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South Cumberland Community Panel

Meeting Date: Wednesday, 13 March 2024
Time: 6.00 pm
Location: Beckermets Reading Rooms, Beckermets, CA21 2XN

No	Item	Pages
1.	Apologies for Absence To receive any apologies for absence.	
2.	Declarations of Interest To receive declarations from members of any disclosable pecuniary interest, personal interests, other registrable interest or any other interests in respect of items on the agenda.	
3.	Exclusion of Press and Public To consider whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of any item on the agenda.	
4.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 10 January 2024.	3 - 8
5.	Highways & Transport Strategic Board Meeting To note the minutes of and any updates from the Highways and Transport Strategic Board meeting held on 30 January 2024.	9 - 16
6.	Growing Well To receive a presentation from Growing Well, Egremont.	
7.	Community Panel Update To consider a report by the Community Development Officer.	17 - 40
8.	Investing in our Neighbourhood Report To consider a report by the Community Development Officer.	41 - 68
9.	Date and Time of Next Meeting The date and venue of the next scheduled meeting of the South Cumberland Community Panel to be confirmed.	

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**South
Cumberland**
Community Panel

Date: Wednesday, 10 January 2024

Time: 6.00 pm

Location: The Meeting Place, Main Street, Egremont,
CA22 2DR

Present: Cllr L Jones-Bulman (Chair), Cllr D Moore (Vice-Chair), Cllr M Eldon,
Cllr Dr B Kelly, Cllr S Pollen and Cllr A Pratt

In Attendance Director of Children and Family Wellbeing
Local Area Network Manager
Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom
Area Planning Manager
Community Development Officer
Democratic Services Officer (Scrutiny)

22 Apologies for Absence

No Apologies for Absence were received.

23 Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were received.

24 Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED – there were no items on the agenda for the press and public to be excluded.

25 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on 5 October be approved.

26 Highways & Transport Strategic Board Meeting

The Chair, Vice Chair and the Local Area Network Manager as the Highways Representative provided the Panel with highlights from the minutes which related to the Panel area, with a specific focus on the road works being undertaken due to the levelling up funding which has a spend deadline date of 2025.

A Member asked if there was a dedicated contact for Members within the Levelling-Up Team. The Local Area Network Manager explained that the best contact would be himself, to allow the

team to focus on their work. He also highlighted the ongoing offer to all councillors to have a drive through their local area to ask any questions about ongoing/future works.

Members had a discussion regarding bus services and potential funding, with a request for further information, and including local members when creating schemes.

A Member asked when the Draft Programme of Works 2024/25 would be finalised, and the Local Area Network Manager confirmed that they would be finalised at the next Highways & Transport Strategic Board meeting.

RESOLVED – that the contents of the minutes be noted.

27 Town Deals & Borderlands Update

The Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom provided the Panel with a Presentation to update them on the Towns Fund projects within Cleator Moor and Millom & Haverigg.

A Member queried if there was a list of people waiting to move into the Industrial Solutions Hub (iSH) and whether there would be any links with Sellafield. The Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom noted that a sustainable business case, a refined version of the original business case, was being produced to help ensure demand and need were being met with testing also being done regarding what organisations and businesses would need from the site, alongside education and links with Sellafield.

Members asked about the change of leadership within iSH and whether the Council would be notified. The Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom explained that the seconded Chief Executive had now left and a recruitment process had taken place with the outcome of the process to be made immediately. The Panel were also assured that, as the Council have stakes in iSH, they would be notified of the recruitment outcome.

A Member queried whether the artwork in the square would remain which the Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom assured that it would remain but would be moved to the back of the square to allow the project to open up the area.

Members discussed the current Cleator Moor Activity Centre, including that there had been a new surface put in to allow for football and rugby to take place, and the inclusion of a gym within the Towns Fund project plan. It was noted that the project plan was to enhance the current gym in the Activity Centre to help increase the usage following the needs assessment survey. Members also voiced their request for the updated gym to be open on weekends.

