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REPORT TO: MEMBERS' LIBRARY SERVICE

MEETING DATE: June 2024

BY: Head of Communities

SUBJECT: Update on Funding for Communities 2024/25

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To provide an update on allocation of grant funding from the One Council Partnership Fund.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Members are asked to note the amendments to the awards to First Step and Bridges as set out in this report.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Members Library Report (33/24) Funding for communities 2024/245 set out the funding awards from the One Council Partnership Fund. Included in the awards were grants of £135,00 to First Step (application was for £208,000) and £47,262 to the Bridges Project (application was for (£76,124).
- 3.2 It is intended to transfer funding for First Step to the Early Learning and Childcare service with a view to the service and First Step setting up a Service level Agreement for long-term funding. Following discussions between First Step and the Early Learning and Child Care service it has been agreed to increase the award to First Step by £60,860 to £195,860. The Early Learning and Child Care service will directly support First Step to develop a business model that is sustainable, maximises external finance sources, aligns with the service's expectations and delivers a collective vision for early help and support for East Lothian. This will be done taking a wider lens of the totality of family support offers in Musselburgh.
- 3.3 The Bridges Project had applied for £76,124 to employ two officers on its Way2Work project. Since the award of £47,262 does not cover the full

cost of two officers the Bridges Project asked for the grant to be reduced to £38,000 which will cover the cost of one officer. East Lothian Works has had discussions with the Bridges Project about the possibility of further support being provided through the service.

- 3.4 An amended list of awards is shown in Appendix 1. The total grant awards has increased from £691,853 to £743,451, and with the addition of the Service level Agreements and contract payment to East Lothian Advice Consortium the total payment from the One Council Partnership Fund has increased from £1,322,778 to £1,374,376.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None.

5 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 The subject of the original report which has been amended by this report has been through the Integrated Impact Assessment process and no negative impacts have been identified.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Financial - The changes in funding resulting from this report can be accommodated within the approved Communities 2024/25 service budget.
- 6.2 Personnel – None.
- 6.3 Other – None.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 None.

Appendix 1: Updated One Council Partnership Funding 2024/25 Grants awards

AUTHOR'S NAME	Paolo Vestri
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	Name of Organisation	2024/2025 Amount Requested	2023/2024 Funding	Recommendation	recommendation - with 10% cuts or higher for low priority	Alternative with 20% - 25% cuts	Unrestricted reserves or Carried forward Balance	2024/2025 Approved Amount	Lead Manager
1	Amisfield Preservation Trust	£14,580	£10,000	Reject - funded by VCEL	-	0	£198,597.00		
2	Athelstaneford Community Group	£1,782	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 - low priority	-	0	£400.00		
3	Battle of Prestonpans [1745] Heritage Trust	£84,000	£27,500	Approve - but low priority so 20% + cut	22,000	20,000	Nil. All balances are Restricted or Hypothecated		Emma Brown
4	Borders Scrapstore	£8,500	£3,000	Approve - 10% or 20% cut	2,700	2,400	£24,882.00		
5	Bridge Centre Motorcycle Project	£29,000	£22,000	Approve - Priority 10% cut or 20% cut	22,000	17,600	Amount: £122,015.00* *Entire Haddington Bridge Centre		Diann Govenlock
6	Bridges Project	£76,124	£69,000	Approve but ELW to fund one of the posts	47,262	47,262	£386,501.00		Alison Hood
7	Can Do	£26,406	£26,557	Approve - Priority 10% cut or 20% cut	23,756	21,125	£73,383.00		Doug Haig
8	CAPS Independent Advocacy	£60,000	N/A	Reject - Not funded in 23/24 (H&SCP responsibility)	-	0	£22,380 unrestricted funds (not reserves)		
9	Care & Repair East Lothian	£10,800	N/A	Reject - Not funded in 23/23 (H&SCP or Housing responsibility)	-	0	No reserves		
10	Carefree Kids East Lothian	£17,000	£17,000	Approve - but low priority so 20% + cut - look to alternative sources of funding and link in with Children's Services - possibly PEF	13,600	12,750	Nil. Balance in accounts are restricted and are funds that have been secured for a specific purpose.		Simon Davie
11	Changes East Lothian	£18,929	Declined	Reject - (not funded in 23/24 (H&SCP more appropriate. VCEL funding a different project)	-	0	£126,546		
12	Coastal Communities Museum Trust	£7,500	£7,500	Approve - but low priority so 20% + cut	5,625	5,625	£14,597.00		Kate Maynard
13	Cockenzie Out of School Care	£10,319	N/A	Reject - new application for shed - could apply for CIF funding/Education trust/ Community benefits	-	0	£17,0981 (ELOSCN) £3,689.45 (COSC)		
14	Destiny Project	£73,000	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 (needs to engage with Children's / LAC services)	-	0	£2,760.18		
15	Dunbar Area Christian Youth Project	£5,000	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 (could apply for PEF)	-	0	£56,482 at 31/8/23		
16	Dunbar Harbour Trust	£20,000	£20,000	Approve - historical agreement (stop funding bridge maintenance - £2,500)	17,500	17,500	£493,228.00		
17	East Lothian Foodbank	£94,500	£15,000	Approve High Priority - part increase or hold at last year level	22,500	15,000	£196,808 as at 01/04/23		Caitlin McCorry
18	East Lothian Friendly Food Network	£30,971	£39,971	Approve - High priority - maintain funding if possible or 10% cut (discussions in 24/25 re long-term sustainable funding)	30,971	27,874	£118,000 (this equates to 3 months running costs)		
19	East Lothian Indoor Bowling Club	£9,000	£5,000	Approve - but low priority so 20%	4,000	3,500	£82,730.00		Mark Urwin
20	East Lothian Play Association	£24,857	£8,700	Approve - 10%	7,830	6,960	£6,134.00		
21	East Lothian Roots & Fruits	£35,000	£35,000	Approve - 10%	31,500	28,000	£4,215.16		
22	East Lothian Swim Team	£12,000	£12,000	Approve - 10%	10,800	9,600	£43,482.00		
23	East Lothian U3A	£1,500	£1,000	Approve - but low priority so 20%	800	750	£10,116.00		
24	East Lothian Walking Festival	£3,000	N/A	Reject - New application, alternative sources of funding possible	-	0	£1,522.8 allocated to Festival		

