

## **APPENDIX 2**

### **GATESHEAD FUND ADVISORY GROUP**

**Date: 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

#### **Advice to Cabinet**

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##### **1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr. J. Eagle, Cllr. L. Green, Cllr. H. Haran, Cllr. M. Hood, Cllr. I. Patterson

##### **2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

##### **3 FUND MANAGER'S REPORT**

The Advisory Group were informed of the background to the Fund, its administration by the Community Foundation and the approach taken to Round 1 of the Gateshead Fund in 2017/18.

There was some discussion of the application process and support available to applicants when completing the application form or with documentation, such as business plans. It was noted that the application form is under a revision process, so would likely become easier to complete. It was also noted that organisations are invited to discuss their projects with the Community Foundation prior to submission of an application in order to advise on suitability and eligibility.

Gateshead Council Officers are available to support applicants both during the application process and following a decision, which will help to address any shortfalls in the standard of documentation and reduce the number of applicants rejected due to technical points of eligibility.

RESOLVED - That the information in the report be noted.

##### **4 ROUND 1 APPLICATIONS AND FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS**

Round 1 Applications to the Gateshead Fund

## Financial Summary

Financial Summary September 2017	Total Funding Requested	Total Funding Recommended
Capacity Building Fund funding available to organisations 2017/18		£435,784
Funding available to Gateshead Volunteers Month 2017		£10,000
Funding available to Talented Athlete/Sporting Individuals		£13,200
<b>Total Funding available</b>		<b>£458,984</b>
Round 1: 32 Applications received	£266,761	
Round 1:15 Applications recommended		£134,982
Additional funding request tabled: 1	£10,000	£10,000
Gateshead Volunteers Month 2017: 30 applications recommended		£9,581
Sporting Grants to Individuals: 12	£2,600	£2,600
<b>Total funding recommended</b>		<b>£157,163</b>
Remaining Funding for Organisations 2016/2017		£291,221
Remaining Funding for Talented Athlete/Sporting Individuals		£10,600

Cabinet is asked to note the following applications not recommended for funding

Organisation	Amount requested	Amount recommended
SMILE Through Sport CIC	£9,740	£0
GWK Woodshed CIC	£6,500	£0
Equal Arts	£6,245	£0
Gateshead Indoor Bowls Club	£4,235	£0
Fighting All Cancers Together (FACT)	£9,500	£0
Angel Enterprise North East CIC	£7,500	£0
Regal Respite	£8,500	£0
Ryton Community Library Volunteers Association	£4,000	£0
Anxious Minds	£9,900	£0
Vale Mill Trust	£10,000	£0

Silverline Memories CIO	£9,896	£0
Gateshead Muslim Society	£8,545	£0
Gateshead Jewish Family Service	£10,000	£0
Workplace Foundation	£10,000	£0
EMTEP	£5,970	£0
My Mental Story CIC	£8,848	£0
Dunston Community Centre (deferred from R3 2016/17)	£2,400	£0

Cabinet is asked to note the following applications recommended for funding

Organisation	Amount requested	Amount recommended
Blue Sky Trust	£5,000	£5,000
The Blaydon Shed	£10,000	£10,000
Parish of Bensham and Teams	£9,500	£9,500
Gateshead Redheugh 1957	£10,000	£10,000
Soundroom Community Music Project	£9,531	£9,531
Whickham Fellside Youth Football Club	£8,800	£8,800
Teams & Bensham Community Care	£4,302	£4,302
The Josephine and Jack Project CIO	£9,050	£9,050
North East Young Dads and Lads Project CIO	£9,999	£9,999
NEETZOTZ Ltd	£10,000	£10,000
Gateshead Youth Organisations Council	£10,000	£10,000
Gateshead Fell Cricket Club	£10,000	£10,000
Birtley Community Partnership	£9,800	£9,800
NRASS (deferred from R3 2016/17)	£9,000	£9,000
Jewish Community Council of Gateshead	£10,000	£10,000
Clara Vale Village Hall Association	£10,000	£10,000

Cabinet is requested to note the Individual Sporting Grant Scheme as listed below.

James Young	£100
Aidan Sung	£100
Nikita Sung	£100
Matthew Robertson	£100
Hannah Pringle	£200
William Curtis	£200
Lawrence Johnson	£200
Aimee Lawson	£200
Billy Lapworth	£200
Thomas Mein	£400
Jon Evans	£400
Duncan Rowlands	£400

## **5 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

### **5.1 Release of funds before each funding round**

At the meeting in March 2016, to agree changes to the Fund, it was proposed that the council consider releasing funding ahead of each round, in order to reduce the current lag between applications being made and the receipt of grants, by allowing the Community Foundation to make awards immediately following receipt of confirmation from Cabinet that the Council has accepted the recommendations of the Advisory Group.

Although this was agreed at the meeting, it has not yet been approved by Cabinet. The Advisory Group were invited to formally recommend the proposal.

**Resolved** – Agreed by the Advisory Group

### **5.2 Crawcrook & Greenside Local Environment Group (171092)**

At the Round 3 meeting for 2016/17, the Group were awarded £2,080 to cover the VAT that they would incur because they had not been successful in gaining charitable status. This was considered as a grant in exceptional circumstances.

Subsequently, the group has been awarded charitable status and therefore no longer require funds to cover the VAT element. The Group requested to use the £2,080 funding towards the costs of an interpretation board to be developed and sited in Crawcrook Park, as part of the initial stages of the project which has stemmed directly from the funded feasibility study.

**Resolved** – Agreed by the Advisory Group

### **5.3 Clara Vale Village Hall Association**

The Association requested consideration in respect of funding to cover electrical rewiring work. The Community Foundation would not normally consider applications submitted after the closing date for the round; however, as the applicant has funded work in place which could be jeopardised, the application was considered as an

exceptional circumstance.

The Advisory Group were invited to consider the Community Foundation's recommendation.

**Resolved** – Agreed by the Advisory Group. The grant offer letter to reflect the expectation that this grant, together with the unused funding from previous rounds, will be managed effectively to ensure delivery of all elements within the agreed timescales.

**PRESENT:** Councillor C Donovan (Chair)

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors: J Turnbull

<b>IN ATTENDANCE:</b>	Ian Stevenson	Gateshead Council
	Linda Whitfield	Gateshead Council
	Sue Martin	The Community Foundation
	Nils Stronach	The Community Foundation