PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

Strategic Policy and Resources Committee Executive Sub-Committee

20 March 2019

COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND

Report by Depute Chief Executive (Chief Operating Officer) (Report No. 19/90)

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report sets out the recommendations made by individual Ward Panels for the investment of the 2018/19 Community Investment Fund and asks the Sub-committee to approve the release of funds.

1. BACKGROUND / MAIN ISSUES

- 1.1 The Community Investment Fund (CIF) was established in February 2018 to provide £1.2m of funding for community-led projects across Perth and Kinross, over financial years 2018/19 and 2019/20. CIF is a further demonstration of the Council's commitment to investing in communities and giving local people a greater say on how public money is spent in their communities.
- 1.2 Report 18/196, approved by Committee in June 2018, set out the process for deciding on how the funds would be distributed and how decisions would be reached. The process can be summarised as:
 - £1.2m was made available over two years (£600,000 in each financial year) and this was subdivided into the 12 Council wards, meaning £50,000 being available in each Ward;
 - An application form and guidance material was produced to help applicants, with this information being placed online at www.pkc.gov.uk/cif and being shared widely through contact networks;
 - Applications were encouraged from a broad range of groups, with a preference for new projects and initiatives which deliver against the priorities of Local Action Partnerships, as set out in Local Action Plans; and
 - A Ward Panel was established in each ward to consider the applications and make recommendations for Committee approval.
 Ward Panels established through Local Action Partnerships were chaired by a Perth and Kinross Councillor and have included representatives from a range of community groups in each ward.

1.3 The closing date for applications was 15 February 2019 and a total of 149 applications were received, totalling £1.59m. Ward Panels met during the period between the closing date and early March to consider the applications that had been made for their Ward. A scoring matrix and other support was provided to help Ward Panels come to a fair and transparent decision. The recommendations from each Ward Panel are provided in 2.1 below for consideration and approval by Committee.

2. PROPOSALS

2.1 Ward Panels have made the following recommendations for funding in 2018/19:

Ward 1 – Carse of Gowrie		
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
St Madoes & Kinfauns Parish Church	Criss-Cross 2019	£14,081
Glencarse Bowling Club	Irrigation System	£4,000
St Madoes PS Parent Council	Daily Mile Path	£5,362.50
Tay & Earn Trust	Your Tay – Your Adventure	£15,800
	TOTAL FUNDING	£39,243.50

Ward 2 – Strathmore		
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Alyth in Bloom	Alyth Burnside Improvements Project	£10,994.85
Kettins Parish Hall	Kettins Parish Hall Redevelopment	£15,000
Scone Thistle Community Club	Glebe Facilities	£10,994.85
Burrelton Community Café	Community Hub	£4,938.60
Coupar Angus & Bendochy Community Council	Restart	£4,131.70
Coupar Angus Parent Council	IT Skills in the Community	£3,940
	TOTAL FUNDING	£50,000

Ward 3 – Blairgowrie an	nd Glens	
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Blairgowrie Players	Essential Equipment for Kirk Hill	£1,730
Hamish Matters	Ceilidh Making and Marketing	£3,350
Blairgowrie & Rattray Arts for Wellbeing	Its BRAW	£4,200
Kirkmichael Social & Recreational Hall	Hall Upgrade	£15,000
Lifeplus	Lifeplus Centre Toilet and Access Upgrade	£1,730
Blairgowrie & Rattray Development Trust	Made in Blair	£4,520
Elder Voice	Neighbourhood Link Projects	£5,534
PKAVS Carers Hub	Opportunities for Eastern Perthshire Carers	£3,406
Strathmore Centre for Youth Development	Wellmeadow House	£3,000
Strathmore Arts Festival	Mapping the Community	£5,030
PKAVS Mental Health & Wellbeing Hub – Wisecraft	Journey to Recovery	£2,500
	TOTAL FUNDING	£50,000

