



FINANCE REPORT

BOARD MEETING – 30 JULY 2009

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

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

2. FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND 2008/09

- 2.1 The FSF allocation awarded to East Ayrshire CPP from the Scottish Government in 2008/09 was £4,652,205. Members will recall that there was a full allocation of FSF resources in this financial year.
- 2.2 Following approval by the Board at its last meeting, the 2008/09 FSF annual expenditure return was submitted to the Scottish Government on 30 April 2009, which identified a total spend of £4,159,141 in 2008/09 and requested that a balance of £493,064 should be made available for carry forward and utilised in 2009/10.
- 2.3 Correspondence received from the Scottish Government, dated 1 June 2009, confirmed approval by the Scottish Ministers for CPPs to carry forward FSF underspend from 2008/09 where this had been requested in the end year expenditure return.
- 2.4 Approval has been granted against a backdrop of strong competing pressures on resources. Consequently, the Scottish Government has advised that it will be important for CPPs to maximise spend over the current financial year and it is expected that any FSF carry forward requests into 2010/11 will be minimal. Subsequently, key project contact officers and departmental Financial Services Managers have been advised in this regard.
- 2.5 The Board will also recall that the financial records of the Council for 2008/09 remained open until May 2009 and are subject to external audit. Consequently and as agreed, a revised FSF financial return for the year just ended, where required, was submitted to the CPPU by recipient departments in June 2009. As reported to the Board at its last meeting, the Scottish Government is aware of this position and has confirmed that there will be no requirement for the CPP to submit a revised annual expenditure return.
- 2.6 The final outturn position for 2008/09 in respect of the FSF is detailed at Appendix 1, highlighting the actual disbursement of FSF resources of £4,133,980 when the accounts were closed in May 2009 and the revised balance of £518,225 for carry forward into 2009/10.
- 2.7 Appendix 1 also shows spend against the Community Planning Challenge Fund of £86,800, demonstrating a full spend of the £65,000 allocated in 2008/09 and the £21,800 uncommitted balance carried forward from 2007/08.

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

- 3.1 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 will recall that following approval of project proposals at its last meeting, there was a full allocation of FSF resources in 2009/10 and an unallocated balance of £169,800 in 2010/11.

- 3.2 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.
- 3.3 At the end of Quarter 1, 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 £1,104,987, leaving a balance of £4,034,238 in 2009/10 still to be utilised over the remainder of the year. The detail of which is included at Appendix 2.
- 3.4 Strathclyde Police has again requested that they continue to utilise the FSF resources set aside for the employment of a Campus Officer at St Joseph's academy in 2009/10 to part fund the ongoing costs associated with the existing Campus Officers for a further three month period. This will allow Strathclyde Police and the CPP Board time to consider the outcome of the Scottish Government's evaluation of Campus Officers which is due to be concluded in September 2009.
- 3.5 Further proposals in relation to the 2010/11 FSF budget are provided for consideration by the Board at Appendix 3. Subject to approval, and the linked Challenge Fund proposals, the FSF unallocated balance in 2010/11 would total £67,600.

4. **SMALL PROJECT DEVELOPMENT FUND 2009/10**

- 4.1 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 £20,000, which can be utilised to fund small projects linked to the CPP's broad themes and priorities.
- 4.2 The Board will recall that at its meeting on 11 December 2008, it was agreed that an annual allocation of £1,500 would be made available from the Small Project Development Fund to purchase reflective material for distribution to Primary 1 pupils in schools across East Ayrshire. These resources have now been transferred to the Roads Safety Improvements initiative's budget. As a result the annual Small Project Development Fund budget is £18,500.
- 4.3 At its meeting on 30 April 2009, the Board agreed to carry forward a balance of £12,237 from the 2008/09 Small Project Development Fund budget, providing a total of £30,737 available for future allocation in 2009/10.
- 4.4 Since the April 2009 Board meeting, the following allocations have been made from the Small Project Development Fund and are presented to the Board for noting:
- **Gilfoot and Girvan Crescent Tenants' and Residents' Association: £2,000.** To contribute to the cost of a 'Family Fun Day' scheduled to take place on 15 August 2009 in Newmilns.
- 4.5 The above allocations detailed at paragraph 4.4 leave a balance of £28,737 within the Small Project Development Fund for further allocation. It is anticipated that there will be a full spend against this budget in year.

