



## FINANCE REPORT

Board Meeting – 28 September 2006

### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To report to the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board on a range of financial issues pertinent to the projects and initiatives supported by funding available from the Community Regeneration Fund (CRF) and Community Voices Programme (CVP).

### 2. COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND / COMMUNITY VOICES PROGRAMME 2006/07

- 2.1 As previously reported, the CRF/CVP allocation to East Ayrshire CPP for 2006/07 is £4,166,750. At the Board meeting of 15 June 2006, Members agreed to utilise the 'ring-fenced' employment resources, totalling £140,000, to support the continuation of the two projects previously supported by the East Ayrshire Employment Initiative in 2005/06, namely East Ayrshire Works and the Individual Employment Fund, into 2006/07. This resulted in a full allocation of both CRF and CVP resources in 2006/07. A full copy of the 2006/07 allocations is attached at Appendix 1.
- 2.2 Communities Scotland has again provided the opportunity for the CPP to carry forward up to 20% of its 2006/07 CRF and CVP budgets into 2007/08. To allow the CPP Board to make an informed decision and submit a return to Communities Scotland, all CRF and CVP funded projects have been requested to consider their financial projection and identify any underspend up to 31 March 2007. Projects declaring an underspend were provided with an opportunity to identify proposals to utilise these resources within the financial year.
- 2.3 In addition, all projects and initiatives have been reminded that all CRF/CVP resources require to be fully spent by 31 March 2007 and that there is no capacity to over spend within the CRF and CVP budgets.
- 2.4 Two projects have declared an underspend, namely the North Federation of Community Groups at £2,500 and the Community Planning and Partnership Unit (CPPU) at £20,000. It is proposed that the North Federation of Community Groups be allowed to utilise their resources, either on the refurbishment of new DDA compliant premises or on a range of promotional/developmental materials. It is proposed that the £20,000 declared underspend by the CPPU be carried forward into 2007/08 and reallocated to the Development Fund for future project allocation.
- 2.5 The Board should also note an ongoing carry forward of £1,015,000, into 2007/08, from the former Better Neighbourhood Services Fund programme linked to the development of the new Shortlees Primary School and community facility. This carry forward received endorsement by Communities Scotland and the Scottish

Executive in 2005/06 and this endorsement continues. It is anticipated that the new School and community facility will be finalised during the autumn/winter of 2007.

### **3. SMALL PROJECT DEVELOPMENT FUND 2006/07**

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 delegated budget of £20,000, which can be utilised to fund small projects linked to the CPP's broad themes and priorities.

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

- **Burnton Residents' Association: £2,000**  
To contribute to the cost of drainage and environmental work within Burnton to allow the development/refurbishment of the play park.
- **Prince's Trust Volunteers: £200**  
To fund the purchase of a range of promotional materials and project materials for the Prince's Trust Open Day organised by Team 73. All proceeds from the event to be forwarded to the Macmillan Cancer Relief Fund.
- **Shopmobility: £1,800**  
To assist the project with overall promotional and publicity costs.
- **Patna Adults, Children and Teenagers (PACT): £2,000**  
To part finance young people's access from Dalmellington and Patna to professional tuition in the local fitness suite.
- **Investment in Arts: £1,700**  
To part finance transporting young people from the Doon Valley area to participate in Cumnock Youth Theatre.

3.3 The above package of support totals £7,700, leaving a balance of £7,500 for further allocation throughout the year.

### **4. CHALLENGE FUND 2006/07**

4.1 Again, Members will recall that as a result of a projected underspend in 2005/06, £57,550 of Challenge Fund resources were carried forward into 2006/07. In addition, the Council agreed a further allocation of £65,000 in 2006/07, leaving a total of £122,550 for allocation during the current financial year.

4.2 To date £42,250 has been allocated leaving a balance of £80,300 for allocation. A range of funding proposals is detailed below.

- **Leisure/Physical Activity Vouchers for Homeless People : £5,000**  
In partnership with East Ayrshire Homelessness Strategy, Health and Homelessness Implementation Group, East Ayrshire Council's Leisure Services will provide vouchers for the Galleon, Visions and other leisure facilities as part of the lifestyle referral scheme.

- **Truancy Initiative : £11,000**

Working in partnership with Strathclyde Police and a range of providers, the New Sporting Futures project has piloted a local truancy initiative. As this has been considered successful, the team is keen to expand the initiative to all 9 Secondary Schools in East Ayrshire.

