

EAST AYRSHIRE

COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD – 18 MARCH 2010

FINANCE UPDATE

Report by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support
East Ayrshire Council

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board on a range of matters regarding finance and performance in respect of the Fairer Scotland Fund (FSF) and the Community Planning Challenge Fund.

2. FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND 2009/10 AND 2010/11

- 2.1 The FSF allocation awarded to East Ayrshire CPP from the Scottish Government was £4,621,000 in 2009/10 and £4,589,000 in 2010/11. Members of the Board will recall that carry forward from 2008/09 of £518,225 provides a total of £5,139,225 available from the FSF to be utilised in 2009/10.
- 2.2 The Board will also recall that there is a full allocation of FSF resources in 2009/10 and an unallocated balance of £67,600 in 2010/11.
- 2.3 At the end of Quarter 3, the actual amount spent on the ground by projects managed on behalf of the Community Planning Partnership by East Ayrshire Council and disbursements by the Council to external projects against the FSF totalled £3,202,947. This left a balance of £1,936,278 in 2009/10 still to be utilised over the remainder of the year.
- 2.4 Based on Quarter 3 project returns, the Forecast Annual Spend in 2009/10 is £4,932,095, which is £207,130 less than the full in year allocation, which can be attributed to the following:
- **Skills Development and Employability Service:** As reported to the Board at its last meeting, late notification of European Social Fund and European Regional Development funding to the Skills Development and Employability Service means that £150,933 of £912,910 FSF resources available to the service in 2009/10 is forecast to be utilised during 1 April to 30 June 2010. The service has advised that the extended timescale has received approval from the European Structural Funds Programme.
 - **Community Planning and Partnership Unit Core Support:** Although a full spend of resources allocated in 2009/10 is expected, it is anticipated that due to staff vacancies and maternity leave the £10,000 carry forward from 2008/09 will not be utilised within the current financial year and is therefore declared available to the Board for re-allocation.
 - **Information Analyst:** The Community Planning and Partnership Unit has declared an underspend of £26,960 due to the delay in filling the vacant post. Approval is sought to carry forward £14,500 from the 2009/10 budget to be utilised in 2010/11, with the remaining £12,460 made available for re-allocation by the CPP Board.

- **Evaluation of the impact of co-location:** The Council's Finance and Asset Management Team has declared an underspend of £7,000 in 2009/10 and requested that this be carried forward to progress the evaluation in 2010/11.
- **Small Project Development Fund:** Although a full spend is anticipated in respect of the £18,500 annual allocation for 2009/10, the £12,237 carried forward from 2008/09 will not be utilised within the current financial year and is therefore declared available for re-allocation by the CPP Board.

- 2.5 Subsequent to submitting the Quarter 3 project financial return, Road Safety Improvements has declared an underspend of £52,337 in 2009/10 for carry forward, which will be utilised early in 2010/11. Due to the extreme winter conditions experienced during December 2009 and January 2010, the Roads Maintenance Unit which was scheduled to carry out road safety improvements as part of the 2009/10 FSF programme of work, has required to divert its resources to road remedial work. A final estimate of spend for 2009/10 is currently being prepared and will be reported to the Board thereafter.
- 2.6 As detailed at paragraph 2.2, £67,600 remains unallocated in 2010/11. This plus the declared underspends detailed at paragraph 2.4 leaves a total of £102,297 to be allocated by the Board in 2010/11. The Board is therefore requested to remit the Community Planning and Partnership Manager (CPPM), in consultation with the Chair, to work with relevant colleagues to identify how the Board could effectively utilise the FSF in 2010/11.
- 2.7 Project spend will continue to be monitored to ensure minimum carry forward of FSF resources into 2010/11 to meet the requirements of the Scottish Government.
- 2.8 Due to the delay in concluding of the Scottish Government's evaluation of Campus Officers, Strathclyde Police has requested that they continue to utilise the FSF resources set aside for the employment of a Campus Officer at St Joseph's Academy for the remainder of 2009/10 and 2010/11 to part fund the ongoing costs associated with the existing Campus Officers. This will allow Strathclyde Police and the CPP Board time to consider the outcome of the national evaluation when it has been completed.

