

**Report to:** Development Committee

**Subject:** Clarawood Support re allocation of Revenue Grant

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## **Relevant Background Information** There are 3 Revenue funded community groups in the Clarawood estate: Clarawood Community Association - £9,440.97 Clara Park Tenants and Residents - £7,579.02 Oak Partnership - £1,917.89 1.2 The Clarawood Community Association operated out of the BELB Anne Napier Centre with a licence agreement in place between BELB and BCC and a sub licence agreement in place between BCC and Clarawood Community Association. As of the 1st July 2013 this arrangement ended with the BELB taking a more direct involvement in the provision of youth work in the Anne Napier centre. 1.3 The Clara Park Tenants and Residents operate out of their own hall in Clarawood Park. They have a small and ageing membership. 1.4 The Oak Partnership is the smallest of the estate's 3 groups but it has increasingly taken on a co-ordination and leadership role in regards to the community work within the Clarawood estate, working with BELB on its youth work programme and giving guidance and worker and programme support to the

2	Key Issues
2.1	The Community Development Revenue Grant (£9,440.97) for the Clarawood Community Association will not be released in 2013/14 as the BELB are directly organizing Youth Work out of the Anne Napier Centre.
2.2	The Clara Park Tenants and Residents group and the Oak Partnership are working together to ensure that the services previously available at the Anne Napier Centre are available within their own centres.
2.3	To help support and facilitate a partnership and integrated approach to programme development, volunteer training and community consultation

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between the Oak Partnership and Clara Park Tenants and Residents, it is proposed that the Clarawood Community Association 2013/14 Revenue Grant be re allocated between the two remaining groups on the estate.

Officers will work with the groups to assess and support their programme plans. Any reallocated grant will be support to the same compliance and monitoring requirements.

## Resource Implications 3.1 Available within existing budget

## 4 Equality and Good Relations Considerations 4.1 There are no specific equality and good relations considerations attached to this report.

## Recommendations It is recommended that the Clarawood Community Association Revenue grant allocation for 2013/14 be reallocated equally between the Oak Partnership and Clara Park Tenants & Residents in order to secure the continuation and future expansion of services to residents of the Clarawood Estate.

6	Decision Tracking
John Nelson to implement committee decision.	

7	Key to Abbreviations
BELB – Belfast Education and Library Board	
BCC	<ul> <li>Belfast City Council</li> </ul>

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