- **'Show Racism the Red Card' : £4,000**

To establish a localised 'Show Racism the Red Card' initiative targeted at all 46 primary schools in East Ayrshire. The programme will be operated in partnership with Kilmarnock Football Club and the local authority and will utilise the national 'Show Racism the Red Card' educational materials.

- **Community Planning Launch and Showcase : £5,000**

To support a range of Community Regeneration Funded projects participate in the Community Planning Showcase planned for March 2007.

4.3 Subject to CPP Board approval for the £25,000 detailed above, the balance of the Challenge Fund for future allocation would be £55,300.

## 5. EUROPEAN FUNDING APPLICATIONS

5.1 The Community Planning and Partnership Manager has delegated responsibility for making recommendations on behalf of the CPP Board on European funding bids related to the East Ayrshire area. This quarter, one relevant application was considered and the following recommendation made:

- Skills for Employability and Employment: Objective 2 European Social Fund (ESF); Grant Applicant: Kilmarnock College; Total Project Value: £152,400  
Recommendation: Approval

5.2 The above ESF intervention will assist 50 unemployed people in East and North Ayrshire to achieve business-related vocational qualifications. In addition, the project will provide opportunities for beneficiaries to develop a range of core and personal skills, making them more 'job ready' for the expanding business sector of the local economy.

## 6. COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND AND COMMUNITY VOICES PROGRAMME 2007/08

6.1 The CRF/CVP allocation to the CPP in 2007/08 is detailed as follows:

	£
Community Regeneration Fund	3,254,000
Community Voices Programme	99,000
<b>Total Allocation</b>	<b>3,353,000</b>

6.2 As Board Members will recall, the decision was taken by the Board during the development of the Regeneration Outcome Agreement, that with the exception of flagship projects, community planning related capacity building projects and core

operating costs, which received a three year funding package, all remaining projects would received a two year funding package to allow for overall review and alignment with the four-yearly review of Community Planning taking place in 2006/07 and due to be implemented in 2007/08.

- 6.3 As a result of this, in February 2005 at the joint North Social Inclusion Initiative and Coalfield Area Social Inclusion Partnership Board, a financial package totalling £1,042,000 was approved for 2007/08. Over a range of Board meetings, with a number of adjustments made to funding totals, the total allocation to these projects was increased to £1,064,500.
- 6.4 Due to the excellent work carried out by a range of projects, as demonstrated at the Project Annual Reviews in October/November 2005, the Board at its meeting of 9 March 2006 agreed to a further funding allocation in 2007/08 for those projects which achieved maximum pointage in the review process and these projects were added to the overall flagship project list. This allocation totalled £535,000, giving an overall allocation of resources in 2007/08 of £1,599,500 and a remaining balance of £1,753,500 for further allocation.
- 6.5 As part of the Community Planning review process, discussions have been held with a range of partners and projects, in an attempt to secure the transition from CRF/CVP resources to a more appropriate funding source, provide longer term sustainability where appropriate and meet the required £813,750 expenditure reduction from the 2006/07 budget of £4,166,750 to £3,353,000 in 2007/08.
- 6.6 Detailed at Appendix 2 to the report, is a list of projects proposed for exit from CRF/CVP resources in 2007/08. Of the 19 projects listed, the following 3 projects will have their practice/core activity mainstreamed within existing Council activity:
  - East Ayrshire Works
  - Individual Employment Fund
  - Void Housing.
- 6.7 Work is ongoing to further consider mainstreaming opportunities for 2 projects, namely: ICT in the Community and Road Safety. In addition, as per the original discussions regarding the CHP Domestic Abuse Initiative, it is anticipated that subject to successful evaluation, the practice of this project will be mainstreamed by the Community Health Partnership.
- 6.8 In addition, due to the positive start made by the Play and Activity Motivator (Early Years), the Council's Neighbourhood Services Department has agreed to resource this project until August 2007 to allow for an evaluation of project activity to take place and further consideration of longer term funding.
- 6.9 Auchinleck One Stop Shop, which is a capital only project in 2006/07, will naturally exit from CRF resources at the end of 2006/07. In addition, the Logan Development was a small grant to assist the establishment of a youth committee and this funding was a one off allocation in 2006/07. The remaining 10 projects will be supported to explore alternative funding.
- 6.10 Subject to Board approval, each project will receive support from their nominated Lead Officer and the Council's External Funding staff between the end of

September 2006 and 31 March 2007 to ensure the effective and smooth exit from CRF/CVP resources.

