

STRATEGIC POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Subje	ect:	Area working Update				
Date:		12 th April 2019				
Repo	rting Officer:	Nigel Grimshaw, Strategic Director of City & Neighbourhood Services				
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Restr	icted Reports					
Is this report restricted?			Yes No X			
	If Yes, when will the r	eport become unrestricted?				
After Committee Decision						
	After Council D					
Some time in the future						
	Never					
Call-i	n					
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?			Yes X No			
1.0	Purpose of Report	or Summary of main Issues				
1.1	To seek Members' approval of the minutes of the recent meetings of the North and South AW					
	and recommendations to the SP&R Committee arising from the meeting.					
2.0	Recommendations	nmendations				
	The Committee is as	sked to:				
2.1	AWG minutes					
	Approve the minument	utes of the North Belfast AWG or	19th March 2019 and the South Belfast AW			
	on 25 th March 2019 as attached at Appendix 1.					

2.2 **Project Updates**

- agree that the following project receives funding from the Social Innovation Challenge
 Programme £15,000 for the New Lodge Arts Group Breakthrough project
- agree the proposed movements of the BIF and LIF projects from North and South as laid out in
 3.6 below

3.0 Main report

KEY ISSUES

Area Working Group Minutes

3.1 Members agreed in June 2016 that the Area Working Group minutes would be taken into the SP&R Committee for approval going forward in line with the Council's commitment to openness and transparency and to ensure a consistent approach with other Member-led Working Groups. Members are asked to approve the minutes of the North Belfast AWG on 19th March 2019 and the South Belfast AWG on 25th March 2019 as attached at Appendix 1.

Project Updates

- 3.2 **Social Innovation Challenge Programme –** The Council previously agreed to test how Community Planning might be applied at the local area level and to help inform future neighbourhood working in the following areas; 1. Whiterock, 2. Inner East, 3. Belvoir & Milltown, 4. New Lodge.
- 3.3 To support this work, Council agreed to commission the Young Foundation to work with officers to develop and test a 'social innovation model.' The term 'social innovation' refers to new ideas or ways of working that aim to fulfil unmet social needs or tackle social problems. As part of this model, a Challenge Programme is being implemented with funding available in each of the four areas for up to **four** projects up to a maximum of £15,000 per project.
- The following group successfully pitched their ideas to a decision panel on the 12 March 2019 and the Committee is asked to approve £15,000 of funding to the New Lodge Arts Group for their Breakthrough Project which is designed to support local young people will develop a LBGTQ Awareness and Safety programme for Young People in New Lodge and surrounding areas to -
 - Raise awareness and educate people in the New Lodge about the LGBTQ community and young people;
 - Develop young people's skills in research and consultation with the wider New Lodge Community;
 - To promote anti-bullying within local schools; and
 - Raise the capacity and confidence of young people from the New Lodge (and surrounding areas).
- 3.5 Subject to final approval at council, officers will work with internal colleagues in legal to draw up funding agreements to progress this work.

BIF and LIF Programmes

3.6

Members are asked to approve the following movements for projects being funded under BIF and LIF programmes -

LIF Programme - LORAG – John Murray Lock House project (LIF2-13 - £40,000) has been scored and met the minimum threshold and agree that this project is progressed to Due Diligence stage.

BIF Programme – approve the following movements through the stages for the following projects. This will continue to be subject to the Council's Due Diligence process.

Ref	Project	Current Stage	Proposed Stage
BIF33	Linfield FC/ Boys Brigade and Belvoir FC –	Stage 2-	Move to Stage 3-
	maximum allocation of £250,000	Uncommitted	Committed
BIF35	Knockbreda Parish Church Hall – maximum	Stage 2-	Move to Stage 3-
	allocation of £250,000	Uncommitted	Committed
BIF20	Malgrove – maximum allocation of £500,000	Stage 1 – Emerging	Move to Stage 2-
			Uncommitted

FINANCIAL & RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

3.7 Social Innovation Fund - £15,000 from the ring-fenced allocation for the New Lodge Arts Group Breakthrough Project

LIF/BIF – all projects already have in-principle ring-fenced allocations agreed by Committee

3.8 EQUALITY OR GOOD RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS/RURAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT No implications.

4.0 Appendices – Documents attached

Appendix 1 – Minutes of the North Belfast Area Working Group (19th March 2019) and the South Belfast Area Working Group (25th March 2019).