

OFFICER DECISION RECORD 1 FORM

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Decision Reference No: AHWB.033.2019 Community Investment Programme

BOX 1**DIRECTORATE:****DATE:31.05.2019****Adults, Health and Wellbeing****Contact Name:****Tel. No.: 01302737817****Fay Wood, Strategic Lead Community
Led Support****Subject Matter: Community Investment Programme (CIP).**

There are two funding streams available within the Community Investment Programme which are:

- A Capital Fund of £200k.**
- Community based activity Fund of £200k.**

This Officer Decision Record has a focus on the Community based activity Fund spend of £200k.

BOX 2**DECISION TAKEN**

To agree the funding allocation of £131,069.

The breakdown of spend to successful providers is as follows:-

Revenue:-

- 1). Open Minds Counselling - £6,698** - to fund a programme of behaviour change and stress management, to tackle loneliness and social isolation and take an early intervention prevention approach.
- 2). Artistic Spectrum - £15,600** - Creative activities for young people transitioning from childhood to adult services, in order to tackle loneliness and social isolation and promote social connectedness.

- 3). **Austerfield Study Centre £19,992** -To run a weekly programme of food and outdoor activities, in order to address loneliness and social isolation and promote well-being.
- 4). **Edlington Community Organisation - £11,000** to engage more people who may experience loneliness and social isolation.
- 5). **Balby Community Arts (BCA) – £19,820** To carry out a programme of creative workshops that connect people into their community.
- 6). **Higher Rhythm Ltd/Sine FM Community Radio Station £13,888** – The creation of 85 new bite-size/flexible volunteering opportunities. To address loneliness and social isolation.
- 7). **Doncaster Alcohol Service – £13,031** -Sober Social – After Dark - An extension of Sober Social which will tackle loneliness and social isolation.
- 8). **Aspiring2 CIC – £10,440** - Healthy Futures- Pop Up interactive roadshow – primarily address loneliness and social isolation and promote local community based support activities.
- 9). **Green Heart Man - £11,100** – From The Ground Up – will deliver 10 fortnightly workshops over 20 weeks to 18-20 men to learn to share and grow. This project will primarily tackle loneliness and social isolation.
- 10). **Holmesarr Ark and Crafts Ltd - £9,500** – Community Connector project to primarily address loneliness and social isolation.

BOX 3

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The primary purpose of the Community Investment Programme is to support local Voluntary, Community and Faith Sector and Social Enterprises to enhance and or develop a range of flexible creative service activities in Doncaster.

The Council, through the Community Investment Programme, have an opportunity to reinforce its community leadership role in the investment of grant funding, to develop further the capacity and skills of the sector, and strengthen frontline community groups/organisations to deliver value for money services/activities, and provide a platform for the delivery of projects that strengthen and support communities.

BOX 4

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

OPTION 1. Do nothing.

This option was rejected as the Voluntary, Community, Faith Sector and Social Enterprise have a key role to play in relation to the Early Intervention Prevention agenda. Therefore it is in everyone's best interest to provide resources to the sector in order to acknowledge their vital contribution, and support their long term sustainability.

OPTION 2. Launch the Community Investment Programme.

The CIP is about commissioning community-based and preventative services in the Borough. The focus is on three key themes:-

- Tackling loneliness and social isolation
- Maintaining Independence
- Early Intervention and Prevention

We know that many organisations/groups do not have the scale and capacity to compete or to deliver large scale public sector contracts, but, we know that a grant can make significant contributions to improving wellbeing outcomes.

We also know that locally based grassroots community groups/organisations have close trusted relationships with people who access their services and have local knowledge and intelligence of where there are gaps in support provision, and can define the needs and local solutions.

Therefore, we are seeking the continued strengthening of communities, so they themselves can meet the needs of vulnerable residents by improving their health and well-being.

BOX 5

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 gives the local authority the power to do anything that individuals may generally do.

S111 Local Government Act 1972 states that a local authority shall have power to do anything (whether or not involving the expenditure, borrowing or lending of money or the acquisition or disposal of any property or rights) which is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to, the discharge of any of their functions.

Section 2B of the National Health Service Act 2006 (as amended by Section 12 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012) introduced a duty on Councils in England to exercise certain health service functions and take appropriate steps to improve the health of the people who live in their area.

Under the Care Act 2014 the Council must provide or arrange services that help prevent people developing needs for care and support or delay people deteriorating such that they would need ongoing care and support.

The provision of grant funding will need to comply with the requirements of the Council's Financial Procedure Rules E15 to E17 and will need to be subject to a funding agreement setting out the obligations of each Recipient and any restrictions on the use of the money.

Name: Paula Coleman Signature: By e-mail Date: 3rd June 2019

Signature of Assistant Director of Legal and Democratic Services (or representative)

BOX 6

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The £200,000 revenue allocation has already been approved in 19/20 budget setting and is part of the community investment programme. This ODR decision is to give grants of circa £131,000 to community groups to provide community based activities as detailed in the body of the report.

This scheme will be funded from the Better Care Fund and has already been budgeted for in the BCF budget for 2019/20.

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Name: Cheryl Slade Signature: C Slade/FM-AHWB Date: 07/06/2019

**Signature of Assistant Director of Finance & Performance
(or representative)**

Signature of Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Director of Finance (or representative)

BOX 7

OTHER RELEVANT IMPLICATIONS

N/A

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Assistant Director (or representative)

ANY IMPLICATIONS SENT TO DEPARTMENTS SHOULD GENERALLY BE SUBMITTED AT LEAST 5 WORKING DAYS IN ADVANCE TO ENSURE THESE CAN BE GIVEN THE RELEVANT CONSIDERATION.

BOX 8**EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS:** (To be completed by the author).

The application process is clear and transparent and does in anyway impact negatively on any of the 9 protected characteristics.

BOX 9**RISK IMPLICATIONS:** (To be completed by the author)

The risk implication is that we are over-subscribed. To mitigate this risk there is a clear transparent scoring criteria in place.

BOX 10**CONSULTATION**

The Expression of Interest Form was Co-produced by members of the Social Isolation and Loneliness Alliance.

The Adults, Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder provided the forward for the CIP and Portfolio Holders informed the content of the CIP document and discussed the Expression of Interest Applications.

BOX 11**INFORMATION NOT FOR PUBLICATION**

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, it is in the Public's interests for this decision to be published in full, redacting only the signatures.

Name: Gillian Parker **Signature** by email **Date:** 10/06/2019

Signature of FOI Lead Officer for service area where ODR originates

BOX 12**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Please confirm if any Background Papers are included with this ODR /NO

(If YES please list and submit these with this form)

N/A

**BOX 13
AUTHORISATION**

Name: _Debbie John-Lewis_ Signature  Date: _14/06/2019_

Assistant Director of Communities _____

Does this decision require authorisation by the Chief Financial Officer or other Officer

/NO

If yes please authorise below:

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Director/Assistant Director of _____

Consultation with Relevant Member(s)

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Designation _____

Declaration of Interest YES/NO

If YES please give details below:

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