- 6.11 It is proposed that a decision on the 2007/08 funding position for those projects not listed at Appendix 2 or within the category of flagship, community planning capacity building or core support, be determined in response to the planned Annual Review process. This is subject to a more detailed report to the Board (Agenda Item 8).

## 7. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

- 7.1 Summarised are the proposed financial allocations subject to CPP Board approval:

<b>Funding</b>	<b>Summary</b>
CRF Declared Underspend 2006/07	North Federation – Utilise by Project CPPU – Carry forward to 2007/08 and reallocate to Development Fund.
Challenge Fund 2006/07	£25,000 allocated, leaving a balance of £55,300 for future allocation.

- 7.2 An allocation from the 2006/07 Small Project Development Fund of £7,700 leaves a balance of £7,500 for future allocation.

## 8. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 The Board is asked to:
- i) note the declared underspend for CRF resources in 2006/07 and endorse the proposal that the North Federation utilise their £2,500 underspend;
  - ii) endorse the proposal to carry forward the £20,000 declared underspend from the CPPU to 2007/08 and reallocate to the Project Development Fund;
  - iii) note the allocations from the Small Project Development Fund in 2006/07;
  - iv) endorse the allocations from the Challenge Fund, as detailed at paragraph 4.2;
  - v) note the recommendation make to Strathclyde European Partnership in respect of the Skills for Employability and Employment project;
  - vi) endorse the proposals for projects exiting CRF/CVP resources at the end of 2006/07 as detailed at Appendix 2; and
  - vii) otherwise, note the content of the report.

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**12 September 2006**

## COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

## COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND (CRF) / COMMUNITY VOICES PROGRAMME (CVP) 2006/07

Project	CRF/CVP Agreed Allocation 2006/07 £
Addiction Prevention Project (DIVERT)	45,000
Additional Police Resources	200,000
Aspirational Learning	5,000
Atrium Homes and Cunninghame Housing Association - East Ayrshire Partnership ILM	25,000
Auchlinleck One Stop Shop	150,000
Breakfast Clubs	60,000
Business Technology Training Centre (BTTC)	28,000
Carer and Young Carer Support	106,000
CCTV	170,000
CHP Domestic Abuse Initiative	31,000
Coalfield Communities Federation	48,250
Coalfield Community Transport	63,000
Community Environmental Improvement Action Plans and Projects	230,000
CONDUIT	56,000
Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) - Kilmarnock Town Centre	50,000
Creative Skills	30,000
Cumnock and Doon Valley Credit Union	30,000
Dalmellington Youth Centre (The Zone)	62,000
Dalrymple Youth Provision	30,000
Development Fund	0
Dialogue Youth Active Citizenship	60,000
East Ayrshire JobRotation	36,000
East Ayrshire Strategy for Youth (EASY)	112,000
East Ayrshire Woodlands	80,000
East Ayrshire Works	120,000
Effective Community Participation, Consultation and Engagement	90,000
Environmental Hit Squad	260,000
Ethnic Minority Inclusion	40,000
External Funding and Sustainability Worker	34,000
Healthy Living Initiative	145,000
ICT in the Community	100,000
Individual Employment Fund	20,000
Investment in Arts	63,000
Kickstart Worker	31,500
Logan Development	4,000
New Sporting Futures	87,000
North Federation	39,500
Play and Activity Motivator (Early Years)	38,000
Prince's Trust Volunteers	8,500
Recreation Partnership Project	135,000
Research Officer	26,000
Road Safety	39,000
Small Project Development Fund	20,000
Swimming Pool Development Programme	94,000
Transport for Netherthird Nursery and Family Centre	45,000
Void Housing Environmental Scheme	117,000
Volunteer Centre East Ayrshire	11,000
Wraparound Early Years Care	277,000
yipworld.com	120,000
Youth Outreach	145,000
Core Support	280,000
Monitoring and Evaluation	70,000
<b>COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND AND COMMUNITY VOICES PROGRAMME</b>	<b>4,166,750</b>