Ward 4 – Highland		
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Breadalbane Men's Shed	New Men's Shed at Dalween	£3,977
Dementia Friendly Aberfeldy Cooperative	Enabling a Dementia Friendly Aberfeldy	£6,000
The Den @ Heartland Kid	d's Club	£6,693
Aberfeldy Community Putting Green	Supporting Health & Wellbeing in the Community	£3,000
Highland Perthshire Crossing Borders	Crossing Borders "Schools Out" Community Project	£3,120
The Birks Cinema Trust	Arts & Crafts Tasters	£1,500
Pitlochry & Blair Atholl Pipe Band	Musical Equipment & Uniforms	£2,000
Tay Valley Timebank		£3,500
Blair Atholl & Struan Initiative	Sports Court Redevelopment	£3,000

Ward 4 – Highland continued		
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Blair Atholl & Struan	Blair Atholl Village Hall	£5,000
Community Council	upgrades	
The Care & Wellbeing	Community Support for Older	£4,210
Cooperative	Citizens	
PAMIS – Aberfeldy	Community Connections	£5,000
Feis Thatha		£3,000
	TOTAL FUNDING	£50,000

Ward 5 – Strathtay		
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Stanley & District Men's	Computer Project	£6,000
Shed		
Auchtergaven PS	Learner's Mental Health	£6,589.20
Parent Council		
Meikleour Village Hall	Installation of Disabled Ramp	£3,590
Dunkeld & Birnam	Meeting Room & Digital	£5,029.71
Community Council	Connectivity	
Stanley Public Hall	Fire Risk Improvements	£4,500
West Stormont	Feeling Good in the Woods	£3,432.50
Woodland Group		
A9 Community Group	Strengthening Community Engagement	£3,444
Caputh Village Hall	Electrical Rewiring	£7,000
Luncarty & Redgorton	Planter and Seating	£6,690
in Bloom		
Spittalfield & District	Creating Community	£3,720
Community Sports Hub		
	TOTAL FUNDING	£49,995.41

Ward 6 - Strathearn		
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Comrie PS and Friends Association	Comrie CANDO – Sports Inclusion Project	£1,600
Braidhaugh Pavilion Trust	Facilities Development – Disabled Access	£3,100
Remake Scotland	Remake Container Volunteer Support Project	£3,780
Friends of Old St Michael's Church Hall	Scaffolding and Fence	£2,500

Ward 6 - Strathearn cor	ntinued	
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Active Schools – Perth & Kinross	Volunteer Minibus Driver	£2,688
Aberfeldy Parish Church	Christians Against Poverty	£1,450
Comrie & District Men's Shed	Metal Workshop	£4,731.19
Comrie Fortnight Association	Community Activities – 50 th Anniversary	£4,724
Girlguiding – Crieff & Comrie District	District Camp	£1,750
Crieff Juniors FC	Soccer School	£4,372
Kids Week in Crieff		£4,811.84
Royal Voluntary Service	Crieff Health & Happy Lives	£3,800
St Fillan's Community Council	St Fillan's Play Park	£5,657
Strathearn Art Space	Barriers to Engagement	£5,012.68
	TOTAL FUNDING	£49,976.71

Ward 7 – Strathallan		
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Auchterarder	Auchterarder Town Bus	£10,000
Community Bus Group	Service	
Dunning Community	Outdoor Gym Equipment	£2,600
Council		
Aberuthven Village Hall	Continuation of Village Youth	£5,110
Trust	Club	
Ardoch Development	Braco Multi-Use Games Area	£15,000
Trust		
Dunning Tennis Club	Dunning Support for Learning	£290
Auchterarder	Pavilion Refurbishment	£15,000
Community Sport &		
Recreation		
Muthill in Bloom	Muthill in Bloom	£1,000
Opportunities for	Opportunities for Strathallan	£1,000
Strathallan Carers	Carers	
	TOTAL FUNDING	£50,000