5. **CHALLENGE FUND 2009/10**

- 5.1 The Council has again this year agreed an allocation of £65,000 in 2009/10 for the Community Planning Challenge Fund. Proposals to utilise part of the Challenge Fund are detailed for the Board's consideration at Appendix 3. Subject to approval by the Board of the proposals contained at Appendix 3 the Challenge Fund unallocated balance in 2009/10 would be £35,700.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 The Community Planning Partnership Board is requested to:

- i) note the submission of the FSF Annual Expenditure Return for 2008/09 to the Scottish Government on 30 April 2009 and that the request to carry forward identified underspend from 2008/09 into 2009/10 was approved and confirmed by the Scottish Government on 1 June 2009;
- ii) note the FSF final outturn position for 2008/09 and the revised balance available for carry forward into 2009/10;
- iii) note that it is expected by the Scottish Government that requests for FSF carry forward into 2010/11 will be minimal;
- iv) note the FSF actual spend at the end of Quarter 1 by key services/projects in 2009/10 ;
- v) consider and endorse the recommendations in respect of the project proposals provided at Appendix 3;
- vi) approve the continued use of FSF resources to secure the employment of the existing Campus Officers for a further three month period;
- vii) note the allocations from the Small Project Development Fund; and
- viii) otherwise, note the content of the report.

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East Ayrshire Council

15 July 2009

EAST AYRSHIRE
COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD: 30 JULY 2009
FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND 2008/09 - FINAL OUTTURN AS AT 30 APRIL 2009

Key Service / Project	2008/09 Allocation	Amounts Disbursed as at 30 April 2009 (Note 1)	Balance Available for Carry Forward into 2009/10
	£	£	£
Additional Police Resources	330,000	330,000	0
Breakfast Clubs	65,000	65,000	0
Carer and Young Carer Support	112,000	112,000	0
CCTV	100,000	100,000	0
Children Learning Health and Supported Play Initiative (CLHASP)	22,000	22,000	0
Citizens' Advice Bureau	26,450	26,450	0
Coalfield Communities Federation	57,800	57,800	0
Coalfield Community Transport	63,500	63,500	0
Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) and THI	100,000	0	100,000
Cumnock and Doon Valley Credit Union	50,000	50,000	0
Dalmellington Youth Centre (The Zone)	67,500	67,500	0
Early Intervention and Parental Capacity Building Programme	290,000	262,680	27,320
East Ayrshire JobRotation	71,000	71,000	0
East Ayrshire Woodlands	66,000	66,000	0
Environmental Hit Squad	50,000	50,000	0
Ethnic Minority Inclusion	40,000	40,000	0
External Funding and Sustainability Worker	30,000	30,000	0
Finance and Development Officer/Admin Worker/Other Staff Costs	16,455	16,455	0
Healthy Living Initiative	106,500	106,500	0
Kilmarnock Credit Union	50,000	50,000	0
Kilmarnock Shopmobility (joint allocation with Coalfield Community Transport)	20,000	6,263	13,737
Local Community Planning Forums	4,000	4,000	0
More Choices: More Chances	370,000	321,920	48,080
New Sporting Futures	253,000	253,000	0
North Federation	68,000	68,000	0
Recreation Partnership Project	135,500	135,500	0
Research Officer	29,000	9,540	19,460
Restoring Communities Programme	285,000	248,905	36,095
Road Safety Improvements	98,000	98,000	0
Skills Development and Employability Service	823,000	610,090	212,910
Street Lighting	172,000	166,714	5,286
Substance Misuse	47,000	47,000	0
Transport for Netherthird Nursery and Family Centre	10,000	10,000	0
yipworld.com	123,000	123,000	0
Youth Outreach	83,000	49,900	33,100
Administration/Management Fee	30,000	30,000	0
CPPU - Core Support	365,500	355,500	10,000
Effective Community Participation, Consultation and Engagement	2,000	2,000	0
Small Project Development Fund (Note 2)	20,000	7,763	12,237
TOTAL FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND	4,652,205	4,133,980	518,225
CHALLENGE FUND (Note 3)	86,800	86,800	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: Small Project Development Fund disbursements to date comprise:

• Reflective Material for Primary Schools	£1,005
• Kilmarnock Shopmobility	£578
• Stewarton Life-long Learning Committee	£180
• Fuel Assistance Scheme	£2,000
• Darvel Music Festival 2009: Fringe Event	£2,000
• Community Planning Awards Ceremony	£2,000
TOTAL	£7,763

Note 3: Challenge Fund includes £65,000 allocated in 2008/09 and £21,800 uncommitted balance carried forward from 2007/08.

