

Liberton Gilmerton Neighbourhood Partnership

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Liberton Gilmerton Neighbourhood Partnership Community Grant Applications

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Executive summary

This report is intended to provide members of the Liberton Gilmerton Neighbourhood Partnership with sufficient information to enable them to make decisions as to the award of grants under the Community Grants Scheme

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Report

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Recommendations

- 1.1 Note the contents of this report.
- 1.2 The Neighbourhood Partnership considers making a partial award of £3,324 to the Health Opportunities Team as described at paragraph 3.1.
- 1.3 The Neighbourhood Partnership considers making an award of grant of £2,839 to the Friends of Seven Acre Park as described at paragraph 3.2
- 1.4 Members should refer to paragraphs 5.4 to 5.7 where a compromise recommendation is explained.

Background

- 2.1 The Community Grants Fund is a small grants fund designed to enable the community to provide activities that benefits local communities and supports the work of the Neighbourhood Partnership and the local Community Plan. Grants of up to £5,000 can be awarded for a wide variety of activities intended to enhance existing provision and improve the quality of life of local people
- 2.2 The Community Grants budget for Liberton Gilmerton Neighbourhood Partnership for the fiscal year 2014-2015 is £29,595.

Main report

Applications

- 3.1. **Health Opportunities Team (HOT):** HOT is seeking funding of **£4,667** in order for them to run a six month pilot of a proposed new drop-in at Inch Sports Centre which is intended to improve the sexual and emotional health and well-being of local young people by providing a safe and comfortable space for them to access services.

This application meets the criteria for Community Grant Funding and contributes to the Partnership's priority of *Develop Youth Talk Outcomes*. It is therefore recommended for consideration.

- 3.2. **Friends of Seven Acre Park:** This Friends Group are seeking a grant of **£2,839** in order to meet a shortfall in the total funding of £12,839 required to install a multi use outdoor gym facility in Seven Acre Park. Outdoor gyms are a relatively new phenomenon but are welcomed and well used within the communities which enjoy them eg Wester Hailes where Edinburgh's first outdoor gym was installed in Hailes Quarry Park.

This application meets the criteria for Community Grant Funding. It cuts across all of the Partnership's priorities in terms of health and in particular addresses the Partnership's priority of *Reduce Isolation in Older People (50+)*. It is therefore recommended for consideration

Measures of success

- 4.1. The Community Grants Fund aims to encourage small scale activity that benefits local communities and support the work of the Neighbourhood Partnership and the Local Community Plan. At the end of a specific project applicants are required to submit an evaluation report highlighting the achievements and benefits accrued from receiving a grant.
- 4.2. Key Indicators of the overall success of the investment include having a positive impact on the following measure of local people's "satisfaction levels" as taken from the Edinburgh Peoples Survey:
- Neighbourhood as a desirable place to live
 - Different backgrounds get on well together
 - Able to have a say on local services
 - Satisfaction with specific services.

Financial impact

- 5.1. The Liberton Gilmerton Neighbourhood Partnership budget amounts to £29,595 in 2014/15. The total of grants awarded cannot exceed the annual budget.
- 5.2. To date 12 grants have been awarded, leaving a balance for allocation at 1 October 2014 of £6,163.

- 5.3. The total of the two grants requested amounts to £7,506 which exceeds the balance available of by £1,343. The Neighbourhood Partnership is reminded that it cannot overspend on this budget.
- 5.4. The Neighbourhood Partnership may wish to fund both projects Discussions have taken place with the projects in order to ascertain the financial implications of a partial grant.
- 5.5. **Health Opportunities Team:** The organisation has agreed that it could run the project for 16 weeks rather than 20 or alternatively run for 20 weeks with only two project workers. Either way they are able to absorb a reduction. The project has other funding applications in the pipeline which, if successful, could extend their programme
- 5.6. **Friends of Seven Acre Park:** This group has no other further funding available. The project already has a commitment from the City of Edinburgh Council in the sum of £10,000 and is looking to the LGNP to meet the shortfall of £2,839 or 22% of the overall cost. This represents good value. A partial grant could see the project falter.
- 5.7. **Recommendation:** It is therefore recommended that Health Opportunities Team be awarded a partial grant of £3,324 and Friends of Seven Acre Park the full amount of £2,839. Assuming approval of both amounts the Community Grants fund for Liberton Gilmerton would be allocated in full and therefore closed for the remainder of the financial year