Ward 8 – Kinross-shire		
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Arngask Hall	Glenfarg Community Centre	£5,000
SPARKS	SPARKS	£3,265
Blairadam Amenity Association	Tabernacle Hall Improvements	£13,000
Kinross-shire Community Sports Hub	Skate Park Extension & Upgrade	£5,000
Kinross & District Men's Shed	Electric Bikes	£4,340
Kinross-shire Partnership	Visit Loch Leven	£3,000
KLEO	Events & Equipment	£3,097.99
SHIP	Kinross ASN Youth Service	£8,000
TRACKS	Access Improvements to Loch Leven Heritage Trail	£5,000
	TOTAL FUNDING	£49,702.99

Ward 9 – Almond and Earn		
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Williamson Hall	Shower and Toilet Upgrade	£3,000
Committee		
Methven Community	Methven Families Engagement	£2,800
Council	Project	
Fowlis Wester Village	Boiler Replacement	£3,250
Hall Committee		
Bridge of Earn Institute	Bridge of Earn Gala Day	£1,250
Gala Day Committee		
Findo Gask Community	Hall Refurbishment and	£2,900
Association	Upgrade	
Methven Community	Centre Refurbishment Phase 3	£7,000
Centre		
Brig in Bloom	Be Organic – Save the Planet	£3,094
66 th Perthshire	Pavilion Renovations	£8,150
(Abernethy) Scouts		
Fowlis Wester Village	Jeely Well Project	£1,000
Hall Committee		
Bridge of Earn Institute	Kitchen Refurbishment	£13,300
Alexander DO Daniel	Cabaal Hall Contains and	00.050
Abernethy PS Parent	School Hall Curtains and	£3,256
Council	Nursery Blinds	04.000
Earn Community	Place Standard Conversation	£1,000
Council		
	TOTAL FUNDING	£50,000

Ward 10 – Perth City South		
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Craigie and Moncrieffe	The Revive Youth Project	£5,000
Parish Church		
Community Garden	South Perth Community	£8,100
Development Project	Garden	
South Perth Community	Community Get Together	£3,805
Partnership		
Letham4All	Letham Community Hub	£12,890
New Horizons		£5,300
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SHIP	Inclusive Sports Activities	£8,905
Perthshire Brass	New Instruments	£6,000
	TOTAL FUNDING	£50,000

Ward 11 – Perth City North			
Group	Project	Funding Recommended	
Letham Climate	Swap Shop / Building	£10,000	
Challenge	Improvements		
Letham4All	Letham Community Hub	£25,000	
Perth North Church	Tulloch NET	£5,393	
	TOTAL FUNDING	£40,393	

Ward 12 – Perth City Centre		
Group	Project	Funding Recommended
Perthshire Pride	Perthshire Pride 2019	£4,103
Kinnoull Parish Church	Phoenix Parish Church	£10,330
PLUS Perth	Mental Health & Wellbeing Lunch / Activity Club	£3,890
Rowan Alba Ltd	Roaming with Rowan Alba	£3,412
Horsecross Arts	Visiting our Venue	£3,980
Perth & District YMCA	Y Media	£9,785
Checkin Works	Giraffe Activity Centre	£4,500
Maisie Moo Magical Moments	Help Maisie Play	£10,000
	TOTAL FUNDING	£50,000

2.2 The total amount of funding available across the 12 wards for 2018/19 was £600,000. The total spend across Perth and Kinross is £579,311.61 as summarised in the table below. It is recommended that the Committee agree that for those wards where the full £50,000 was not spent, that money is carried over into the second round of funding for that ward.

