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Committee Minutes

South West Neighbourhood Partnership

Edinburgh, 7 June 2011

Present:- Councillors Wilson (Convenor), Burns, Lowrie, Louisa Jeffrey (Stenhouse Community Council), Anne Denholm (Wester Hailes Community Council), Andy Davenport (Tollcross Community Council), Alec Mitchell (Hutchinson Community Council), Tom Crombie (Craiglockhart Community Council), Carol Cawood (Voluntary Sector), Fiona McLean (Gorgie Dalry Community Council), Stewart Farquhar (CEC), Stevie Dolan (LB Police), Michael Driscoll (CEC), Christine Doherty (CEC) and Graham Budd (CEC).

1 Welcome and Introduction by the Convenor

Councillor Wilson thanked Gorgie Parish Church once again for providing the South West Neighbourhood Partnership with a venue for the meeting and noted that this was the final meeting in public in the partnership meeting schedule for 2010/2011. Partnership members introduced themselves to the public in attendance.

Councillor Wilson explained the theme for the meeting was the Annual Review of the work of the Partnership over the past year.

2 Order of Business

The Convenor confirmed that no motions or urgent items of business had been received prior to the meeting, so the order of business would progress as detailed on the agenda.

Apologies were noted from Councillor Elliot- Cannon, Councillor Buchan, Inspector Irene Ralston (LBP), Kate Burton (NHS), Louisa Jaffrey (Stenhouse Community Council), Elaine Hamilton (H&SC), Helen McDonough (Longstone Community Council) and Keith Bell (Sighthill, Broomhouse & Parkhead Community Council).

3 Declaration of Interests

A non-financial declaration of interest was made by Andy Davenport with regards the funding application submitted by Re-Union Canal Boats.

A non-financial declaration of interest was made by Tom Crombie with regards the funding application submitted by Craiglockhart Community Council.

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4 Minute

The minute of the South West Neighbourhood Partnership meeting of 1 March 2011 was approved as a correct record.

5 Neighbourhood Partnership Community Grants Fund

Details were given of applications made to the Neighbourhood Partnership Community Grants Fund.

Decision

- (i) To award **Health All Round** £750 (partial award) as a donation towards the purchasing of resources for an Active Measures Program.
- (ii) Not to award **Community One Stop Shop** £929 towards expanding and relaunching the organisations Monday Club. The Panel felt that this was core business and out with the funding criteria.
- (iii) To award **Craiglockhart Community Council** £1,660 towards the purchase, erection and design of a memorial cairn and plaque.
- (iv) Not to award **Smilechildcare** £3,946 to run various summer/ autumn activities for playscheme. The decision was that the amount requested would be better funded by an external source. It was also felt that this was a multiple application covering summer/ autumn potential activities and close to core business of the organisation.
- (v) To award **Destiny Youth** £2,154 (partial award) specifically to cover the cost of the Project Co-ordinator to provide young people with workshops in drama, music, dance, sound engineering, video editing and stage lighting.
- (vi) Not to award **Water of Leith Conservation Trust** £1,158 towards educational resources as outlined above. The panel felt this was core business and should be funded from the organisations existing budget.
- (vii) To award **Murrayburn Primary Parent Council** £585, towards two parent child events.
- (viii) Not to award **Westburn Village Neighbourhood Council** £3,750 towards the environmental awards for young people. The Panel felt that this was not the appropriate funding stream for this project. In addition the project application offered little information and the overall cost benefit was low when considering the numbers of young people taking part.
- (ix) To award **Re-Union Canal Boats – Canalaversary Group** £2,500 (partial award) as a donation towards the costs of entertainment and activities for the 10th anniversary of the re-opening of the stretch of the Union Canal at Wester Hailes.

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- (x) Not to award **Boroughmuir Thistle Girls Football Club** £5,000 towards the cultural exchange visit to Northumberland and Harrogate. The Panel felt this was not the correct funding stream for this request. In addition no further information was received to break costs down further.
- (xi) To award **St Andrew Boat Club** £1,130 (partial award) specifically to purchase two cox boxes. The panel felt that other funding sources were more suitable for the feasibility study costs.
- (xii) To award **Stenhouse, Saughton Mains and Whitson Community Council** £3,500 towards activities and stalls for the community fair to be held in Saughton Park.
- (xiii) To award **SCOREScotland** £2,360 (partial award) donation towards the 'Britain's Got Talent' element of the project.

All recommendations were approved.

Cllr Burns as Chair of the South West Funding Panel took the opportunity to encourage any groups interested in applying to the Community Grants fund to do so sooner rather than later. As, with the approval of these awards, a third of the fund for the year had been allocated with 3 meetings left in the cycle.

6. **Draft Meeting Schedule for SWNP and sub groups**

Christine Doherty, South West Partnership & Information Manager presented this item. The draft schedule was circulated to the group prior to the meeting. It was proposed that the number of Partnership business meetings increase from 4 to 6 a year and the number of public meetings be reduced to 2 a year with these meetings taking on a themed format highlighting specific issues in the South West.

Andy Davenport raised his concerns that the reduction in public meetings could lead to the Partnership being less accessible to members of the public. Christine Doherty replied that a smaller number of meetings with issues based events could be beneficial in being more attractive to members of the public.

Decision

Partnership Members agreed with the proposals presented, to increase the number of business meetings to 6 a year and reduce the number of public meetings to 2 themed events a year.

7 **Public Questions**

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Andy Davenport raised a question as to if Ogilvie Terrace would be getting double yellow lines installed as pedestrian access at this site is at times hampered by parking.

Stewart Farquhar stated that he will take this back and find out the status of this.

8 Presentation

The South West Partnership Annual Review 2010-11

A presentation on the review of the work of the partnership over the past year and look at some the work planned for the next year was given by Graham Budd and Michael Driscoll.

This covered the following areas:

- **Local Community Plan**
- **The SW Community Conference**
- **Community Council Conference**
- **Next Steps**

At the end of the presentation Cllr Wilson thanked the local community for supporting this consultation by they're attendance at the Community Conference and their continued support.

9 Date of Next Meeting

As we are entering the summer recess the schedule for next year is still to be finalised.

Cllr Wilson thanked everyone for attending.

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