## COMMUNITY REGENERATION FUND AND COMMUNITY VOICES PROGRAMME

## PROPOSED EXITING PROJECTS AT 31 MARCH 2007 BY ROA THEME

	Budget Information 2006/07 (£)	Budget Information 2007/08 (£)	Savings Required To Meet 2007/08 Allocation	
			(£)	%age Savings
Community Regeneration Fund (CRF)	4,067,750	3,254,000	813,750	20%
Community Voices Programme	99,000	99,000	-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,166,750</b>	<b>3,353,000</b>	<b>813,750</b>	<b>20%</b>

ROA Theme	Project Details 2006/07	
	Total Value £	CRF/CVP Allocations £
Active Communities	515,000	259,500
Attractive Communities	1,552,000	267,000
Healthy Communities	114,000	114,000
Safe Communities	39,000	39,000
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**PROPOSED EXITING PROJECTS AT 31 MARCH 2007 BY ROA THEME:  
SKILLED COMMUNITIES**

Project	Project Details 2006/07		Staffing Position	Lead Department and Project Status	Comments  (As confirmed by respective Executive Directors and endorsed by CMT)
	Total Value £	CRF/CVP Allocations £			
Atrium Homes and Cunninghame Housing Association – East Ayrshire Partnership ILM	290,800	25,000	4  (not funded by CRF)	Atrium Homes and Cunninghame Housing Association	Lead Department to assist project to explore external funding opportunities. One off project funding possibly available from Communities Scotland for similar projects.
East Ayrshire Works	120,000	120,000	Nil	Development and Property Services	Absorb practice into Working for Families Fund project.
Individual Employment Fund	20,000	20,000	Nil	Development and Property Services	Absorb practice into Working for Families Fund project.
ICT in the community	100,000	100,000	4  (temp till March 2007)	Educational and Social Services	Audit of ICT to be carried out. Lead Department to consider a range of external funding opportunities.
Prince's Trust Volunteers	47,300	8,500	4  (3 CRF/CVP part funded till March 2007)	Kilmarnock College	Lead Department to assist project to explore external funding opportunities.
<b>Total</b>	<b>578,100</b>	<b>273,500</b>			

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**PROPOSED EXITING PROJECTS AT 31 MARCH 2007 BY ROA THEME:  
SAFE COMMUNITIES**

Project	Project Details 2006/07		Staffing Position	Lead Department and Project Status	Comments  (As confirmed by respective Executive Directors and endorsed by CMT)
	Total Value £	CRF/CVP Allocations £			
Road Safety	39,000	39,000	2 <small>(1 CRF/CVP part funded. 1 Full CRF/CVP)</small>	Development and Property Services	Negotiations with E&SS to take place.
<b>Total</b>	<b>39,000</b>	<b>39,000</b>			

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**PROPOSED EXITING PROJECTS AT 31 MARCH 2007 BY ROA THEME:  
HEALTHY COMMUNITIES**

Project	Project Details 2006/07		Staffing Position	Lead Department and Project Status	Comments  (As confirmed by respective Executive Directors and endorsed by CMT)
	Total £	CRF/CVP Allocations £			
Addiction Prevention Project (DIVERT)	45,000	45,000	1  (CRF/CVP funded. Temp until March 2007)	Educational and Social Services	Lead Department to consider a range of external funding opportunities, including ADAT and Drugs money.
CHP Domestic Abuse Initiative	31,000	31,000	1  (CRF/CVP funded. Temp until March 2007)	Community Health Partnership	Independent evaluation to be commissioned. CHP to consider mainstreaming project.
Play and Activity Motivator (Early Years)	38,000	38,000	1  (CRF/CVP funded till March 2007)	Neighbourhood Services	Neighbourhood Services to fund until August 2007 to allow evaluation of project activity to take place.
<b>Total</b>	<b>114,000</b>	<b>114,000</b>			

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**PROPOSED EXITING PROJECTS AT 31 MARCH 2007 BY ROA THEME:  
ATTRACTIVE COMMUNITIES**

Project	Project Details 2006/07		Staffing Position	Lead Department and Project Status	Comments  (As confirmed by respective Executive Directors and endorsed by CMT)
	Total Value £	CRF/CVP Allocations £			
Auchinleck One Stop Shop	1,435,000	150,000	1  (not funded by CRF) Capital Only	Development and Property Services  (Voluntary Organisation)	Capital project only. No issues.
Void Housing Environmental Scheme	117,000	117,000	1  (CRF/CVP part funded till March 2007)	Neighbourhood Services	Mainstream practice/core activity.
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,552,000</b>	<b>267,000</b>			