



FINANCE REPORT

Board Meeting – 23 September 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 East Ayrshire Coalfield Area Social Inclusion Partnership (SIP).

2. EAST AYRSHIRE COALFIELD AREA SIP CORE BUDGET 2004/05

- 2.1 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 £2,048,450 has been committed, leaving an unallocated balance of £132,648.
- 2.2 A further package of proposed financial allocations, both to existing and new projects, is detailed for the Board's consideration at Appendix 1.
- 2.3 Subject to Board approval of the proposals contained at Appendix 1, totalling £81,500, and to reclaim the £8,000 allocated to the Social Economy Initiative, the total allocation against the core budget for 2004/05 is £2,121,950, leaving an unallocated balance of £59,148.

3. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT FUND 2004/05

- 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:
 - **Cumnock Landward Community Council: £1,300**
To part fund a Community Fun Day for residents of Netherthird, Craigens and Skerrington, which will contribute to community participation in local communities.
 - **Coalfield Communities Federation: £2,000**
To part fund the hire of Hi-Arts Screen Machine mobile cinema for one week to tour three identified communities in the Coalfield Area.
 - **Coalfield Communities Federation: £1,700**
To allow three representatives from the Coalfield Communities Federation to attend the Coalfield Communities Campaign conference in Matlock, Derbyshire, which will facilitate networking across the UK.
- 3.2 The above package of support totals £5,000, leaving an unallocated balance within the Project Development Fund of £4,750.

4. STRATHCLYDE EUROPEAN PARTNERSHIP (SEP)

- 4.1 The responsibility for making comment, on behalf of the Board, on applications submitted for European Partnership funding relating to the Coalfield SIP area is delegated to the Community Planning and Partnership Manager.
- 4.2 This quarter, an application from Ayrshire Electronic Community (Ayrshire ICT Social Enterprise), with a total project value of £864,371 was considered. In view of the recommendations agreed by the SIP Board at its last meeting in respect of this project proposal, SEP was advised that this project required further consideration by the Board as part of the developing Regeneration Outcome Agreement.
- 4.3 The application for East Ayrshire Woodlands, which was recommended for approval by the Board at its last meeting, has been approved by SEP securing a total funding package of over £250,000. In addition, the Craigenkillan Outdoor Curling Initiative will receive consideration by SEP when full planning permission and match funding is in place.

5. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

- 5.1 Subject to approval of the financial allocations of £81,500 contained within this report (and the agreement to reclaim the £8,000 ringfenced for the Social Economy Initiative as detailed in Appendix 1), the remaining unallocated balance is £59,148.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1 The Board is asked to:
 - i) agree the package of projects, as detailed at Appendix 1;
 - ii) agree to re-allocate the full grant previously awarded 'in principle' to the Social Economy Initiative;
 - iii) note the allocations made from the Project Development Fund, as detailed at 3.1;
 - iv) note the recommendations made on behalf of, and the outcome of the applications recommended for approval, by the SIP to Strathclyde European Partnership; and
 - v) otherwise, note the content of the report.

Gwen Barker
Community Planning and Partnership Manager
15 September 2004

Project Name	Confirmed Financial Allocation 2004/05	Proposed (Additional) Financial Allocation 2004/05	Comments/Recommendations
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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 (BTTC)	28,500		
Individual Employment Fund	20,000		
East Ayrshire Woodlands	70,000		
Healthy Living Initiative (C.H.I.P. Van)	84,000		Inclusive of £34,000 to integrate the Community Food Initiative into the CHIP van.
Creative Skills	30,000		
Community Learning Opportunities	0		Mainstreamed.
Community Environmental Action Plan	170,000		
yipworld.com (including evaluation costs)	126,000		
Recreation Partnership Project	105,000		
Cumnock and Doon Valley Credit Union	25,000		Awaiting outcome of State Aid directive. £2,000 per month allocated to the project to ensure continuity.
Young Carers Initiative	42,500		
Satellite Carers Centre	45,000		
Volunteer Centre East Ayrshire	11,000		
Princes Trust Volunteers	8,500		
Children's Holiday Project	30,000		
Coalfield Community Transport	59,000		
Coalfield Communities Federation (Ayrshire Key Fund Match)	20,000		
SIP Project Development	15,000		
Bilingual Centre Development	30,000		
Investment in Drama	62,000		
Ayrshire ICT Social Enterprise			Application received from Ayrshire ICT Social Enterprise for £30,000 for 2005. Recommendation: Await outcome of SIP integration consultation exercise.
Ayrshire Key Fund	0		
Active Citizenship	56,000		
Cumnock Swimming Pool	0		
Dalrymple Youth Provision	80,000		
Job Rotation	20,000		Application received for £15,000 for 2005/06. Recommendation: To be considered as part of the Community Regeneration Fund development.
Kickstart	30,000		
Dalmellington Youth Centre (The Zone)	35,000		

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Bellsbank Adventure Playground (The Zone)		£37,500	Application received for revenue costs for 2004/05 of £65,731. Recommendation: Support allocation of £37,500, equating to part year costs.
Social Economy Initiative	(8,000)		Discussions with Cunningham Housing Association (CSA) suggest that it is unlikely that the required package of funding to implement the initiative will be secured within this financial year. Recommendation: Re-allocate total financial allocation.
Dalmellington Brass Band	36,000		
Bellsbank Womens Project	26,000	40,000	A funding package required to upgrade the project's accommodation. Recommendation: Approval.
Logan Development	80,000		To part fund the development/refurbishment of a community facility within Logan. Discussions with community groups convened, anticipated decision date from consultation is July 2004. The Board is asked to remit the CPPM and Chair of Social Inclusion to confirm funding package to ensure action in year.
Glaisnock Trust	120,000		
Enterprising Towns Initiative	40,000		
Support Team	215,000		
SIP 2.5% Admin Charge	30,000		
Nith Valley Co-op and Regeneration Project	40,000		Legal aspects finalised in respect of the financial allocation awarded from the SIP Fund.
New Cumnock Swimming Pool – Entry Cards	3750		
The Lighthouse Foundation	0		
Dalmellington Primary & Nursery Parents Association	3200		
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Rail Network Survey			Awaiting final costs and timescale for Study. Report to the next Board meeting.
CCTV Installation Netherthird			Funding application received for £50,000 to provide CCTV coverage in an area of Netherthird where vandalism, break ins and general disorder have been identified as a problem for some time. Full assessment of application required, report back to next meeting.
Dalmellington Health Initiative			Funding application received for £2,950 to train local volunteers to supervise exercise sessions for members of the public and Lifestyle Referral Groups within Dalmellington. Board is asked to remit the CPPM and Chair of Social Inclusion to confirm a funding package.
The Dalmellington Partnership			Funding application received for £9,700 to part fund the restoration of 1.5km of pathway and removal of debris along the Loch Doon riverbank. The SIP Board has already allocated substantial funds to a range of environmental improvements throughout the Coalfield Area. Recommendation: Refusal.
Muirkirk Enterprise Group		4,000	To purchase handheld computers as part of an audio guide tour system to be implemented in Muirkirk village. East Ayrshire Council will meet all other costs, totalling £20,000. Recommendation: Approval.

CONFIRMED FINANCIAL ALLOCATION	£2,048,450	£81,500	PROPOSED FINANCIAL ALLOCATION
Unallocated Balance	£132,648	£59,148	Unallocated Balance (Reclaimed £8k Social Economy Initiative finance added to total)
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		
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		
Employability Initiative (Elevation Project)	20,000		
Capacity Building	0		
Sport and Social Inclusion	9,525		

TOTAL £102,025