3. SMALL PROJECT DEVELOPMENT FUND 2009/10

- 3.1 The Community Planning and Partnership Manager has delegated authority to spend up to a maximum of £2,000 on any one item of expenditure from a budget of £18,500, which can be utilised to fund small projects linked to the CPP's broad themes and priorities. As detailed at paragraph 2.4, the Board approved a carry forward of £12,237 for the Small Project Development Fund from 2008/09, leaving a total 2009/10 budget of £30,737.
- 3.2 At the end of Quarter 3, £8,040 had been allocated from the Small Project Development Fund, as previously reported to the Board, leaving a balance of £22,697 for future allocation.
- 3.3 Subsequently, the following three allocations have been made from the Small Project Development Fund and are presented to the CPP Board for noting:
- **Volunteer Centre Third Sector Interface: £1,335.** To provide financial assistance to convene a consultation conference for the national and local community/voluntary/social enterprise sectors. The findings of the consultation are reported separately to the Board at agenda item 8.

- **Phunky Foods Programme/MEND 'Cookwell Course: £1,880.** To provide financial assistance to the Recreation Partnership Project to purchase the 'Phunky Foods' healthy living programme for delivery to children and young people across East Ayrshire (£1,360); and to deliver a 6-week 'Cookwell' course for parents and carers of children participating in the MEND (Mind, Exercise, Nutrition...Do It!) programme (£520).
- **SHOUT Scanners: £1,080.** To update/replace SHOUT scanners in nine Community Recreation Games Halls and to purchase additional scanners for use in two Mobile Libraries and seven community venues.

3.4 The above allocations leave a balance of £18,402 within the Small Project Development Fund in 2009/10 for future allocation. As previously reported, it is anticipated that £12,237 underspend carried forward from 2008/09 included in this balance will be available for re-allocation by the CPP Board.

3.5 A full spend is expected on the remaining 2009/10 balance of £6,165 at the end of the financial year.

4. COMMUNITY PLANNING CHALLENGE FUND

4.1 The Board will recall that as reported at its last meeting, there is full allocation of Community Planning Challenge Fund resources in 2009/10.

4.2 Further to the performance summary provided for the Board in respect of the Centre Stage Music Theatre, which brought the Flava Dance Troupe's 'b' inspired programme to Kilmarnock at the end of October 2009 to work with young people in a series of dance workshops and showcase performances, a full report has been prepared by Centre Stage and is available upon request. The report reflects that anecdotal evidence supports the view that the programme was received positively by a range of participants and stakeholders.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 The Community Planning Partnership Board is requested to:

- i) note the FSF actual spend at the end of Quarter 3 by key services/projects in 2009/10;
- ii) note the forecast annual spend for 2009/10;
- iii) agree the reallocation of FSF carry forward resources identified at 2.4 and 2.5;
- iv) approve the continued use of FSF resources to secure the employment of the existing Campus Officers;
- v) note the allocations from the Small Project Development Fund;
- vi) remit the CPPM, in consultation with the Chair, to develop proposals to utilise the remaining balance of the Community Planning Development Fund in 2010/11;
- vii) note the performance information provided under the Challenge Fund programme; and
- viii) otherwise, note the content of the report.

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FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND 2009/10

