



FINANCE REPORT

Board Meeting –11 March 2004

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To report to the Board on a range of financial issues pertinent to the projects supported by funding available to the East Ayrshire Coalfield Area Social Inclusion Partnership (SIP).

2. COALFIELD AREA SOCIAL INCLUSION PARTNERSHIP BUDGET ALLOCATION 2003/04

- 2.1 The 2003/04 core budget allocation from Communities Scotland to the SIP is £2,181,098.
- 2.2 As reported earlier to the meeting, the total allocation for 2003/04 was fully committed at the last Board meeting. To comply with the conditions of grant, as determined by Communities Scotland, the SIP must ensure a full spend on these resources. As a result of this the Community Planning and Partnership Manager, in consultation with the Chair of Social Inclusion and the Implementation Group, was remitted to continue to monitor project spend and ensure a full spend across all budgets.
- 2.3 To achieve this, the following action has been required:

Dalmellington Youth Centre – The SIP confirmed a financial allocation to the Dalmellington Youth Centre in 2003/04 of £35,000, as a match fund against a capital build. Unfortunately, due to build timescales the group advised the SIP that they could not guarantee a full spend within the financial year.

It was, therefore, agreed by the Implementation Group that the resources be withdrawn from the Youth Centre in 2003/04 and reallocated in 2004/05.

As a result of this decision, £35,000 was available to be utilised from the core budget prior to 31 March 2004 and the Implementation Group agreed to support the purchase of the CHIP van at a total cost of £45,000 (£10,000 of which to come from the 2004/05 budget).

- 2.4 The action taken at 2.3 ensures a full spend on the core budget for 2003/04.
- 2.5 It is also reported that there is an anticipated full spend on both the Empowering Communities and Tackling Drugs Misuse Budget at this stage. However, project spend will continue to be monitored.

3. SIP PROJECT DEVELOPMENT FUND 2003/04

3.1 The following allocations have been made from the SIP Project Development Fund since the last Board meeting, and are presented for information to the Board:

- Muirkirk Parents and Friends Group £2,000
- Road Safety Packs – Nurseries and Play Groups £2,000

3.2 These allocations ensure a full spend on the SIP Project Development Fund for 2003/04.

4. SIP TACKLING DRUGS MISUSE BUDGET 2004/05

4.1 Communities Scotland advised the SIP in writing on 20 January 2004 of a further allocation of £102,025 under the heading Tackling Drugs Misuse for 2004/05.

4.2 Proposals to utilise these resources are detailed at Appendix 1 and include the recommendation to transfer the resource allocation from the core budget for 2004/05 for the Community Drugs Worker (£30,000) and the Alternatives to Addiction Project (£42,500) to the Tackling Drugs Misuse budget heading.

4.3 Subject to Board approval of the proposals contained at Appendix 1, there will be a full allocation of resources for 2004/05 for Tackling Drugs Misuse.

5. COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT BUDGET 2004/05

5.1 Proposals to utilise the £60,000 Community Empowerment budget for 2004/05 are again detailed at Appendix 1.

5.2 The proposals include the recommendation to transfer the Coalfield Communities Federation core budget allocation of £15,000 to the Community Empowerment budget heading, deemed to be a more suitable budget code.

5.3 Subject to Board approval of the proposals contained at Appendix 1, there will be a full allocation of resources for 2004/05 against the Community Empowerment budget.

6. COALFIELD SIP CORE BUDGET 2004/05

6.1 Communities Scotland has confirmed a core budget allocation to the SIP for 2004/05 of £2,181,098. As a result of past Board meetings, a total financial allocation of £1,339,000 has been committed, leaving an unallocated balance of £842,098.

6.2 As a result of the conclusion of the review meetings and consideration of additional funding bids, a further package of financial allocations both to existing and new projects is detailed at Appendix 1.

6.3 Subject to Board approval of the proposal at Appendix 1 and the transfer of resources to more appropriate budget headings, the total allocation against the core budget for 2004/05 is £1,990,500, leaving an unallocated balance of £190,598.

7. EXPENSES PROCEDURE

- 7.1 The SIP currently operates a comprehensive expenses procedure for community representatives participating in SIP activity.
- 7.2 At this time, expenses and allowances are not provided to SIP Board private sector and self-employed representatives participating in SIP activity.
- 7.3 It is, therefore, proposed that the current expenses procedure provided for community representatives be extended to include both private sector and self employed representatives participating in SIP activity.
- 7.4 Subject to the Board's agreement, all future claim forms will require to be signed by the Community Planning and Partnership Manager.

8. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

- 8.1 Subject to approval, the financial allocations contained within this report are detailed as follows:

• Core Budget	£704,000
• Community Empowerment Budget	£ 60,000
• Tackling Drugs Misuse Budget	£102,025

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 9.1 The Board is asked to:
- i) note the decisions by the Implementation Group in respect of Dalmellington Youth Centre and the CHIP van, as detailed at 2.3;
 - ii) note the allocation of resources from the Project Development Fund, as detailed at section 3.2;
 - iii) note the additional resources allocated from Communities Scotland for 2004/05 for Tackling Drugs Misuse and agree to support the range of projects, as detailed in Appendix 1;
 - iv) agree the financial allocations contained in Appendix 1 relating to the Community Empowerment budget;
 - v) agree the financial allocations contained in Appendix 1 relating to the core budget;
 - vi) agree to expand the expenses procedure to private sector and self – employed representatives, as detailed at 7.4; and
 - vii) otherwise, note the content of the report.

