REPORT TO: COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 12 JANUARY 2004

REPORT ON: SOCIAL INCLUSION PARTNERSHIP ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES AND SMALL GRANTS 2003/2004

REPORT BY: HEAD OF COMMUNITIES

REPORT NO: 74-2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report notes the allocation of funding for SIP 1 from Communities Scotland.
- 1.2 This report makes recommendations for the allocation of SIP 1 funding for the financial year 2003/2004.

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 8 of this report;
- 2.2 instructs officers to proceed with implementation of these proposals, and conditions contained in Appendix A;
- 2.3 approves the SIP 1 Small Grants detailed in Appendix B;
- 2.4 approves the SIP 2 Small Grants detailed in Appendix C;
- 2.5 notes Empowering Communities Fund allocations in Appendix D;
- 2.6 makes provision for the transfer of £10,000 from the SIP 2 Core Grant to Small Grants 2003/2004.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 SIP 1 and SIP 2 Expenditure 2003/2004.

	Budget	Previously Committed Expenditure	Proposals contained in this Report	Balance Remaining
Social Inclusion Partnership 1	£2,377,621	£2,363,133	£ 14,488	£ 00,000
Social Inclusion Partnership 2	£ 219,000	£ 209,000	£ 10,000	£ 00,000
Total	£2,596,621	£2,572,133	£ 24,488	£ 00,000

3.2 Provision has been made in the Social Inclusion Partnership fund section of the Communities Department Revenue Budget 2003/2004.

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 Partnership deliver the Community Regeneration Strategy 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 The statutory partners are expected to contribute to the achievement of the strategies through their own resources.
- 7.3 The City Council is the grant recipient, and is accountable for the stewardship of these funds. It does so, however, under the auspices of the Social Inclusion Partnership Board.
- 7.4 During the assessment and decision-making process, there has been considerable 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 sequence and stages involved in this decision-making process have been reported and approved in previous reports.
- 7.7 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 Social Inclusion Partnership 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 Action Plans which have been developed for each of the Social Inclusion Partnership 1 communities.

8.0 PROPOSALS

- 8.1 Revenue Expenditure Proposals Social Inclusion Partnership 1
- 8.1.1 The following proposals are recommended for funding from the SIP 1 Core Grant:

SIP 1 Additional Applications totalling £14,488

• Communities Department (Kirkton Sound Equipment) -£14,488

Appendix A provides further details for the projects listed above.

- 8.2 SIP 1 Small Grants (Appendix B). Value of Recommendation £7,625
- 8.3 SIP 2 Small Grants (Appendix C). Value of Recommendation £1,632
- 8.4 SIP 2 Empowering Communities Fund (Appendix D). Value of Recommendation £2,583

9.0 CONSULTATION

- 9.1 Consultation has taken place with the Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), the Directors of Planning and Transportation, Economic Development, Leisure and Arts and Housing.
- 9.2 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.

10.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 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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19 December 2003

SIP1 Application 2003/2004

Amount Available - £14,488

Ref	Applicant	Area	Initiative	Full Amount	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
SIP1/19	Communities Dept in partnership with the Local Management Group	Kirkton	Sound/Light Equipment at Kirkton	£15,714	£15,714	£14,488
			TOTAL	£15,714	£15,714	£14,488

Total Available Fund - £2,377,621

Previously Allocated - £2,363,133

Less Recommendations-£ 14,488

Balance Remaining - £0,000,000

Appendix A

SIP 1 Small Grants 2003/2004

Total Available - £11,624

Ref	Applicant	Area	Initiative	Full Amount	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded	Comments
S1SG/75	Kirkton Kafe	Kirkton	Sound Equipment etc.	£26,512	£5,000	£4,125	
S1SG/77	Russell Place Sheltered Housing	Hilltown	Seating for Lounge	£4,991	£4,991		Referred to Older People Engaging Needs (OPEN)
S1SG/80	Discovery Credit Union Junior Savers	Ardler/Kirkton	Establishing a Junior Savers Credit Union	£76,054	£3,500	£3,500	

TOTALS £107,557

£7,625

£13,491

- Total Funds Available £100,000
- Previously Allocated £ 88,376
- Less Recommendations £ 7,625
- Balance Remaining £ 3,999

Appendix B

SIP2 Small Grants 2003/2004

Total Available £ 10,000

Ref	Applicant	Area	Initiative	Full Amount	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded	Comments
S2SG/19	Twa Semi's	Charleston	Video and CD Rom Presentation	£832	£750	£750	
S2SG/20	Twa Semi's	Charleston	Outdoor Education - Ski Skills	£2,028	£1,500		Not Supported – Small Numbers Involved
S2SG/21	Mill O'Mains Resident Assoc	Mill O'Mains	Youth Activities January – March	£335	£285	£285	
S2SG/23	St Mary's Residents & Tenants	St Mary's	Play Equipment	£3,765	£597	£597	

TOTAL £6,960 £3,132 £1,632

Total Available Funds- £26,498Previously Allocated- £16,498Less Recommendations- £ 1,632

Balance Remaining - £8,368

Appendix C

Appendix D

SIP2 Empowering Communities 2003/2004

Total Available £ 9,640

Ref	Applicant	Area	Initiative	Full Amount	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded	Comments
S2SG/22	Mill O'Mains Resident Assoc	Mill O'Mains	Production and Distribution of Newsletter	£650	£600	£600	Empowering Communities
S2SG/24	Whitfield Inclusion Group	Whitfield	Forward Planning Event	£338	£338	£338	Empowering Communities
S2SG/25	Six Circles	Whitfield	Establishing Whitfield Group	£1,341	£1,145	£1,145	Empowering Communities
S2SG/26	Cool Kidz Club	St Mary's	Establishing Group	£500	£500	£500	Empowering Communities

TOTAL £2,829 £2,583 £2,583

Total Available Funds- £73,000Previously Allocated- £63,360Less Recommendations- £2,583

Balance Remaining - £ 7,057