Ward	Total Allocation	Total Spend	Underspend (to carry over)
1 – Carse of Gowrie	£50,000	£39,243.50	£10,756.50
2 – Strathmore	£50,000	£50,000	-
3 – Blairgowrie and Glens	£50,000	£50,000	-
4 – Highland	£50,000	£50,000	-
5 – Strathtay	£50,000	£49,995.41	£4.59
6 – Strathearn	£50,000	£49,976.71	£23.29
7 – Strathallan	£50,000	£50,000	-
8 – Kinross-shire	£50,000	£49,702.99	£297.01
9 – Almond and Earn	£50,000	£50,000	-
10 – Perth City South	£50,000	£50,000	-
11 – Perth City North	£50,000	£40,393	£9,607
12 - Perth City Centre	£50,000	£50,000	-
Totals	£600,000	£579,311.61	£20,688.39

- 2.3 Following committee approval, all applicants will be notified of the outcome of the decisions by Friday 29 March and all monies transferred into accounts by the end of the following week (Friday 5 April).
- 2.4 A separate report, with lessons learned from the first round of funding and recommendations for the second round will be presented to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee on 17 April 2019.

3. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 The Community Investment Fund (CIF) seeks to invest in new projects and initiatives in Perth and Kinross, which seek to deliver against identified equality issues, as outlined in Local Action Plans.
- 3.2 Ward Panels have made recommendations for spending the initial £600,000 allocation across the 12 wards in Perth and Kinross, with a total projected spend of £579,311.61.
- 3.3 It is recommended that the Committee
 - i. **Approves** the recommended funding awards for 2018/19
 - ii. **Approves** the carryover of funds in those wards where the full £50,000 was not spent

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1. IMPLICATIONS, ASSESSMENTS, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Strategic Implications	Yes / None
Community Plan / Local Outcomes Improvement Plan	Yes
Corporate Plan	Yes
Resource Implications	
Financial	Yes
Workforce	None
Asset Management (land, property, IST)	None
Assessments	
Equality Impact Assessment	Yes
Strategic Environmental Assessment	Yes
Sustainability (community, economic, environmental)	Yes
Legal and Governance	None
Risk	None
Consultation	
Internal	Yes
External	None
Communication	
Communications Plan	None

1. Strategic Implications

Community Plan/Single Outcome Agreement

- 1.1 Supporting and investing in community-led solutions to locally identified issues contributes to the delivery of the Perth and Kinross Community Plan / LOIP in terms of the following priorities:
 - (i) Giving every child the best start in life
 - (ii) Developing educated, responsible and informed citizens
 - (iii) Promoting a prosperous, inclusive and sustainable economy
 - (iv) Supporting people to lead independent, healthy and active lives
 - (v) Creating a safe and sustainable place for future generations

Corporate Plan

- 1.2 Supporting and investing in community-led solutions to locally identified issues contributes to the delivery of the Perth and Kinross Council Corporate Plan in terms of the following priorities:
 - (i) Giving every child the best start in life;
 - (ii) Developing educated, responsible and informed citizens;
 - (iii) Promoting a prosperous, inclusive and sustainable economy;
 - (iv) Supporting people to lead independent, healthy and active lives; and

(v) Creating a safe and sustainable place for future generations.

2. Resource Implications

Financial

2.1 Agreeing the allocation of £600,000 Community Investment Fund for 2018/19.

3. Assessments

Equality Impact Assessment

- 3.1 Under the Equality Act 2010, the Council is required to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations between equality groups. Carrying out Equality Impact Assessments for plans and policies allows the Council to demonstrate that it is meeting these duties.
- 3.2 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment Process (EqIA) and has been assessed as **not relevant** for the purposes of EqIA.

Strategic Environmental Assessment

- 3.3 The Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 places a duty on the Council to identify and assess the environmental consequences of its proposals.
- 3.4 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Act. However, no action is required as the Act does not apply to the matters presented in this report.

Sustainability

- 3.5 Under the provisions of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003 the Council has to discharge its duties in a way which contributes to the achievement of sustainable development. Under the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 the Council has a general duty to demonstrate its commitment to sustainability and the community, environmental and economic impacts of its actions.
- 3.6 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Act. However, no action is required as the Act does not apply to the matters presented in this report.

4. Consultation

<u>Internal</u>

4.1 There has been consultation with Finance Department, Community Planning Team, Community Learning and Development Service and the Executive Officer Team.

2. BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to a material extent in preparing the above report.