Risk, policy, compliance and governance impact

- 6.1. There are no significant risk, policy, compliance or governance implications arising from this report. The total value of grants awarded cannot exceed the annual budget and this is stringently controlled by the Neighbourhood Team.

Equalities impact

- 7.1. The Community Grants Fund guidelines stipulate that all projects/activities to be funded must be for the benefit of residents of the City of Edinburgh Neighbourhood Partnership areas. In addition the application form contains a section requesting information as to how the proposal meets the needs of equalities groups. Only when Neighbourhood Partnership staff are satisfied that an application is wholly inclusive will it be put forward for consideration.

Groups are reminded of the requirement for them to be actively inclusive to all sections of the community.

Sustainability impact

8.1. The Community Grants Fund enables voluntary sector organisations to provide enhanced services and/or activities that are outwith the scope of mainstream provision. This helps to engender an ethos of the community working together and create more cohesive neighbourhoods.

Consultation and engagement

9.1. The Community Grants Fund is publicised through the Neighbourhood Partnership website. In addition “Meet the Funder” events are held throughout the year which promotes Community Grants amongst other funding streams. A “Students in the Community Event” is held, a form of Participatory Budgeting. The fund is promoted wherever possible and is well known to the point where demand now exceeds the annual budget.

9.2. Community engagement is widely supported throughout the Liberton Gilmerton area and a range of methods are used to support community outcomes and activities.

Background reading / external references

General information on Community Grants including Guidelines and application forms can be viewed via the [Liberton Gilmerton Neighbourhood Partnership website](#).

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Links

Coalition pledges	P33 – Strengthen Neighbourhood Partnerships & further involve local people in decisions on how Council resources are used
Council outcomes	CO10 – Improved health and reduce inequalities CO14 – Communities have the capacity to help support people. CO21 – Safe – Residents, visitors and businesses feel that Edinburgh is a safe city. CO23 – Well engaged and well informed – Communities and individuals are empowered and supported to improve local outcomes and foster a sense of community.
Single Outcome Agreement	SO1 – Edinburgh’s Economy delivers increased investment, jobs and opportunities for all. SO2 – Edinburgh’s citizens experience improved health and wellbeing, with reduced inequalities in health. SO3 – Edinburgh’s children and young people enjoy their childhood and fulfil their potential SO4 – Edinburgh’s Communities are safer and have improved physical and social fabric
Appendices	Appendix 1: Allocation Spreadsheet 2014-2015 Application

