

North West Locality Committee

6.30pm, Wednesday 30 January 2019

Local Community Grants Fund Applications and Neighbourhood Environment Programme Projects 2018/19

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| Item number | 8.4 |
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Executive Summary

Committee is asked to approve the recommendations from Almond and Western Neighbourhood Partnerships for Community Grants Fund applications, and from Forth, Inverleith and Western Neighbourhood Partnerships for Neighbourhood Environment Programme projects.

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1. Recommendations

- 1.1 It is recommended that Committee approve:
- 1.1.1 the recommendations of the Almond and Western Neighbourhood Partnerships in relation to Community Grants Fund applications as noted at 3.1 and 3.3 below; and
 - 1.1.2 the recommendations of the Forth, Inverleith and Western Neighbourhood Partnerships as noted at 3.6, 3.9 and 3.12 below.

2. Background

- 2.1 Approval of Community Grants Fund (CGF) applications and Neighbourhood Environment Programme (NEP) projects are functions devolved to the Locality Committee.
- 2.2 Almond and Western Neighbourhood Partnerships have made CGF recommendations on new applications since the North West Locality Committee meeting on 14 November 2018.
- 2.3 Forth, Inverleith and Western Neighbourhood Partnerships have made recommendations on NEP projects since the last NEP report to Committee on 19 June 2018.

3. Main report

Community Grants Fund Applications

- 3.1 At its meeting on 3 December 2018 Almond Neighbourhood Partnership recommended the following awards of Community Grants Fund: -

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| Craigroyston Community Youth Football Club | £1,623 |
| SHE Scotland CIC | £1,000 |
| Almond Community Safety Panel | £395 |
| Muirhouse Salvesen Community Council | £613 |

- 3.2 Almond Neighbourhood Partnership also agreed to re-direct £5,000 (previously agreed by North West Locality Committee) to further support the development of YouthTalk across Almond.
- 3.3 At its meeting on 6 December 2018 Western Neighbourhood Partnership recommended the following awards of Community Grants Fund
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| Adoption UK (Scotland) | £3,865 |
| Corstorphine Primary School Parent Council | £5,000 |
| React to Rugby | £2,160 |
| Corstorphine Cougars Rugby Club | £5,000 |
| Friends of Roseburn Park | £700 (in principle) |
- 3.4 Western Neighbourhood Partnership also agreed to re-direct £4,000 (previously agreed by North West Locality Committee) to support the development of YouthTalk which is underway in the area.
- 3.5 Forth (£793), Inverleith (£10,554) and Western (£6,243) Neighbourhood Partnerships have Community Grants Funding budget remaining, and Committee will receive further reports as they make recommendations on awards.

Neighbourhood Environment Programme

- 3.6 At its meeting on 6 November 2018 Forth Neighbourhood Partnership recommended the following projects as its Housing Revenue Account (HRA) funded NEP for 2018/19:

| Location | Project | Estimated cost |
|---|---|-----------------------|
| 60-62, 41-47, 63-77 Ferry Rd Drive 7-13, 10-12 W Pilton Street | To replace fencing and create bin recesses | £63,000 |
| 24-28 Crewe Rd West | To upgrade fencing & garden pathways | £7,600 |
| Andrew Wood Court & Auchinleck Court | To create community garden and seating area | £30,000 |
| Auchinleck Court | To replace brickwork and install planters | £20,000 |
| 11-15, 12-14 Wardieburn St East | To replace fencing and create bin recesses | £40,000 |
| 8 Wardieburn St East | To provide seating in grassed area | £3,500 |
| 49-61, 58 Ferry Rd Drive | To replace fencing and create bin recesses | £40,000 |
| Inchcolm Court | To plant mixed fruit trees in community garden | £3,500 |
| Rear of 27 Granton Medway / Granton Cres | Towards improvements to community growing area (pending detailed proposals) | £25,000 |

| Location | Project | Estimated cost |
|--------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Annfield | To overhaul and replace boundary fence | £12,000 |
| Great Michael Rise | To widen bend on grassed area | £9,000 |
| | TOTAL | £253,600 |
| | BUDGET | £313,244 |
| | Balance | £59,644 |

