

# Western Edinburgh Neighbourhood Partnership

4.15 pm Tuesday, 23 April 2013

## Community Grants Fund Report

Item number	5.1
Report number	
Wards	Ward 3 - Drum Brae/Gyle Ward 6 – Corstorphine/Murrayfield

### Links

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Single Outcome Agreement	SO2, SO3, SO4

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# Executive Summary

## Community Grants Fund Report

### Summary

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This report provides details of Community Grants Fund applications made to the Western Edinburgh Neighbourhood Partnership

### Recommendations

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To recommend that Western Edinburgh Neighbourhood Partnership

- notes the report.
- agrees to support the recommendations

### Measures of success

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The Community Grants Fund aims to encourage small scale activity that benefits local communities and supports the work of the NPs and its Community Plan. The success of the Neighbourhood Partnership Boards decision will be measured through Community Grants Fund awards addressing NP priorities and through the Western Edinburgh Neighbourhood Partnership's Performance Framework.

### Financial impact

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The indicative Community Grants Fund allocation for the Western Edinburgh Partnership amounts to £39,621 in 2013/14

There have been no awards made to date. Four grants are recommended for approval in this Report totalling £11,256, should the recommendations be approved, grants awarded to date will total £11,256 leaving a balance of £28,365 for future allocation.

## Equalities impact

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Local community planning activity and the work of NPs contributes to the delivery of the Equality Act 2010 general duties of advancing equality of opportunity, eliminating unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and fostering good relations. This is evidenced through the engagement strategies and plans which involve working with all partners and members of the community, detail how barriers to engagement will be removed and seek to promote buy in across communities to common goals.

## Sustainability impact

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There are no adverse environmental implications arising from this report.

## Consultation and engagement

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Any constituted voluntary organisation or community group operating in the City of Edinburgh, and in the Neighbourhood Partnership areas can make a submission for a CGF award. The CGF is promoted through the Partnership and Information team and application material is provided through a number of sources including the area office and Partnership webpage.

## Background reading / external references

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- Neighbourhood Partnership, Community Grants Fund Criteria – Guidance Note for Applicants
- Project applications in the Services for Communities files
- Community Grants Fund Reports [Minutes of the Western Edinburgh Neighbourhood Partnership Meetings]
- Western Edinburgh Community Plan 2011-2014

[Neighbourhood Partnership website](#)

## Community Grants Fund Report

### 1. Background

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- 1.1 The Neighbourhood Partnership Community Grants Fund is a small grants scheme supported by funds provided by the City of Edinburgh Council and is open for applications throughout the year (subject to availability of funds).
- 1.2 The fund aims to encourage small scale activity that benefits local communities and supports the work of Neighbourhood Partnerships and their Local Community Plans.
- 1.3 The fund can provide grants of up to £5,000 to voluntary and community groups, and is allocated locally by Neighbourhood Managers following the advice of the Neighbourhood Partnership.

### 2. Main report

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- 2.1 The Neighbourhood Partnership's revenue budget allocation in 2013/14 amounts to £39,621.
- 2.2 Grant applications are invited from fully constituted organisations with open membership criteria. The upper limit for grants is normally £5,000 but higher amounts can be awarded in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the Neighbourhood Manager and Partnership.

#### 2.3 Gyle Recreation Grounds Committee

The Gyle Recreation is a local community centre that aims to provide opportunities for local residents – especially young people. This is done through aiding sporting and social activities in the Corstorphine area. The Committee manage a pavilion which hosts football teams, zumba and karate classes and are responsible for the 11-a-side football pitch. The Committee requests grant to assist the purchase and required works, of changing cabins for the 11-a-side pitch. The current facilities are based over 500 yds. away from the pitch side, which the applicant states does not comply with league regulations for the teams that wish to progress to an east of Scotland league level. It is also stated that new facilities would minimise risk to young players before/after matches and foster a safe recreational environment.

Previous CGF Activity                      CGF award of £629 – 2012/13

Grant requested: £5,000  
Recommendation: £5,000

**Related Condition**

It is a related condition of this award that outstanding documentation, previously requested, must be provided and that the appropriate planning permissions are in place, before an offer of grant is issued.

