2013.

4.2 Community Regeneration Forums will be invited to allocate funding of up to 20% of the allocation on small grants, and no less than 80% on diversionary and preventative youth work or physical improvements.

4.3 Local Community Planning Partnerships for West End and The Ferry will be invited to allocate £10,000 to community regeneration priorities outstanding in their current plans.

5. FUNDING ALLOCATIONS AND PROPOSALS

5.1 The budget for each community regeneration forum/local community planning partnership is summarised below, together with allocations proposed in this report. These include agreed carry forwards from 2013/14

Local Forum	Total Allocation	Previously Allocated	Current Proposals	Still Available
Coldside	£149,663	£72,483	£26,455	£50,725
East End	£148,474	£74,678	£0	£73,796
Lochee	£191,860	£101,659	£300	£89,901
Maryfield	£146,023	£73,734	£5,373	£66,916
North East	£125,849	£72,489	£3,493	£49,867
Strathmartine	£132,515	£85,470	£0	£47,045
The Ferry	£10,000	£1,652	£1,066	£7,282
West End	£10,000	£6,570	£3,430	£0
Total	£914,384	£488,735	£40,117	£385,532

5.2 The proposals contained in Appendix A recommend the allocation from local budgets of £ 40,117.

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 primarily 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
CP1403	Environment Department	Coldside	To replace four of the nine Community Notice Boards within Coldside as they are in a particularly bad state of repair. The notice boards provide an important means of getting information out into the community.	£3,180	£3,180	£3,180
CP1404	Environment Department	Coldside	To undertake an environmental clear up of the planted ground in the Dens Road / Hillbank Road area. Overhanging trees and bushes currently obstruct the footpath and there have been a number of complaints raised by local residents.	£17,435	£17,435	£17,435
CY1407	Pure Media UK	Coldside	The Aperture Project plans to work with fifty young people across twelve weekly workshops and two creative weekends. Participants will be equipped with the skills to artistically explore topics of interest and prepare displays in a range of media, including art, music, photography and film.	£5,840	£5,840	£5,840
F1404	Scottish Fire & Rescue Service	The Ferry	To enable the purchase twelve Smoke Alarms that are suitable for use for persons who are hard of hearing or registered as being deaf. These will then be installed as appropriate local recipients are identified through home fire safety visits.	£1,066	£1,066	£1,066
L1422	Menzieshill Digital Photography Group	Lochee	To purchase resources and fund tutor time for this new group in Menzieshill. At present the group had six members and will be looking to expand from this.	£300	£300	£300
M1416	Stobswell Playgroup	Maryfield	To provide funding to replace old / broken toys, pay for room hire and fund publicity leaflets to enable the group to continue providing playgroup provision twice a week for approximately fifty parents and children.	£1,735	£1,735	£1,735

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MP1403	Maryfield Regeneration Team	Maryfield	To provide additional furniture for the newly refurbished first floor community space at Arthurstone Library. This will allow the local community to make full use of the space.	£3,638	£3,638	£3,638
NEP1406	One Parent Families Scotland	North East	To purchase tools and plants for the Families House Gardening Group and subsidise trips to cultivated gardens across Scotland. Up to 250 local people will benefit from access to the garden and its produce.	£2,833	£2,833	£2,833
NE1418	Finmill Centre LMG	North East	To enable the centre to host a free Christmas show for local families. Approximately 150 local residents will be able to attend, with children also receiving a small gift.	£1,050	£660	£660
WE1407	Scottish Fire & Rescue Service	West End	To enable the purchase nine Smoke Alarms that are suitable for use for persons who are hard of hearing or registered as being deaf. These will then be installed as appropriate local recipients are identified through home fire safety visits.	£1,066	£1,066	£800
WE1408	The Community Bridge	West End	To cover catering costs for a drop-in café supporting around 30-40 people each week, primarily those who are homeless. The café, run by volunteers, is also used to signpost visitors to additional support services.	£630	£630	£630
WE1409	Solar Cities Scotland	West End	To install internal insulation to a property in the Logie area as a pilot. Information on energy savings from this will be used to draw in funding for approximately 200 similar homes in the area, most of which are home to older people. These properties are unable to benefit from cavity wall insulation or external cladding.	£2,000	£2,000	£2,000