25	Edinburgh Children's Hospital Charity (EHC)	£125,007	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 (needs to liaise with H&SCP)	-	0	unrestricted reserves as at 31st Dec 2022 (£1.05m). Expected unrestricted reserves as at the end of 31st Dec 2023 (£565k)	
26	Edinburgh Rape Crisis Centre	£38,743	£20,000	Approve - 10% cut (Should this be a H&SCP responsibility?)	18,000	16,000	£195,339 as per annual accounts for 2021-22	Iain Gorman
27	Family Journeys	£11,500	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 (more appropriate for Children's Services)	-	0	£175,812 to reflect: one yrs rent, redundancy costs & 2 month running costs	
28	Fashion School	£53,428	£12,000 (Internal transfer for rent)	Internal transfer for rent - but needs future strategy/ business plan agreed with ELW and Ec Dev	12,000	12,000	£0.00	Caitlin McCorry
29	First Step Community Project	£208,000	£208,000	Funding transferred to Education & Children Services as new SLA	135,000	135,000	£134,181.00	Alison Cameron
30	Fraser Centre Community Trust	£15,000	£5,000	Approve - but low priority so 20%	4,000	4,000	£52,120.00	Simon Davie
31	Friday Friends	£9,500	£9,500	Approve - but low priority so 20% (H&SCP/ MELDAP)	7,600	7,125	as at 31st October 2023 £6895.42	Stuart Baxter
32	Groundswell Community Project Scotland CIC	£5,000	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 - funded by VCEL	-	0	-£1,823.00	
33	Haddington Bridge Centre	£15,500	£15,000	Approve - but low priority so 20% + cut	12,000	11,250	£122,013.00	Diann Govenlock
34	Haddington Garden Trust	£12,000	£4,000	Approve - but low priority so 20% + cut	3,200	3,000	£30,000.00	
35	Haddstock	£12,600	Withdraw	Reject - not funded in 23/24 - other sources of funding possible	-	0	£1,000.00	
36	Hallhill Sports Centre	£76,760.00 +Vat	£77,560 + VAT £15,512	Approve but spend and income show 'deficit' of £67k but applied for £76,760 +VAT - Ed Hendricksen to check and possible future SLA?	67,000	60,000	£106,000.00	
37	HerbSpace	£15,154	£5,000	Approve - but low priority so 20% + cut	4,000	3,750	<£4805.00> This includes a long standing interest free loan from Directors of £8149 which will not be reclaimed	Doug Haig
38	Insulate Innerwick project (Sustaining Dunbar)	£3,750	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 (could be funded from Community Benefits/ Area Partnership)	-	0	£9,657.00	
39	Into Work	£48,437	£32,324	Approve - ELW values this work very highly but cannot fund it - high priority / 10% cut	32,324	29	£781,894.00	Alison Hood
40	Lammermuir Larder Group	£10,300	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 (support larders and pantries through the Fareshare Hub/ ELFFN and has £90k from Community Lottery)	-	0	£5,617.00	
41	Lamp of Lothian Trust	£24,000	£20,000	Approve - but low priority so 20% + cut	16,000	14,000	Unrestricted Designated £1,872,914 Unrestricted General £219,201	Diann Govenlock
42	Lothian Centre for Inclusive Living (LCIL)	£18,980	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 (should liaise with H&SCP)	-	0	£400,000.00	