Key Service / Project	Allocation Agreed at CPP Board Meeting of 26 June, 18 September, 11 December 2008, 30 April, 30 July, 30 September and 26 November 2009	Carried Forward from 2008/09	Allocation 2009/10	Virement across Projects	Revised Allocation 2009/10	Amounts Disbursed to December 2009 (Note 1)	Balance Available to Year End
	£						
Additional Police Resources	330,000		330,000		330,000	247,500	82,500
Breakfast Clubs	67,000		67,000		67,000	39,030	27,970
Carer and Young Carer Support	114,500		114,500		114,500	82,500	32,000
CCTV	100,000		100,000		100,000	77,839	22,161
Children Learning Health and Supported Play Initiative (CLHASP)	22,000		22,000		22,000	22,000	0
Citizens' Advice Bureau	100,000		100,000		100,000	75,000	25,000
Coalfield Communities Federation	59,500		59,500		59,500	45,500	14,000
Coalfield Community Transport	70,600		70,600		70,600	70,600	0
Community Health Improvement Project (CHIP)	109,500		109,500		109,500	82,125	27,375
Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) and THI	180,000	100,000	280,000		280,000	190,793	89,207
Cumnock and Doon Valley Credit Union	50,000		50,000		50,000	37,500	12,500
Dalmellington Youth Centre (The Zone)	69,000		69,000		69,000	51,750	17,250
Early Intervention and Parental Capacity Building Programme (including Wraparound Early Years Care and Parent Support)	300,000	27,320	327,320		327,320	241,450	85,870
East Ayrshire Credit Union Ltd	50,000		50,000		50,000	50,000	0
East Ayrshire JobRotation	71,000		71,000		71,000	53,250	17,750
East Ayrshire Woodlands	66,000		66,000		66,000	49,500	16,500
Environmental Hit Squad	50,000		50,000		50,000	34,615	15,385
Ethnic Minority Inclusion	40,000		40,000		40,000	27,000	13,000
Evaluation of the impact of co-location (Note 2)				7,000	7,000	0	7,000
External Funding and Sustainability Worker	30,000		30,000		30,000	26,757	3,243
Information Analyst (Note 2)	30,500	19,460	49,960	-7,000	42,960	3,129	39,831
Kilmarnock Shopmobility (joint allocation with Coalfield Community Transport)	20,000	13,737	33,737		33,737	14,131	19,606
Local Community Planning Forums	6,000		6,000		6,000	2,428	3,572
More Choices: More Chances (merged with Raising Educational Attainment for Looked After and Accommodated Young People from 1 July 2008)	370,000	48,080	418,080		418,080	163,710	254,370
New Sporting Futures	295,000		295,000		295,000	221,250	73,750
North Federation	67,000		67,000		67,000	50,250	16,750
Recreation Partnership Project	139,500		139,500		139,500	103,097	36,403
Restoring Communities Programme (new project name from 1 July 2008-previously Community Environmental Improvement Action Plans and Projects)	271,000	36,095	307,095		307,095	115,294	191,801
Road Safety Improvements (Note 3)	93,500		93,500	-32,000	61,500	330	61,170
Skills Development and Employability Service (formerly Back to Work Connections)	700,000	212,910	912,910		912,910	503,782	409,128
Street Lighting (Note 3)	114,000	5,286	119,286	32,000	151,286	58,994	92,292
Victim Support	10,400		10,400		10,400	5,200	5,200
yipworld.com	126,000		126,000		126,000	94,500	31,500
Youth Outreach	85,000	33,100	118,100		118,100	82,050	36,050
Administration/Management Fee	30,000		30,000		30,000	30,000	0
CPPU - Core Support	299,920	10,000	309,920		309,920	196,503	113,417
Consulation and Engagement - Staff and related costs	65,580		65,580		65,580	45,550	20,030
Small Project Development Fund (Note 4)	18,500	12,237	30,737		30,737	8,040	22,697
TOTAL FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND	4,621,000	518,225	5,139,225	0	5,139,225	3,202,947	1,936,278
CHALLENGE FUND (Note 5)	65,000	0	65,000	0	65,000	65,000	0

Note 1: This column represents all payments made to projects at the time of writing by the "Accountable Body" (East Ayrshire Council).

Note 2: The revised allocation reflects a virement of £7,000 from the Information Analyst post to the Evaluation of the impact of co-location.

Note 3: The revised allocation reflects a virement of £32,000 from Road Safety to Street Lighting and approved by the Lead Department at Quarter 3.

Note 4: Small Project Development Fund includes £18,500 allocated in 2009/10 and £12,237 uncommitted balance carried forward from 2008/09.
Disbursements to date comprise:

• Gilfoot and Girvan Crescent Tenants' and Residents' Association	£2,000
• Galston Youth Forum	£1,600
• Kilmarnock Shopmobility	£2,000
• 'Dealer or No Dealer' Project	£440
• Safe in the Sun Fund	£2,000
TOTAL	£8,040

Note 5: Challenge Fund disbursements to date comprise:

• Bellsbank Project	£11,000 approved at 30 July 2009 CPPU Board
• Centre Stage Music Theatre	£8,700 approved at 30 July 2009 CPPU Board
• Dalrymple Youth Centre	£9,600 approved at 30 July 2009 CPPU Board
• Break the Silence	£22,500 approved at 30 September 2009 CPPU Board
• Evaluation of the impact of co-location	£13,200 approved at 30 September 2009 CPPU Board
TOTAL	£65,000