Disbursements to date comprise:

• Victim Support	£5,080 approved at 18 September 2008 CPP Board.
• East Ayrshire Tourism Development	£59,000 approved at 11 December 2008 CPP Board.
• 'Design Workshop' -Glaishnock Shopping Centre, Cumnock	£10,000 approved at 11 December 2008 CPP Board.
• Fuel Assistance Scheme	£12,720 approved by Chair of CPP Board on 22 January
TOTAL	£86,800

EAST AYRSHIRE
COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD: 30 JULY 2009
FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND 2009/10

Key Service / Project	Allocation Agreed at CPP Board Meeting of 26 June 2008, 18 September 2008, and 11 December 2008	Carried Forward from 2008/09	Revised Allocation 2009/10	Amounts Disbursed to 30 June 2009 (Note 1)	Balance Available to Year End
	£				
Additional Police Resources	330,000		330,000	165,000	165,000
Breakfast Clubs	67,000		67,000	13,230	53,770
Carer and Young Carer Support	114,500		114,500	27,500	87,000
CCTV	100,000		100,000	22,656	77,344
Children Learning Health and Supported Play Initiative (CLHASP)	22,000		22,000	22,000	0
Citizens' Advice Bureau	100,000		100,000	50,000	50,000
Coalfield Communities Federation	59,500		59,500	29,500	30,000
Coalfield Community Transport (Note 4)	70,600		70,600	15,875	54,725
Community Health Improvement Project (CHIP)	109,500		109,500	27,375	82,125
Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) and THI	180,000	100,000	280,000	27,648	252,352
Cumnock and Doon Valley Credit Union	50,000		50,000	12,500	37,500
Dalmellington Youth Centre (The Zone)	69,000		69,000	17,250	51,750
Development Fund	0		0	0	0
Early Intervention and Parental Capacity Building Programme (including Wraparound Early Years Care and Parent Support)	300,000	27,320	327,320	99,660	227,660
East Ayrshire Credit Union Ltd	50,000		50,000	12,500	37,500
East Ayrshire JobRotation	71,000		71,000	17,750	53,250
East Ayrshire Woodlands	66,000		66,000	21,646	44,354
Environmental Hit Squad	50,000		50,000	11,538	38,462
Ethnic Minority Inclusion	40,000		40,000	6,220	33,780
External Funding and Sustainability Worker	30,000		30,000	8,779	21,221
Information Analyst	30,500	19,460	49,960	0	49,960
Kilmarnock Shopmobility (joint allocation with Coalfield Community Transport)	20,000	13,737	33,737	3,840	29,897
Local Community Planning Forums	6,000		6,000	745	5,255
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	34,430	383,650
New Sporting Futures	295,000		295,000	71,196	223,804
North Federation	67,000		67,000	16,750	50,250
Recreation Partnership Project	139,500		139,500	34,875	104,625
Restoring Communities Programme (new project name from 1 July 2008-previously Community Environmental Improvement Action Plans and Projects)	271,000	36,095	307,095	27,158	279,937
Road Safety Improvements	93,500		93,500	0	93,500
Skills Development and Employability Service (formerly Back to Work Connections)	700,000	212,910	912,910	133,120	779,790
Street Lighting	114,000	5,286	119,286	0	119,286
Victim Support	10,400		10,400	5,200	5,200
yipworld.com	126,000		126,000	63,000	63,000
Youth Outreach	85,000	33,100	118,100	33,390	84,710
Administration/Management Fee	30,000		30,000	0	30,000
CPPU - Core Support	365,500	10,000	375,500	70,656	304,844
Small Project Development Fund (Note 2)	18,500	12,237	30,737	2,000	28,737
TOTAL FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND	4,621,000	518,225	5,139,225	1,104,987	4,034,238
CHALLENGE FUND (Note 3)	65,000	0	0	0	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: 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
TOTAL	£2,000

Note 3: There have been no Challenge Fund disbursement to date.

