APPENDIX 2

GATESHEAD FUND ADVISORY GROUP

Date: 20th February 2018

Advice to Cabinet

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr. H. Haran, Cllr. J Eagle, Cllr. J Turnbull

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3 FUND MANAGER'S REPORT

The Advisory Group was informed of the background to the Fund, its administration by the Community Foundation and the approach taken to Round 3 of the Gateshead Fund in 2017/18.

A summary of support available for applicants was presented and it was 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.

It was noted that the closing date for Round 3 was extended until 12 January 2018 to allow applicants who had started the online application process to complete and submit their applications. The lower volume of applications was likely attributable to the overlap in delivery of Rounds 2 and 3, as well as the Christmas/New Year break taking place mid-Round. The timetable for future Rounds will take these points into consideration.

It was noted that one application was withdrawn, as the applicant had realised their level of reserves meant they were ineligible.

Gateshead Visible Ethnic Minority Support Group and South West Tyneside Methodist Circuit both received support with their applications prior to submission.

The Advisory Group queried whether the Community Foundation's flexibility with requests for additional documentation from applicants created significant additional work.

Round 3 of the Gateshead Fund attracted 17 applications received with a total value of £131,800; all applications were received by the extended deadline. Following the withdrawal of one application, noted above, 16 were considered, with two recommended for rejection and two not recommended for funding. The remaining 12 were recommended for funding by the Community Foundation, with grant awards totalling £89,966.

A summary table of the applications received, and the Community Foundation's

assessment reports and recommendations relating to them were also tabled for the Advisory Group's consideration.

There were 17 Sporting Grants to Individuals recommended, totalling £4,000.

The Gateshead Fund Advisory Group noted the update on the research report.

RESOLVED - That the information in the report be noted.

4 ROUND 3 APPLICATIONS AND FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Round 3 Applications to the Gateshead Fund

Financial Summary

Financial Summary November 2017	Total Funding Requested	Total Funding Recommended
Gateshead Fund funding available to organisations after Rounds 1 and 2		£191,857
Funding available to Talented Athlete/Sporting Individuals after Round 1 and 2		£5,500
Total Funding available		£197,357
Round 3: - 17 applications received	£131,800	
Round 3 - 10 applications recommended	£78,351	£77,351
Round 3: 17 Sporting Grants to Individuals recommended	£4,000	£4,000
Total funding recommended		£81,351
Remaining Funding for Organisations 2017/18		£114,506
Remaining Funding for Talented Athlete/Sporting Individuals 2017/18		£1,500

Advice to Cabinet

Cabinet is asked to approve the following rejected applications:

Ref #	Organisation	Amount requested	Amount awarded
181196	Dunston Community Centre	£2,614	£0

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

Ref#	Organisation	Amount	Amount awarded
		requested	
181964	Gateshead People	5,975	£0
182017	Gateshead Visible EM Support	10,000	£0
	Group		
182071	The Kittiwake Trust	8,000	£0
182027	19 PLUS CIC	9,500	£0

Cabinet is asked to approve the following applications recommended for funding.

Ref#	Organisation	Amount requested	Amount awarded
182019	Hertfordshire House Community Association	8,720	8,720
181351	Special Olympics Gateshead	5,000	5,000
181427	Gateshead Storm Community Rugby League Club	8,500	8,500
181868	Wayout in Gateshead (WinG)	4,320	4,320
182006	South West Tyneside Methodist Circuit	10,000	10,000
182021	22 Sheds	10,000	10,000
182036	Workplace Foundation	2,400	2,400
182062	Leam Methodist Church	10,000	10,000
181079	Headway Tynedale	9,488	8,488
182093	The Millin Charity	9,923	9,923

Cabinet is asked to note Advisory Group recommended the following deferred application, which requires further information to be sought.

181321 Gateshead Hatzola

It was agreed that, Gateshead Council Officers and the Community Foundation work with the following organisations and that they are invited to re-submit a revised application, following assessment feedback.

181964 Gateshead People 182071 The Kittiwake Trust Cabinet is requested to note the Sporting Grants to Individuals as listed below.

Sam Evans	£100	Aoife Smith	£100
Ellen Williamson	£100	Max Williamson	£100
Natalie Batey	£100	Sarah Wright	£100
Emily Stewart	£200	Grace Bullock	£200
Barry Teasdale	£200	Jack Woods	£200
Hannah Kelly	£200	Kevin Kendall	£400
Jon Moss	£400	Natasha Lim	£400
Alan Toward	£400	Scott Mears	£400
Angela McGurk	£400		

5. Any other business

5.1 Update on advance release of funds to the Community Foundation

The Advisory Group noted the update on release of funding before each round, which resulted in grants being released three weeks after Cabinet approval.

5.2 Allocation of remaining 2017/18 Gateshead Fund budget

The Gateshead Fund Advisory Group agreed to recommend that the remaining budget of £116,006 should be carried over to 2018/19 to mitigate against the reduction in the Gateshead Fund for 2018/19.

5.3 Proposed approach for the Gateshead Fund 2018/19

The Advisory Group considered and agreed to recommend the proposals for a change in approach to the Gateshead Fund for 2018/19. The following proposals were agreed:

- The principle of the Gateshead Fund to remain unchanged and to priorities to focus on delivering the ambitions within 'Making Gateshead a place where everyone thrives'
- To reflect the above the Fund to be renamed Gateshead Thrive Fund
- The Gateshead Fund is divided into three strands; small community grants, support for key delivery organisations, a collaborative pilot matched Crowdfunding platform with Newcastle City Futures
- To support, in principle, £30,000 of the Gateshead Fund to be ring-fenced for the pilot Crowdfunding platform collaboration.

5.4 CLLD Launch

The Gateshead Fund Advisory Group noted the update on the Community Foundation's attendance at the CLLD launch event.

Chair: Councillor C Donovan

Members Present: Councillors I Patterson, L Green, M Hood

In Attendance: Ian Stevenson, Gateshead Council

Linda Whitfield, Gateshead Council Adam Lopardo, Community Foundation Nils Stronach, Community Foundation Sue Martin, Community Foundation