

Neighbourhood Partnership Community Grants Fund

Inverleith Neighbourhood Partnership

27th September 2010

Purpose of report

- 1 This report provides details of applications to the Neighbourhood Partnership's Community Grants Fund in 2010/11. The Partnership is asked to consider these proposals under the terms of the scheme. The details of pending applications appears in appendix one.

Main report

- 2 The confirmed Neighbourhood Partnership Community Grants Fund budget for 2010/11 is £28,588, which is £147 less than indicative figure previously reported.
- 3 Applications approved to date total £8,188, which means that £20,400 remains for allocation in 2010/2011.

Applications recommended for approval

- 4 **Life Care** (NP11/2010/07) have applied for £1000 towards creating an activities and entertainment programme for older people in their care who are frail, housebound or who have dementia (total programme will cost £2000 and will be part funded through other sources). The programme would be tailored to suit the very specific needs and abilities of clients at the time and would include reminiscence games and equipment for the use of up to 110 people in Dean and St Bernard's clubs (approx £500), different entertainers for up to 40 people from Dean and St Bernard's Clubs and the wider community (approx £800), a course of art therapy sessions and materials for 10 people (approx £600) and transport for reminiscence outings for up to 16 people per outing (approx £100).

Applications in previous two years: Life Care received £5000 in 2008 towards double glazed windows in their dining room and £1500 towards necessary kitchen equipment in 2009. They also received £1000 in May 2010 for tables and a projector for community use. Evaluation reports for the above highlighted increased quality of life and comfort of its users.

This proposal progresses the Inverleith NP outcomes of 'maintaining and improving the health of the community' and meets the Community Grants

Fund criteria and a partial award of £500 is recommended for reminiscence games and equipment which is sustainable, in light of pressure on limited resources and previous funding allocated.

- 5 **North Edinburgh Childcare** (NP11/2010/08) have applied for £3,600 to run a ten week radio / video programme for children in their Ferryhill out-of-school care project. They estimate that up to 80 children, mostly in Inverleith, will benefit from this project (80 places over 2 holiday periods for approximately 50 individuals). This grant would pay for 10 tutor led workshops including equipment hire (£3300) and 2 camcorders (£300).

Applications in previous two years: North Edinburgh Childcare received £500 in 2009 to part-fund activities for children including outdoor pursuits and outings, coaching and arts. 43 local children benefited from this project.

This proposal progresses the Inverleith NP outcomes of ‘increase children and young people’s participation in sports and leisure activities’, and meets the Community Grants Fund criteria and a partial award of £1800 is recommended for purchase of one camcorder and five workshops in light of pressure on limited resources and previous funds awarded.

- 6 **Stockbridge Primary PTA** (NP11/2010/09) have applied for £5000 to purchase markings (£1000) and eco sports hoops (£3000) in the playground and a large chalk board (£1000) plus installation (£2000). The project totals £7000 and £2000 will be raised from local fund raising to fund the installation costs. These have been selected to be wooden rather than steel to dull the sound for local residents and to be in keeping with the school’s environmental focus. The equipment would be for use by all school pupils and open to the wider community in out of school hours, to plug a gap in local play facilities.

Applications in previous two years: This is the first grant application from Stockbridge Primary PTA. This proposal is fully supported by Stockbridge and Inverleith Community Council.

This proposal progresses the Inverleith NP outcomes of ‘maintaining and improving the health of the community’, and also ‘increase children and young people’s participation in sports and leisure activities’, and meets the Community Grants Fund criteria and a partial award of £3000 is recommended to fund the sports hoops in light of limited resources.

- 7 **Edzell Nursery** (St James Church Hall, Inverleith Row) (NP11/2010/10) have applied for £550 to purchase a laptop package inc software, security, case and mouse for use by up to 26 staff and children at the nursery. At present the Nursery does not have access to a computer and this would help in the administration of the group, plus allow it to communicate more easily with parents. Children and staff could also benefit from this equipment for information gathering.

Applications in previous two years: This is the first application from Edzell Nursery.

This proposal progresses the Inverleith NP outcomes of ‘maintaining and improving the health of the community’, and also ‘increase children and young people’s participation in sports and leisure activities’, and meets the Community Grants Fund criteria. An award of £550 is recommended.