Gwen Barker
Community Planning and Partnership Manager
4 March 2004

Project Name	Confirmed Financial Allocation 2004/05	Proposed Financial Allocation 2004/05	Comments
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SIP FINANCIAL INFORMATION - CORE BUDGET 2004/05 £2,181,098

CONDUIT	56,000		
EASY	68,000		
East Ayrshire Works	120,000		
Business Technology Training Centre (BTTTC)	28,500		
Individual Employment Fund	20,000		
East Ayrshire Woodlands		70,000	To match fund an application to the European Social Fund.
Healthy Living Initiative (C.H.I.P. Van)	40,000	10,000	The total cost of the purchase of the CHIP van was £45,000 - £35,000 from the 2003/04 budget. A further £10,000 is therefore required in 2004/05.
Community Food Initiative	10,000	24,000	A further £24,000 is required to integrate the Community Food Workers into the CHIP van initiative.
Creative Skills	30,000		
Community Learning Opportunities	0		Mainstreamed.
Community Environmental Action Plan	170,000		
yipworld.com	100,000	20,000	As a result of the project review meeting held in February 2004, the project identified operating costs at £120,000 per year.
Recreation Partnership Group	105,000		
Cumnock and Doon Valley Credit Union	TBC	25,000	Awaiting outcome of State Aid directive - £25,000 to be ring fenced.
Young Carers Initiative	42,500		
Satellite Carers Centre	45,000		
Alternatives to Addiction	42,500		Move to Tackling Drugs Misuse Budget.
Community Drugs Worker	30,000		Move to Tackling Drugs Misuse Budget.
Volunteer Centre East Ayrshire	11,000		
Princes Trust Volunteers	8,500		
Children's Holiday Project	TBC	30,000	Await the outcome of the Project Community Fund application - £30,000 to be ring fenced.
Coalfield Community Transport	45,000	9,000	To provide finance to purchase a computer software package to co-ordinate transport bookings.
Coalfield Communities Federation	15,000	20,000	To match fund an application to the Ayrshire Key Fund for a dedicated Development Worker - 1 year post. Move the core allocation of £15,000 to Community Empowerment budget.
SIP Project Development	15,000		
Bilingual Centre Development	30,000		
Investment in Drama	62,000		
Ayrshire ICT Social Enterprise	0		
Ayrshire Key Fund	0		

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SIP FINANCIAL INFORMATION - CORE BUDGET 2004/05 £2,181,098

Active Citizenship	TBC	56,000	Funding bid received for £56,000 - agree in principle. CCPM to be remitted to ensure match funding from EDSS.
Cumnock Swimming Pool	0		
Dalrymple Youth Provision	80,000		
Job Rotation	20,000		
Kickstart	30,000		
Dalmellington Youth Centre	35,000		
Social Economy Initiative	0	8000	In principle support - further consideration required.
Dalmellington Brass Band		36,000	To assist the band complete the funding package for the build of a new band hall.
Bellsbank Womens Project		26,000	To assist the group expand its client base to include men and upgrade their pc. The CPPM to be remitted to meet with the group to ensure effective implementation and explore opportunities to upgrade their current accommodation.
Logan Development		80,000	To part fund the development/refurbishment of a community facility within Logan.
Glaisnock Trust		120,000	To assist the Trust finalise the refurbishment of Glaisnock House and establish the European Centre for Creativity.
Enterprising Towns Initiative		40,000	To provide match funding for a European Application to establish sustainable social enterprises within the Coalfield Area, linked to the opportunities afforded via the European Centre for Creativity.
Support Team	85,000	130,000	To finance the realignment of posts in respect of the SIP integration to Community Planning and the operating costs of the SIP office base. The Board is asked to consider a future proposal to upgrade the SIP office.
SIP 2.5% Admin Charge	30,000		

CONFIRMED FINANCIAL ALLOCATION	£1,286,500	£704,000	PROPOSED FINANCIAL ALLOCATION
Unallocated Balance	£894,598	£190,598	Unallocated Balance
FINAL TOTAL	£2,181,098	£2,181,098	FINAL TOTAL

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SIP FINANCIAL INFORMATION COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT BUDGET - 2004/05 - £60,000

Coalfield Communities Federation	15,000		
Community Empowerment Worker	25,000		Continuation of existing post.
ICT, Training and Expenses for Community Reps	20,000		

TOTAL £60,000

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SIP FINANCIAL INFORMATION TACKLING DRUGS MISUSE BUDGET - 2004/05 - £102,025

Tackling Drugs Misuse Fund			
Alternatives to Addiction	42,500		
Community Drugs Worker	30,000		
<i>Employability Initiative (Elevation Project)</i>		20,000	<i>To continue the Elevation Pilot for a further 1 year.</i>
Capacity Building	0		
<i>Sport and Social Inclusion</i>		9,525	<i>To promote sport as an alternative to drug misuse.</i>

SUB TOTAL £72,500 £29,525

TOTAL £102,025