

COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE FOR CARLISLE

Meeting date: 3 March 2023

From: Assistant Director – Customer and Community Services

AREA PLANNING REPORT

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 *This report provides local committee with recommendations and matters to note relating to:*

- *Budget commitments*
- *Grant allocations from the recommendations of its Strategic Grants Panel*
- *Other relevant matters relating to Area Planning.*

2.0 STRATEGIC PLANNING AND EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

2.1 *The items covered by this report support the council to achieve the outcomes stated in the Council Plan 2018-2022:*

- *People in Cumbria are healthy and safe*
- *Places in Cumbria are well-connected and thriving*
- *The economy in Cumbria is growing and benefits everyone*

2.2 *The items covered by this report support Carlisle Local Committee to achieve its agreed priorities of:*

- *Developing our economy and infrastructure*
- *Improving health and wellbeing*
- *Improving outcomes for children and young people*
- *Developing thriving communities*

2.3 *Improved locality working is one of the ways the council is delivering on its priorities. The county council vision, included in the Council Plan 2018-2022, sets out that it will be 'A Council that works with residents, businesses, communities and other organisations to deliver the best services possible within the available resources.' The approach and work of the Local Committee directly contributes to this vision.*

2.4 *Locally devolved funding is available for Carlisle Local Committee to allocate within the area to support positive outcomes, targeted and mainstream, designed to improve outcomes for the communities of Carlisle. This funding can be targeted to initiate new activity or to enhance/complement existing provision according to locally determined need.*

2.5 *A separate Equality Impact Assessment is not required for this report since equality issues are dealt with at a project level for each of the applications to funding within the course of the year.*

3.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 *That the Committee notes the commitments made and the remaining balances within delegated budgets and notes the grants detailed in Appendix 1;*

3.2 *That the Committee notes grants made from its Area Wide Funding as listed below and summarised in Appendix 2*

- *£350 to Heads Nook Village Hall o/b Pickleball club towards Pickleball Equipment*
- *£3000 to Effective Communities towards Cranemakers Heritage Information Structures*
- *£1449 to RAW Arts Carlisle towards exhibition set up and transport*
- *£1764 to North Cumbria Rescue & Response Team towards various training courses*
- *£3160 to St Margaret Mary Parish Community Centre towards bifold tables*
- *£120 to Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help o/b Carlisle Catholic Archives community group towards history information boards*
- *£2,600 to Friends of Hammonds Pond towards information boards for the park*
- *£1000 to Carlisle Matters - Harvest Events to run community events in four locations where organisations and residents come together;*

3.3 *That the Committee notes grants made from its 0-19 Funding as listed below and summarised in Appendix 3;*

- *£500 to Stanwix Rural Parish Council towards replacement of swings at Linstock Play Area – toddler, older children and one inclusive swing*
- *£567 to Meerkats Netball Club toward new Junior Playing Kit*
- *£1000 to Friends of Newtown Primary School towards City Breaks for Year 6 pupils from three primary schools*
- *£885 to You Shall Go to the Ball To Support 50 young people for their School leavers event;*

3.4 *That the Committee agrees the revised programme for Environment Fund 2022/23 as detailed in para 4.3 and 4.4;*

- 3.5** *That the Committee notes the recommendations for future Area Planning priorities based on the workshop and review of the Carlisle Area Plan 2019-22 attached at appendices 5 and 6 .*

4.0 BACKGROUND

Community Budget

- 4.1 A summary of spending against Local Committee discretionary budgets is provided at Appendix 1. Further details can be provided to councillors on request. Monitoring reports will be provided to local committee members at each committee meeting to summarise the most up to date position with regard to the Communities Budget, taking account of decisions taken by the Local Committee. Further information concerning spending against the spending from the discretionary grants budget lines is available from the Carlisle Community Development Team and reported to the grants panel as required

Local Committee Strategic Grants Panel

- 4.2 Attached at Appendix 2 is a summary of the Area Planning Fund Grants and at Appendix 3 a summary of 0-19 grants following a meeting of the Local Committee Strategic Grants Panel on 15th February 2023.

Environment Fund 2022/23

- 4.3 Attached at Appendix 4 is a revised Environment Fund Programme for 22-23. Unfinished works will be carried forward into 23-24 but members are recommended to approved the revised programme which involves the removal of the proposed path through Carlisle Cricket Club and replaces it with urgent improvements to the path around Carlisle Castle
- 4.4 Given land ownership and potential flooding issues, the original proposal to link Eden Bridge through Carlisle Cricket Club to the path at Etterby Terrace, this will not be deliverable within a reasonable timescale and will be added to a list of previously agreed works for delivery in the future.

Review of Area Planning

- 4.5 Members attended an Area Planning Session designed to review the Area Plan which expired in December 2022. The session made a number of recommendations for taking forward initiatives into the new arrangements for Area/Neighbourhood Plans. These are summarised in Appendix 6 and members may wish to comment on how these could be taken forward in arrangements within Cumberland Council from April 2023

5.0 OPTIONS

- 5.1 Members may review and evaluate the recommendations. Members may choose to approve, vary or reject the recommendations. Members may wish to comment on other aspects contained within the report.

6.0 RESOURCE AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1. The Local Committee's budget position is summarised in Appendix 1 to this report. As at the end of January, there are unallocated resources totalling £14,848 in the Communities budgets.
- 6.2. Should the lower amounts in recommendation 3.2 be agreed, £11,843 will be committed from the Area Planning budget, leaving a balance available in the Communities budgets totalling £3,005.
- 6.3. Should recommendation 3.3 be agreed, £2,952 will be committed from the 0-19 Services budget. This will leave an unallocated balance of £53 in the Communities budgets.

7.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are five recommendations within this report.
- 7.2 Recommendations 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 and 3.5 are all for Members to note; there are therefore no direct legal implications.
- 7.3 In respect of recommendation 3.7, it is a proper decision for members under paragraph 5.1.2(c) Part 2D of the Constitution to agree to the revised programme for the Environment Fund.

8.0 CONCLUSION

- 8.1 This report provides Local Committee with an update on its budget position, its grant allocations and other related Area Planning issues.

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11 February 2023

APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Summary Financial Statement

Appendix 2: Area Planning Grant Summary

Appendix 3: 0-19 Grant Summary

Appendix 4: Revised Environment Fund Programme 2022/23

Appendix 5: Carlisle Area Plan 2019-22

Appendix 6: Area Planning Workshop

Electoral Divisions: All

Executive Decision

	No
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Key Decision

	No
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If a Key Decision, is the proposal published in the current Forward Plan?

		N/A
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Is the decision exempt from call-in on grounds of urgency?

	No
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If exempt from call-in, has the agreement of the Chair of the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee been sought or obtained?

		N/A
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Has this matter been considered by Overview and Scrutiny?
If so, give details below.

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Has an environmental or sustainability impact assessment been undertaken?

		N/A
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Has an equality impact assessment been undertaken?

		N/A
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N.B. If an executive decision is made, then a decision cannot be implemented until the expiry of the eighth working day after the date of the meeting – unless the decision is urgent and exempt from call-in and necessary approvals have been obtained.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT COUNCIL OR EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

No previous relevant decisions.

CONSIDERATION BY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

Not considered by Overview and Scrutiny.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers.

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