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REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 11 JANUARY 2016

REPORT ON: DUNDEE COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND 2015/16

REPORT BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

REPORT NO: 8-2016

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report confirms the Community Regeneration Fund allocations for 2015/16 and makes recommendations for grants in 2015/16.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 It is recommended that committee notes the Community Regeneration Fund allocations for 2015/16 and approves the funding proposals contained in section 5 of this report.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 This report confirms the 2015/16 Community Regeneration Fund allocations to the Community Regeneration Forums and to the Local Community Planning Partnerships for The Ferry and the West End. The total budgets available, including approved carry forwards, are set out in para 5.1
- 3.2 Grants of £ 42,693 are recommended from the allocations for 2015/16.

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. Revised funding levels and a commitment to allocate £10,000 to The Ferry and West End 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 2014/15

Local Forum	Total Allocation	Previously Allocated	Current Proposals	Still Available	
Coldside	£171,049	£95,786	£11,112	£64,151	
East End	£150,735	£87,039	£13,841	£49,855	
Lochee	£272,004	£229,034	£16,270	£26,700	
Maryfield	£125,017	£83,533	£0	£41,484	
North East	£125,150	£110,235	£170	£14,745	
Strathmartine	£129,001	£99,410	£0	£29,591	
The Ferry	£11,522	£11,222	£300	£0	
West End	£10,000	£5,066	£1,000	£3,934	
Total	£994,478	£721,325	£42,693	£230,460	

5.2 The proposals contained in Appendix A recommend the allocation from local budgets of £ 42,693 in 2015/16.

6 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 Article X of the Minute of Meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee of 13 September 2010, Report no 570-2010 refers.
- 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 Executive 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.

 30/12/2015

Ref No.	Applicant	Ward	Description of Project	Total Project Costs	Amount Requested	Forum Decision Amount
CP1504	DCC Environment Department	Coldside	To complete the clearing up of planted areas along the Dens Road / Hillbank / Main Street area. This will include ground maintenance and pruning of trees in the area.	£11,112	£11,112	£11,112
EE1521	Art Social Midlin	East End	To purchase art materials and a storage unit for this community art group. Approximately ten local residents will benefit from participation in weekly art classes.	£1,320	£1,270	£1,270
EEP1503	Under 12s Project	East End	To cover cost of building refurbishments in Rainbow House including replacing flooring and toilets, and installation of hand dryers. Approximately 100 local residents accessing the project will benefit on a regular basis.	£7,806	£7,506	£7,506
EEP1504	Brooksbank Centre	East End	To contribute towards the cost of building refurbishment and maintenance. External maintenance to the main doors and woodwork will be carried out. Internally the current crèche will be remodelled to be multi-functional.	£5,065	£5,065	£5,065
F1509	Ferry Time Timebank	The Ferry	Support for staffing for the time bank from mid-January onwards, while additional funding sought by the Board. At present the time bank has approximately fifty members.	£300	£300	£300
L1524	Lochee Parish Church Bowling Club	Lochee	To replace two bowling carpets that are now beyond their usable lifespan. The club runs weekly, with approximately 24 older people participating, benefiting from gentle exercise and an opportunity to socialise.	£1,370	£1,270	£1,270
LP1505	Blackwood Dundee Tenants Group	Lochee	To fund the cost of initial preparation of an outdoor space including surfacing pathways, purchasing raised planters and beds, garden furniture, plants and shrubs. This will benefit over 100 Blackwood tenants plus their visitors.	£10,600	£5,000	£5,000

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LP1506	Lochee Boys/Girls Boxing Club	Lochee	To upgrade the changing rooms with wetwall cladding, new showers, upgraded lighting and new non slip floor coverings. Approximately 150 people make use of the club each week.	£13,000	£10,000	£10,000
NE1522	DCC Adult Learning	North East	To deliver two events as part of the 2016 Women's Festival – a 'shortbread showdown' baking event, and a children's session. Overall more than eighty local people are expected to take part.	£200	£200	£170
WE1507	Community Spirit Action Group	West End	To install a Community Noticeboard on City Road. The Community Spirit Action Group will act as key holders and ensure that information in the noticeboard is kept up to date.	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000