2.4    Edinburgh and Lothians Twins & Multiples Club [ELTMC]

The main aims of the [ELTMC] are to provide information and support to local parent/ carers of twins or more. To provide or facilitate play opportunities for children of multiple birth families and to work in conjunction with the Twins and Multiple Births Association in support of research and campaigning to improve the lives of multiple birth families. The Club organises a Bumps, Babies and Toddlers [BBT] group meeting every Friday morning at St. Tomas's Church Hall in Corstorphine. The BBT is open to non – member families. There are a number of other BBT groups throughout the City.

The applicant requests grant, firstly, to assist in the establishment of a toy library, including play equipment, arts and crafts materials and storage containers. Secondly, to assist in the outlay costs for the Club's 2013 summer fair, that raises money towards group activities. The Group anticipates loaning and rotating some of their toys and equipment with other BBT groups across Edinburgh and the Lothians as suitability and playability depends on the ages of children attending.

Previous CGF Activity                      None

Grant requested        £2,980.00  
Recommended        £2,031.00

2.5    Corstorphine Youth and Community Association

The CYC Centre is based in Kirk Loan, Corstorphine and provides affordable good quality meeting spaces for local organisations and educational, social and recreational opportunities for the local community. The applicant requests grant to fund a community event for the area. The Corstorphine Fair is held bi-annually [2010-2012-2014 and the Association held an event in 2011 which the submission states as being well attended and successful. An award would fund activities such as Hire of: ponies, bouncy castle, roundabout, BBQ, DJ and assorted tombolas/games.

Previous CGF Activity                      CGF award of £3,136 - 2008/09  
   CGF award of £4,560 – 2009/10

CGF award of £5,000 – 2010/11

CGF award of £3,000 – 2011/12

Grant requested £1,770

Recommended £1,770

## 2.6 Craigmount Management Committee

The Craigmount Community Wing aims to be a place where you can meet new friends, become part of the community, have your say, update your skills, or start you own class with the support of centre workers. Support and help is provided for a number of community groups using centre including; school lunch clubs, breakfast clubs, Primary 7 transition groups. Also on offer are; Adult Education classes; Art and Craft groups Computing classes, digital photography and free internet access, fitness classes, groups for older people, parent and carers information sessions, parent and carer/baby and toddler groups, social events, play room with outdoor play area, lounge with kitchen

The applicant requests grant to deliver activities for young people in the Western Edinburgh NP area over the summer holidays. On offer will be activities that reflect the needs of local teenagers. The programme will provide local teenagers with an opportunity to try new exciting experiences, learn new skills, make friends and have fun.

Previous CGF Activity - CGF award of £4,560 – 2009/10

Grant requested £2,455

Recommended £2,455

## 3. Recommendations.

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- a) To award a grant to the Gyle Recreation Grounds Committee as outlined in paragraph 2.3
- b) To award a grant to the Edinburgh and Lothians Twins and Multiples Club as outlined in paragraph 2.4
- c) To award a grant to the Corstorphine Youth and Community Association as outlined in paragraph 2.5
- d) To award a grant to the Craigmount Management Committee as outlined in paragraph 2.6

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APPENDIX ONE

<u>Name of applicant group</u>	<u>Purpose of grant</u>	<u>Amount requested</u>	<u>Assessment stage</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
<b>Approved at NP Meeting on 23 April 2013</b>				
Gyle Recreation Grounds Committee	Contribution towards purchase of Porto-cabins	£5,000	Complete and fully assessed	£5,000 Approved on 23.04.13
Edinburgh and Lothians Twins and Multiples Club	Support to purchase play equipment and other	£2,980.74	Complete and fully assessed	£2,031 Approved on 23. 04.13
Corstorphine Youth and Community Association	Contribution towards a community fair	£1,770	Complete and fully assessed	£1,770 Approved on 23.03.13
Craigmount Management Committee	Contribution towards the children and young people's Summer Programme	£2,455	Complete and fully assessed	£2,455 Approved on 23.03.13

<b>OPENING BALANCE</b>	<b>£39,621</b>
<b>ALLOCATED</b>	<b>£00.00</b>
<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE</b>	<b>£39,621</b>
<b>RECOMMENDED ON 23 APRIL 13</b>	<b>£11,256</b>
<b>REMAINING BALANCE</b>	<b>£28,365</b>