ALLOCATION 2014/15

No	Award Date	Organisation	Purpose	Amount	Total
1	19.03.14	Hyvots & Moredun Residents Assoc	Website, Advertising & Training for support volunteers	1,500	
2	19.03.14	Older & Wiser	Bus trips for the elderly 2014	2,760	
3	19.03.14	Gilmerton CC - Wheels & Sticks	six months of sessional worker time	1,407	
Total Awards					5,667
4	18.06.14	Arts South Edinburgh	Autumn/Christmas Fair	2,800	
5	18.06.14	Valley Park Community Centre	Consortium Summer Activity Application	3,965	
6	19.06.14	Edinburgh South Cricket Club	Summer coaching sessions	-	
7	19.06.14	Gilmerton Community Centre	Autumn Residential and preliminary team build sessions	-	
8	19.06.14	Liberton Out of School Club	Summer/Autumn holiday activities and Xmas Concert	2,165	
9	19.06.14	Tron Kirk - Dram Tique	Youth Theatrical Production	903	
10	19.06.14	South Edinburgh Cluster Youth Group	Activity Weekend @ Lagganlia Adventure Camp	2,000	
11	19.06.14	Bridgend Growing Communities	Workshops making link between growing & healthy eat	1,250	
12	19.06.14	Bridgend Inspiring Growth	Outdoor survival workshops - age appropriate	1,660	
13	19.06.14	Inch Park Sports Club	Summer Activity Programme for S1-S3 age group	1,187	
14	19.06.14	Edinburgh South Football Club	Purchase and install set of football goals + nets	1,835	
Total Awards					17,765
15		Health Opportunities Team	Drop-in Pilot at Inch Park Sports Centre	4,667	<i>for consideration</i>
16		Friends of Seven Acre Park	Installation of Outdoor Multi Gym	2,839	<i>for consideration</i>
Total Awards					7,506
				Balance	- 1,343



Neighbourhood Partnership Community Grants Fund (CGF)
FUNDING APPLICATION FORM
Awards of up to £5,000

Ref no. (Office Use Only) _____

Your Organisation

Organisation name: HEALTH OPPORTUNITIES TEAM EDINBURGH

Principal contact name & position: NIKI POWERS, Managing Director

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Website address: www.health-
opportunities.org.uk

Please give us a brief description of your organisation's main aims and activities (max 500 words)

The Health Opportunities Team works to improve the quality of life for vulnerable young people in the most deprived areas of East and South Edinburgh, by supporting them to manage their emotional, social and sexual well-being. We have over 4,500 contacts with young people each year through our drop-in service, one-to-one counselling, group work and health projects, and work with schools and community health partners.

We deliver a variety of emotional and sexual health group work and 1-1 programmes that are freely available for young people. We enable young people's voices to be heard through advocacy and youth participation and we build the capacity of professionals through training, development and consultancy. Our current areas of work focus on:

Mental Health and Well-Being
Sexual Health and Well-Being

Our work targets young people in the 12-19 age range, many of whom are experiencing various kinds of disadvantage. In some cases we work with vulnerable young people aged 10-12 and 19-25 years, dependent on available resources.

Other agencies provide levels of support to young people, but there are a number of unique qualities that make us stand out from the crowd:

- We are a dedicated young people's health education service – it's our forte!
- We are independent and youth-oriented, giving young people an enhanced sense of trust and credibility in our services,
- The staff who deliver our services have a very high visibility with young people – young people know us as real people,
- Young people can refer themselves through our dedicated health drop-ins.

We now want to build on the success of our existing sexual/emotional health Drop-In provision in Craigmillar & Portobello by consolidating and expanding the service in the Liberton & Gilmerton areas; neighbourhoods where young people experience similar levels of social, economical and health inequalities. We will work in partnership with Inch Park Community Sports Club to establish the only drop-in service in the area.

Our team is in an excellent position to deliver this project:

- We are already successfully delivering an effective project in another area, providing a 'best practice' blueprint for roll-out into Liberton/Gilmerton.
- We already deliver sexual/emotional health services in Liberton/Gilmerton and are familiar to the young people and other community partners.

This application is for funding to run a 6 month pilot of the new drop-in at Inch Sports Centre and we are requesting £4667 funding.

Your project

CGF is predominantly for small, new, one off projects that directly benefit the Neighbourhood Partnership area and help progress one or more of the Neighbourhood Partnership's local priorities which are included in the Local Community Plan and can be found on the [Partnership's website](#).

Please describe this new project, showing what activities will take place, who will benefit and how it would meet our local priorities (max 1000 words – *box will expand to fit*)

The purpose of this new project is to improve the sexual and emotional health and well-being of young people in the Liberton & Gilmerton area by providing a safe and comfortable space for them to access services. The new drop-in will contribute to local priorities:

- Our young people are physically and emotionally healthy.
- Improve health outcomes for young people in respect of healthy weight, emotional and mental health and risk taking behaviours relating to drugs, alcohol and sexual activity.
- Our young people's outcomes are not undermined by poverty and inequality.
- The gap is narrowed between the least and most affluent young people leaving school

with positive options and making positive choices.

