

# Craightinny & Duddingston Neighbourhood Partnership

6pm, Tuesday 27 September 2016

## Craightinny & Duddingston Neighbourhood Partnership – Community Grants Fund

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# Executive summary

## Craightinny & Duddingston - Community Grants Fund: Tuesday 27 September 2016

### Summary

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This report is intended to provide members of the Craightinny & Duddingston Neighbourhood Partnership (NP) with sufficient information to enable them to make decisions as to the award of grants under the Community Grants Fund.

The allocation for 2016/2017 is **£22,810**.

### Declarations of interest

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None

### Recommendations

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- 1 Two new applications have been received and the NP is asked to consider the details and advise how they wish to proceed:
  - **St John's RC Primary School Parents Council** – Applied for funding to support the purchase of 'Play in a Pod' equipment. This application meets the grants criteria and addresses local priorities included in the Local Community Plan and is recommended for an award of **£2,000**.
  - **Link up Women's Support Centre** - has applied for £1,973 to support the provision of an eight week pilot programme of 'Feel Good Fridays' to run between the 28th October and December 2016. Activities aim to promote mindfulness, resilience and to promote healthy eating. The recipients will be mothers and their children, (aged 1 to 6). The aim is to improve mental health and emotional wellbeing of the recipients. This application meets the grants criteria and addresses local priorities included in the Local Community Plan and is recommended for an award of **£1,973**.
- 2 Following consideration of the process for grant awards, the Neighbourhood Partnership has agreed to set closing dates for new Community Grant Applications for **1 October 2016** and **17 January 2017** and this information has been added to the website.
  - Recommendation - to note this change.

## Measures of success

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The Community Grants Fund aims to encourage small scale activity which benefits local communities. It also supports the work of the Neighbourhood Partnership and the delivery of the outcome included in the Local Community Plan. Key indicators of the overall success of the investment include satisfaction with:

- Neighbourhood as a place to live
- Different backgrounds can get on well together
- Able to have a say on local services
- Specific services.

## Financial impact

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If the recommendation for the new awards included in this report is agreed, the balance for future allocation will be **£6,887**.

## Equalities impact

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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

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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

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Information on the Community Grants Fund is available on the Neighbourhood Partnership website. In addition, "Meet the Funder" events are held throughout the year, which promote Community Grants alongside other funding streams. The local Partnership Development Officer attends local events and provides information on Community Grants to local groups.

## **Background reading / external references**

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Copy of the application forms and additional information supplied by applicants is available at the Business Meeting. However, because this contains confidential information e.g. bank details, these are not made available to the public.

# Report

## Craigentenny & Duddingston Neighbourhood Partnership: Community Grants Fund Report - 27 September 2016

### 1. Purpose of the Report

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- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide details of the applications to the Neighbourhood Partnership's Community Grants Fund in 2016/17.
- 1.2 The Neighbourhood Partnership is asked to note one new award made under Delegated Authority and to consider one new recommendation included in this report and to advise how they wish to proceed.
- 1.3 The report also outlines the current budgetary position in 2016/17.

### 2. Main report

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- 2.1 The Neighbourhood Partnership Community Grants Fund budget for 2016/17 is **£22,810**.
- 2.2 Grant applications are invited from fully constituted organisations with open membership criteria. The upper limit for grants is normally **£2,000**.
- 2.3 In this financial year, to date the Neighbourhood Partnership has allocated grants amounting to **£11,950**.
- 2.4 This leaves a balance of **£10,860** for future allocation and two new applications are included in this report for consideration.
- 2.5 After discussion, the Neighbourhood Partnership has agreed to set two closing dates for future Community Grants applications in this financial year. The agreed dates are: **1 October 2016 and 17 January 2017**.

### 3. New Applications

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- 3.1 **St John's RC Primary School Parents Council** – has applied for funding to support the introduction of a 'Play in a Pod' programme using a comprehensive package of start-up resources. The aim is to encourage the personal development of young people and their wellbeing. This application meets the grants criteria and addresses local priorities included in the Local Community Plan. The application is **recommended for an award of £2,000**.
- 3.2 **Link up Women's Support Centre** - has applied for £1,973 to support the provision of an eight week pilot programme of 'Feel Good Fridays' to run

between the 28th October and December 2016. Activities aim to promote mindfulness, resilience and to promote healthy eating. The recipients will be mothers and their children, (aged 1 to 6). The aim is to improve mental health and emotional wellbeing of the recipients. This application meets the grants criteria and addresses local priorities included in the Local Community Plan. This application is **recommended for an award of £1,973**.

## 4. Financial Implications

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- 4.1 If the new recommendations included in section three of this report are agreed, two awards amounting to **£3,973** will be made. This will leave a balance of **£6,887** for future allocation.

## 5. Recommendations

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- 5.1 The Neighbourhood Partnership is asked to:
- note that the Partnership has agreed closing dates for new Community Grants Applications and these are included in section 2.5 of this report; and
  - consider two new recommendations outlined in sections 3.1 and 3.2 of this report, and to advise how they wish to proceed.

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### Links

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<b>Coalition pledges</b>	33 – Strengthen Neighbourhood Partnerships and further involve local people in decisions on how Council resources are used.
<b>Council outcomes</b>	CO14 – Communities have the capacity to help support people. CO19 - Attractive Places and Well Maintained – Edinburgh remains an attractive city through the development of high quality buildings and places and the delivery of high standards
<b>Single Outcome Agreement</b>	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.

Appendix 1

**C&D COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS 2016-2017**

REFERENCE	APPLICANT	REQUEST / PURPOSE	CONTACT	AMOUNT	AWARD	APPROVED	
NP2/1/16-17	Northfield and Willowbrae Community Centre	Family summer event	Brenda Devlin	£1,795	£1,795	05-May-16	
NP2/2/16-17	Lochend Community Growing Project	Lochend Secret Garden project	Linda Rodgers	£1,370	£1,370.	06-May-16	
NP2/3/16-17	Craigtinny-Lochend Social Centre	Activities for older people	Donna Melrose	£1,862	£1,862	21-June-16	
NP2/4/16-17	St Ninian's School Community Council	Bike racks and playground paint	Louise Murray	£2,000	£2,000	21-June-16	
NP2/5/16-17	Craigtinny Garden Allotments Association	Allotments Project	Rachel Purnell	£1,363	£1,363	21-June-16	
NP2/6/16-17	Hermitage Park School Association	Community Playground improvement	Julie Scotland	£2,000	£2,000	21-June-16	
NP2/7/16-17	Royal High Primary Parent Council	Develop school's planting and growing area	Caroline Kaye	£1,560	£1,560	21-June-16	
NP2/8/16-17	St John's RC School Parent Council	Play-in-a-Pod Programme	Kirsty McWilliam	£2,000	Pending		
NP2/9/16-17	Link-Up Women's Support Centre	"Feel Good Fridays", mindfulness, healthy eating	Laura Plumb	£1,973	pending		
				<b>Budget 2016/17</b>	<b>£22,810</b>	<b>Current Balance</b>	£10,860