43	Lothian Mineworkers Convalescent Home	£15,000	Did not apply last year but received grant in the previous yrs	Reject - not funded in 23 /24 (not a H&SCP priority)	-	0	£71,017.00		
44	Lower Impact Living (Lil)	£5,000	£5,000	Approve - but low priority so 20% + cut	4,000	3,750	£580 (2022 accounts)		Stuart Baxter
45	MYPAS	£13,508	£10,000	Approve - 10% cut (Should this be a H&SCP responsibility?)	9,000	8,000	Total: £277,375 Free: £75,744		Diann Govenlock
46	Natural Connections	£12,000	£6,000	Reject - funded by VCEL	-	0	£241.50		Doug Haig
47	New Beginnings Club East Lothian	£9,360	£7,500	Approve - 20% cut (also receiving VCEL funding)	6,000	0	£0.00 (A/c show balance £19294.97)		
49	Our Community Kitchen	£11,000	£8,000	Approve - 10%	7,200	6,400	£23,095.00		Diann Govenlock
50	Patchwork EH32	£2,750	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 (more appropriate for Children's Services?)	-	0	£5,400.00		
51	Pennypit Management Committee	£17,987	N/A	New application - if funds allow - £2,500 for youth forum; other parts funded through youth work budget	2,500	0	£22,940.88		
52	Pennypit Special Needs Youth Club	£13,400	£9,500	Approve - high priority - fund at last year's level or 10% cut	9,500	8,550	£7,593 as of 31 March 23.		Emma Brown
53	People Know How	£7,052	£10,000	Reject - new application from last year - laptops could be got from Musselburgh CAB and project is school pupil based so could apply for PEF	-	0	reserves 2022- 2023: £229,830		Caitlin McCorry
54	Preston Athletic FC	£8,500	£10,500	Approve - low priority (potential for more own fundraising. Rent goes to Pennypit so need to align with Pennypit Trust SLA and with Active Unit. Part fund this year to transition	7,500	5000	N/A		Mark Urwin
55	Ridge (The) SCIO	£30,000	£30,000	Approve - 20% + cut (able to raise funds from other sources)	25,000	22,500	£58,460.00		Stevie McKinlay
56	Sporting Memories Foundation Scotland	£9,987	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 (VCEL will part fund)	-	0	£32,157.00		
57	thespace Scotland	£18,350	N/A	New application - medium priority - good connections with CLD developing senior youth work provision in Dunbar - partial funding to support the start up of this provision and potential for raising alternative funding	4,000	2,500	All of funds are restricted & entirely for agreed purposes		
58	Thrive East Lothian CIC	£129,587	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 (more appropriate for Children's Services?)	-	0	No Accounts/ Bank balance £867.73 as at 2/11/23		
59	Venturing Out	£34,720	£20,000	Approve - 10%	18,000	16,000	£21,102 (as the trading element of Venturing Out CIC is seasonal, this varies throughout the year with a peak in the summer months, to a low in the winter months)		

60	West Barns Playgroup	£630	N/A	Reject - not funded in 23/24 (play groups not funded through OCPF)	-	0	£1,030.60		
61	Whitecraig Village Hub	£3,000	£2,000	Approve - 20% cut	1,600	1,600	£9,879.94		
62	Winterfield Golf Club	£17,500	£17,500	Approve - but low priority so 20% + cut	14,000	12,250	£125,360.29		Ed Hendrikson
	TOTAL				682,268	588,650			
	SLAs								
	xEast Lothian Advice Consortium	£333,925	£333,925	Contractual arrangement	333,925	333,925		£333,925.00	Paolo Vestrie
	xFisherrow Trust	£35,000	£35,000	CUT - payment shown as £39,967.43	-	0			Caitlin McCorry
	RECHARGE	£28,000	£54,160	Minus Youth Worker - £28,000	28,000	28,000			
	Pennypit Community Development Trust (Late Submission)	£99,000	£99,000		99,000	99,000	£43,271.00		
	Dad's Work	£50,000	£50,000		50,000	50000			
	Heavy Sounds	£40,000	£40,000		40,000	40000			
	VCEL	£50,000	£50,000		50,000	50000			
	North Berwick Youth Project	£30,000	£57,200	Minus Youth Worker - £27,200	30,000	30000			
	TOTAL SLAs				630,925	£630,925			
	TOTAL - Grants and SLAs	£2,325,922.31			1,313,193	1,219,575			