- 3.7 In addition, the neighbourhood partnership agreed to consider further fencing and bin improvements in Granton Medway, subject to the approval of Granton & District Community Council, and to explore whether stairs at Granton Crescent/Granton Square could be improved as a NEP project, with a view to either of these projects fully committing the 2018/19 HRA NEP budget.
- 3.8 The Forth NP Roads & Footpaths NEP budget is fully committed.
- 3.9 At its meeting on 30 October 2018 Inverleith Neighbourhood Partnership agreed to alter its recommendation previously reported to Committee on 19 June 2018, and instead recommend the following projects as its 2018/19 HRA funded NEP:

| Location | Project | Estimated cost |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Wester Drylaw Row | fencing | £45,000 |
| Easter Drylaw Avenue | fencing | £46,500 |
| Easter Drylaw Gardens | community gardens | tbc |
| Easter Drylaw Park | lighting | tbc |
| Bedford Court | upgrade drying areas | tbc |
| | TOTAL | £91,500 |
| | BUDGET | £100,912 |
| | Balance | £9,412 |

- 3.10 The balance of the budget will be committed on one of the 3 proposals to be costed, subject to further discussion with the neighbourhood partnership board.
- 3.11 In addition, the neighbourhood partnership requested that Committee consider a report on the 2018/19 Roads and Footpaths NEP, which is a separate item on this meeting's agenda.
- 3.12 At its meeting on 6 December 2018 Western Neighbourhood Partnership agreed to alter the recommendation previously reported to Committee on 19 June 2018, and instead recommend the following projects as its 2018/19 Roads & Footpaths NEP:

| Location | Project | Estimated cost |
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| Drum Brae Crescent/Parkgrove Road | improve steps | £8,000 – to be funded from Roads revenue budget |
| Drum Brae/Drum Brae Drive | contribution to signalised junction with pedestrian crossings | £70-£100,00 |
| | TOTAL | £70-£100,000 |
| | BUDGET | £98,678 |
| | Balance | any under/overspend to be carried forward |

3.13 The Western HRA funded NEP budget is fully committed.

3.14 Almond Neighbourhood Partnership has fully committed both its HRA and Roads & Footpaths budgets.

4. Measures of success

4.1 The success of awards of CGF will be measured by the extent to which they benefit local communities, support the work of the Neighbourhood Partnerships and further Locality Improvement Plan priorities.

4.2 NEP projects allow locally prioritised capital works which would not otherwise be funded to go ahead, and once complete should contribute to increasing the proportion of residents who express satisfaction with their neighbourhood as a place to live, and who feel that they are able to have a say on things happening in their area, as measured by the Edinburgh Peoples Survey.

5. Financial impact

5.1 All awards can be contained within the Community Grants Fund and Neighbourhood Environment Programme budgets for North West.

6. Risk, policy, compliance and governance impact

6.1 There are no significant risk, policy, compliance or governance implications arising from this report.

7. Equalities impact

- 7.1 Locality community planning activity contributes to the delivery of the Equality Act 2010 general duties of advancing equality of opportunity and fostering good relations, as evidenced through the engagement strategies and plans which involve working with all partners and members of the community.

8. Sustainability impact

- 8.1 NEP projects improve the quality of the local environment.

9. Consultation and engagement

- 9.1 Opportunities to bid for CGF are widely advertised to appropriately constituted groups within neighbourhood partnership areas, and for NEP projects from community groups, community councils and elected members. Furthermore localised consultation is carried out with tenants and residents in the immediate vicinity of NEP projects which are prioritised.
- 9.2 Neighbourhood Partnership boards discuss and make recommendations on the level of CGF funding awarded and prioritisation of NEP projects at public and business meetings.

10. Background reading/external references

- 10.1 Community Grants Fund applications
- 10.2 Neighbourhood Environment Programme project papers
- 10.3 Neighbourhood Partnership minutes

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