
Report To:	Regeneration Committee	Date:	1 September 2011
Report By:	Corporate Director: Education & Communities	Report No:	R208/11/AH/MP
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Subject:	Use of Powers Delegated to the Chief Executive - Submission for 'Our Place' Big Lottery Funding		

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise of the use of the powers delegated to the Chief Executive to approve the submission of an application for 'Our Place' Big Lottery Funding to provide youth work in the Greenock East and Central area of Inverclyde.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 Approximately £1,000,000 of Our Place Big Lottery funding has been earmarked for the Greenock East and Central area of Inverclyde. The majority of the component applications are being led by community and voluntary organisations, however for a variety of reasons, the Community Learning Development (CLD) Service has become the lead applicant on behalf of the CLD Youth Work Sub-group for the youth work element which has a total value of £290,000.
- 2.2 Authority to take the action recommended was granted by Councillors Loughran (for Ahlfeld), McCabe, MacLeod and the Corporate Director Regeneration and Environment (in the absence of the Chief Executive).

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 That the Committee note the use of the powers delegated to the Chief Executive to:
- (a) agree to the submission of the 'Our Place' Big Lottery funding bid; and
 - (b) delegate authority to the Corporate Director: Education & Communities to accept the bid on behalf of the CLD Youth Work Sub-Group if it is successful.

Albert Henderson
Corporate Director: Education & Communities

4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 In collaboration with the Big Lottery the Greenock East and Central area was identified as a potential recipient of 'Our Place' funding. Liaison with the Big Lottery and support for the process was provided by the SOA Delivery Group for Social Regeneration and progress reported to this group on a regular basis. In February of this year, the component applications were approved to go to second stage submission.
- 4.2 The Big Lottery appointed Community Enterprise in Scotland (CEiS) to support and direct the submissions. This had taken the submission of proposals outwith the normal Inverclyde Council processes and procedures. However, it was established that since Inverclyde Council is the lead applicant, Committee approval was needed prior to submission of the application which was required to be with CEiS by close of business on Friday 15th July 2011.
- 4.3 All of the partners within the Youth Work Sub-group will contribute to the delivery of the project. The only partner who will receive Big Lottery funding is Youth Connections, who will be required to sign a Service Level Agreement.

5.0 PROPOSAL

- 5.1 The proposal has 3 key components:
- The provision of diversionary youth work activity in the evening and at weekends
 - Supporting young people to become volunteers
 - Youth work training for community members.

If approved the project will commence in February 2012.

6.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Financial Implications – One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Year	Proposed Spend this Report	Virement From	Other Comments
N/A					

Financial Implications – Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings) – none in addition to those previously advised.

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact	Virement From (if Applicable)	Other Comments
N/A		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

No additional costs will be incurred to the Council, however, £60,000 of the CLD Core budget (00517) is being contributed in kind over the 3 year period.

- 6.2 Human Resources and Legal Services:

The proposal includes the appointment of 1.5 CLD Youth Worker for two years, this reduces to 0.5 in year 3. The proposal will also fund 1,350 part-time youth work hours over the 3 year period.

The Heads of Legal & Democratic Services and Organisational Development, HR and Performance have been consulted on this report.

6.3 Equalities: All related equality issues will be appropriately considered in relation to the proposals identified above.

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 In addition to partners in the CLD Youth Work Sub-group, young people and community members have been consulted in the development of this project.

8.0 USE OF EMERGENCY POWERS

8.1 The use of emergency powers was sought as a decision was needed prior to submission of the application which was required to be with CEiS by close of business on Friday 15th July 2011.