Our targets are:

To create a safe and welcoming space within the Inch Park Community Sports Centre

To deliver 22 drop-in sessions

To provide information, advice or sign-posting to 110 contacts

To build capacity by increasing skills/experience of 1 professional

We will work in partnership with Healthy Respect and C:Card in the way we currently do in Craigmillar/Portobello and The Mansion.

The Drop-in will offer fun, interesting health promotion activities in the waiting space so that young people can familiarise themselves with the service, build relationships with the workers and feel more comfortable to access a consultation if they want or need to. Topics covered include smoking, alcohol brief interventions, stress, sexting and assertiveness.

We will offer a range of services – a space to talk about life, feelings, relationships but also to access condoms with C:Card, pregnancy testing, Chlamydia testing and information advice and support with a range of emotional and sexual health issues including alcohol and substance misuse.

We will require some capital investment to create an appropriate and comfortable space: furnishings, notice board and resources, but the main funding will mainly support staffing for the drop-in sessions.

Where will your proposal be based?

Inch Park Community Sports Club

Projects can be funded up to six months. If your project is time limited, please state dates and reasons why:

This is a 6 month pilot project, continuation subject to securing funding, for which we are preparing a funding strategy.

How many people from this NP will benefit from your proposal?

This project will benefit 110 young people over the 6 month pilot and 1 professional working with young people.

How will your proposal meet the needs of equalities groups?

Our project addresses some of the significant inequalities identified in the local community. Areas within Liberton and Gilmerton have a significantly higher rates of people excluded from the world of work. Compared to the rest of Scotland, there is a higher proportion of the working age population who not working due to ill health or disability. Areas within Liberton and Gilmerton contain health risks much higher than the average for Scotland – that is that there is a higher level of risk associated with poor health (i.e. admission rates for alcohol or drug taking or prescriptions for anxiety, depression or psychosis). Compared to the rest of Scotland, Liberton and Gilmerton (within Gracemount and Moredun in particular) has lower levels of people within education, moving into further education, and performing well at school. The Viewfinder 3 survey found that 42% of young people in Portobello/Craigmillar and in Liberton/Gilmerton would like to have support or help managing their emotions.

Young people within the communities where we work are at greater risk of poverty, disaffection from school, poor educational and employment prospects, early parenthood, discrimination and exclusion. In addition, many of the young people we work with are dealing with issues surrounding fractured home life; poor social skills; abuse; significant loss and peer isolation.

Are any other organisations involved in your proposal – if so, which?

Inch Park Community Sports Club

Have you consulted anyone in relation to your propo

A HOT representative attended the YouthTalk13 event which involved young people and professionals working with young people. We have also consulted with Healthy Respect, C:Card and local medical services/pharmacists about delivery of sexual health services. The project is being developed in partnership with Inch Park Community Sports Club and we will carry out consultation with young people in the community prior to launching the service.

Have you obtained any consents, permissions or insurance necessary to carry out your proposal? (We may ask you to provide evidence of this.)

~~Yes~~/~~No~~/Not necessary

How did you find out about this fund?

Local forum/contacts and we are previous applicants.