- 8 Friends of Davidson Mains Park** (NP 11/2010/11) have applied for £1150 from Inverleith Neighbourhood Partnership to match a grant of £2039 which has been awarded from Almond Neighbourhood Partnership to carry out an environmental education project with children in Davidson Mains Primary School. This project has been created to tackle littering in the park by involving and engaging children before they go to High School. This grant would be used to pay for an educational leaflet including a nature walk for children and others users of Davidson Mains Park (£889), plus to fund the balance of 10 outdoor environmental sessions (£261) which has been part funded by Almond Neighbourhood Partnership. The leaflet would be circulated to school pupils, local libraries etc. A major part of the Davidson Mains Primary School catchment area is within Inverleith Neighbourhood Partnership and 73 local children currently attend this school. Davidson Mains Park is also used by many other residents of the Inverleith Neighbourhood Partnership area, and local children at Royal High will also benefit from this project.

Applications in previous two years: This is the first application from Davidson Mains Parks Friends Group. The application is supported by Craighleith Blackhall Community Council.

This proposal progresses the Inverleith NP outcomes of ‘maintaining and enhancing our parks and greenspaces’ and ‘increasing cleanliness and satisfaction with cleanliness in the community’, and meets the Community Grants Fund criteria. In light of pressures on this budget, a partial award of £889 is recommended to fund the production of the leaflet.

- 9 Drylaw Rainbow Club** (NP 11/2010/13) have applied for £828 from Inverleith Neighbourhood Partnership to purchase equipment to improve the quality of life of the older people in their care. Equipment includes a wii console, charge station and wii fit plus game (£300), a large screen tv and dvd player with brackets (£528).

Applications in previous two years: This is the first application from Drylaw Rainbow Club.

This proposal progresses the Inverleith NP outcomes of ‘maintaining and improving the health of the community’ and meets the Community Grants Fund criteria. An award of £828 is recommended.

Applications held for further assessment

- 10 Blackhall Nursery** (NP11/2010/12) have requested funds to carry out improvements to the nursery. This grant would be used to purchase new noticeboards and shelving. This application is currently under assessment and awaiting further information.

Financial Implications

- 11 The grants recommended for approval in this report total £7567, which would leave a balance of £12833 for future allocation.
- 12 These amounts are shown in appendix 1 which also provides a current list of applications.

Environmental Impact

- 13 There are no adverse environmental impacts arising from this report.

Recommendations

- 14 Advice is sought from the Partnership regarding the recommendations to:-
- i award a grant of £500 to Life Care
 - ii award a grant of £1800 to North Edinburgh Childcare
 - iii award a grant of £3000 to Stockbridge Primary PTA
 - iv award a grant of £550 to Edzel Nursery
 - v award a grant of £889 to Friends of Davidson's Mains Park
 - vi award a grant of £828 to Drylaw Rainbow Club
 - vii note the balance of £12833



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Appendices : Appendix 1: Inverleith Neighbourhood Partnership - List of applications

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Council Wards Affected: Inverleith

Community Council Areas: Craigleith & Blackhall, Drylaw & Telford, Stockbridge & Inverleith

Background: Project applications in Services for Communities files

Appendix 1

<u>Name of applicant group</u>	<u>Purpose of grant</u>	<u>Amount requested</u>	<u>Assessment stage</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
<u>Life Care</u> (NP11/2010/07)	To create an activities & entertainment programme for older people in their care who are frail, housebound or who have dementia	£1000	Fully complete and assessed	500
<u>North Edinburgh Childcare</u> (NP11/2010/08)	To run a ten week radio / video programme for children in their Ferryhill out-of-school care project.	£3600	Fully complete and assessed	1800
<u>Stockbridge Primary PTA</u> (NP11/2010/09)	To purchase markings and eco sports hoops in the playground and a large chalk board	£5000	Fully complete and assessed	3000
<u>Edzell Nursery</u> (NP11/2010/10)	To purchase a laptop plus software and security for use by up to 26 staff and children at the nursery.	£550	Fully complete and assessed	550
<u>Friends of Davidson Mains Park</u>	To produce an environmental education leaflet and education sessions	£1150	Fully complete and assessed	889
<u>Drylaw Rainbow Club Day Centre</u>	To purchase equipment including wii, tv and dvd player	£828	Fully complete and assessed	828
<u>Blackhall Nursery</u>	To redecorate nursery, install new noticeboards, storage, gate and sink	£5553	Awaiting further information.	0
	Total	£17003		£7567
		OPENING BALANCE 2010/11:		£28,588
		PREVIOUSLY ALLOCATED 2010/11:		£8,188
		AVAILABLE BALANCE:		£20,400
		RECOMMENDED AT 27/09/10		£7,567
		BALANCE REMAINING		£12,833