Note 4: Includes £7,100 allocation at the CPP Board meeting on 30 April 2009.



FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND
PROJECT PROPOSALS 2009/10 and 2010/11

Project Name	Project Proposal	Requested Finance £	Recommended Allocation 2009/10 £	Recommended Allocation 2010/11 £	Comments
Bellsbank Project	<p>Bellsbank Project provides adult education programmes from its base in Bellsbank Community Wing. Financial assistance from the Fairer Scotland Fund is requested to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • expand project activity to other areas of the Doon Valley and develop a two year outreach development programme including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the provision of a Project Leader post (15 hours x 52 weeks); and an Administrative post (10 hours x 52 weeks); - the provision of tutors/crèche facilities; and - financial support with lets/office costs; travel/trips; and materials/equipment. <p>The project is also seeking match funding from the Ayrshire LEADER Programme.</p> <p>Project contributes to Community Planning and SOA priorities and meets funding criteria.</p>	22,012 split over a two year period	11,000 (Challenge Fund)	11,000 (FSF)	<p>Recommendation: Approval (subject to the match fund being secured from LEADER). 09/10 allocation to be met from the Challenge Fund. 10/11 allocation to be met from FSF. The project must, as a priority, give consideration to the long term sustainability of this initiative.</p>
Centrestage Music Theatre	<p>Centrestage Music Theatre proposes to bring the Flava Dance Troupe's 'b inspired' programme to Kilmarnock in October 2009 to work with young people in a series of dance workshops and showcase performances.</p> <p>The programme educates the participants in how their actions can affect other people, on the impact and consequences of peer pressure, and promotes safety and responsibility within the group. In addition, the programme helps equip participants with the skills to challenge improper behaviour and encourages positive engagement with Police and peers, through dealing with image, identity, bullying, substance abuse, gangs and potentially violent</p>	8,720	8,700 (Challenge Fund)	-	<p>Recommendation: Approval full allocation from Challenge Fund.</p>

	situations. Project contributes to Community Planning/SOA priorities and meets the funding criteria.				
Project Name	Project Proposal	Requested Finance £	Recommended Allocation 2009/10 £	Recommended Allocation 2010/11 £	Comments
Dalrymple Youth Centre	<p>Dalrymple Youth Centre engages with young people, aged 11-18 years in the community of Dalrymple and the surrounding area, focusing on capacity building opportunities through participation in youth related initiatives including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a junior/senior drop-in service offering opportunities for children to integrate, learn and thrive in a recreational environment, which will assist in their personal and social development; • information and advice to young people on issues, which affect their everyday lives; • access to projects focusing on art, drama, environmental issues and the media; and • educational activities to promote health awareness, including smoking cessation; teenage pregnancy; parenting skills; dental health; and drug/alcohol misuse. <p>Project contributes to Community Planning/SOA priorities and meets the funding criteria.</p>	9,600 per annum	9,600 (Challenge Fund)	9,600 (FSF)	Recommendation: Approval. Full 09/10 allocation to be provided to give the initiative renewed momentum. 09/10 allocation to be met from Challenge Fund. 10/11 allocation to be met from FSF and mainstream thereafter.
East Ayrshire Woodlands (ILM)	<p>East Ayrshire Woodlands (EAW) is a social forestry project, which provides training and work experience places (26–44 weeks) for long-term unemployed adults.</p> <p>The programme includes: guidance; counselling; certificated vocational training; skills development; and an aftercare service to assist people to secure employment.</p> <p>EAW seek financial support towards the core running costs of the project and activity related to the development of a dedicated Estates Team at Dumfries House. The funding would be used as a match for European funding.</p> <p>Project contributes to Community Planning/SOA priorities and meets the funding criteria</p>	81,600	0	81,600 (FSF)	Recommendation: Approval – subject to European funding being secured.

	Recommended Allocation 2009/10 £	Recommended Allocation 2010/11 £
Total Recommended Funding Challenge Fund	29,300	-
Balance for Future Allocation Challenge Fund	35,700	-
Total Recommended Funding Fairer Scotland Fund		102,200
Balance for Future Allocation Fairer Scotland Fund		67,600