Project Financial Information

Project costs - Please list each item of expenditure for this project, showing how calculated, and please ENCLOSE QUOTATIONS OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF COSTS , including in kind:	
Drop-in space furnishings based on current IKEA prices: Noticeboard 2 x £4.50 Seats 3 x £75 Large Rug £55 Lamps 2 x 12 Cushions 3 x 10	343
Resources Approx printing costs of leaflets, handouts, posters	100
3 x Sessional Workers @ £16 per hour x 4 hrs x 22 weeks	4224
1 x Inch Park Youth Worker @ £15 per hr x 3 hrs x 22 wks	990
Total expenditure	£5657
Project income - If you have any match funding or in kind funding for this project, or if income from charges is anticipated, please list these here:	
Youth Worker Costs supplied in-kind	990
Total income	£990
Amount requested from this fund:	£4667



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Your Organisation

Organisation name:	Friends of Seven Acre Park
Principal contact name & position:	Jeni Rowe Chairperson of Friends of 7 Acre Park
Address and Post Code:	
Telephone number:	Fax number:
Email address:	Website address:
<p>Please give us a brief description of your organisation's main aims and activities (max 500 words)</p> <p>To work as a friends and local community group to improve Seven Acre Park for the better and enjoyment of the local people</p>	

Your project

<p>CGF is predominantly for small, new, one off projects that directly benefit the Neighbourhood Partnership area and help progress one or more of the Neighbourhood Partnership's local priorities which are included in the Local Community Plan and can be found on the <u>Partnership's website</u>.</p> <p>Please describe this new project, showing what activities will take place, who will benefit and how it would meet our local priorities (max 1000 words – <i>box will expand to fit</i>)</p> <p>To contribute towards a multi use outdoor gym for installation in Seven Acre Park. The majority of funding has already been secured from the City of Edinburgh Council and the Friends Group is seeking to meet the £2,839 shortfall from an overall budget of £12,839.</p> <p>The introduction of this equipment cuts across all the Liberton Gilmerton priorities for 2014-2017 but in particular addresses the priority of <i>Reducing isolation in older people (50+)</i>. The gym provides a facility which can bring people together and in an encouraging environment help people make new friends. In a limited way the gym also addresses a YouthTalk pledge of improved facilities for young people.</p>

The gym will include a Cross Trainer, Bench Press, Recumbent Bike and Instruction panel. It can be used by all ages and will encourage people to take more exercise and enjoy healthy living within the Liberton and Alnwickhill Neighbourhood.



The equipment is robust and can withstand heavy use from both young and old.

Although designed for adults the Friends Group recognises that children may be tempted to try and use the equipment. The equipment is designed to withstand being climbed upon by young people and children.

Where will your proposal be based?

Within the locale of Liberton and Alnwickhill but accessible to all residents of Liberton Gilmerton

Projects can be funded up to six months. If your project is time limited, please state dates and reasons why:

No

Project likely to be completed by February 2015

How many people from this NP will benefit from your proposal?

Possibly thousands.

How will your proposal meet the needs of equalities groups?

The Multi Gym equipment can be used by all ethnic backgrounds. It is also accessible to those with limited physical disabilities. It has proved so far in other areas extremely popular with the both the young and older generations. Hopefully when installed will encourage more of them to use their local park for fitness as well as pleasure and get more people off the couch or computer in into the open spaces.

Are any other organisations involved in your proposal – if so, which?

City of Edinburgh Council

Have you consulted anyone in relation to your proposal – if so, who?

Mike Shields, Community Parks Officer

Have you obtained any consents, permissions or insurance necessary to carry out your proposal? (We may ask you to provide evidence of this.)

Yes from City of Edinburgh Council

How did you find out about this fund?

Mike Shields, Community Parks Officer

Project Financial Information

Project costs - Please list each item of expenditure for this project, showing how calculated, and please **ENCLOSE QUOTATIONS OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF COSTS**, including in kind: If there is specific element(s) of this you are requesting from the Neighbourhood Partnership, please state clearly

Capital Cost of Multi Gym	12,839
Total expenditure	£12,839

Project income - If you have any match funding or in kind funding for this project, or if income from charges is anticipated, please list these here:

City of Edinburgh	10,000
Installation work undertaken by the City of Edinburgh Council	
Total income	£10,000

Amount requested from the Community Grants Fund: £2,839