A Member asked about the Levelling-Up funding received for the area and queried if a briefing could be had with the appropriate people. The Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom noted that the Levelling-Up funding was part of the Leconfield regeneration, which is a Cumberland Council project and not the Towns Fund.

Members had a discussion around the lack communications for the Towns Fund Projects and possible ways to improve it. The Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom noted the comments made and highlighted that a draft Communications Strategy was in the process of being agreed, with the Panel's comments being taken into consideration. It was also noted that all comments made by the public are also being considered, such as those received through the previous drop-in sessions and that easy access to the website for information was being explored.

A Member asked if it was possible to explore including an addition of LED lights which glow in the dark along the pathways being improved to help save electricity. The Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom noted that the discussion was being had around adding the LED lights to help improve the routes and attract footfall.

A Member raised concern regarding the rare plants which had been discovered at the Iron Line site and whether issues around the discovery had been resolved. The Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom noted that the team had taken on board the response from National England and adapted their design in response. It was also highlighted that due to the sensitivity of the site, there was ongoing design consultations with organisations such as National England and the RSPB to receive help on addressing issues as the project continues.

A Member asked for clarification whether the old NatWest building in Millom was still up for sale, which the Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom clarified as not being the case as it was one of Cumberland's first actions to purchase the building.

A Member queried if there was any additional information regarding potential dilapidated building that would be repurposed. The Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom explained that the grant aspect of the projects took dilapidated buildings into account for the regeneration theme but that the Towns Fund project was seen as a starting point that the towns could build on in the future to help with regenerating those buildings.

A Member asked if the streetlight in Haverigg would remain in place which the Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom confirmed that it would not be touched.

A Member queried whether there were any shortfalls in the funding for the projects and when construction work would begin. The Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom noted that there were currently some shortfalls in funding that the team were investigating possible options for external funding to help cover and help ensure that the project was completed within the budget. Although, the Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom did note that possible re-profiles could be done, with approval from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC), to help meet the time constraints of using the funding (mid-2026). Regarding starting the construction work, the Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom commented that conversations were ongoing with the contractors regarding the exact details and agreement would be needed from the Council before any work started.

A Member asked whether the Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom was confident that the projects would meet the timescales for completion. The Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom confirmed that he was confident both Towns Fund projects were still on target.

Members thanked the Head of Towns Fund Cleator Moor and Millom for the presentation and thanked all of the team involved for all their hard work.

RESOLVED: that,

- 1) The presentation be noted.
- 2) A potential briefing on the Levelling-Up funding be considered for a future Panel meeting.

28 Introduction and update from the Industrial Solutions Hub (iSH)

With permission from the Chair, this item was removed from the agenda due to the Industrial Solutions Hub (iSH) no longer being able to attend and provide their presentation.

29 Community Panel Update

The Area Planning Manager provided an overview of the detailed report which updated Members on activity in the Community Panel area and included information regarding the Network Panel event, Cumbria Wildlife Trust Planting for Pollinators Scheme (included within Appendix 2), Cumbria Coastal Community Forest Ehenside Site (map within Appendix 3), the Food Cumberland Strategic Framework and Green to Grow event, Winter Help Leaflet (included within Appendix 4), King's Award for Voluntary Services for the Cumbria Federation of Young Farmers' Club, the Summer Holiday Activity and Food Programme and a Library Update.

A Member asked for clarification on the Food Cumberland Strategic Framework and how this would be delivered. The Area Planning Manager noted that there were two officers who had a dedicated focus on this Framework and the issue would be added to the agenda for the next meeting to provide the Panel with more information.

The Community Development Officer noted that there was a further update for the Libraries within the panel area, as a scheme for recycling small electronics was due to start imminently.

RESOLVED: that,

- 1) The contents of the report are noted.
- 2) The Priorities, as set out in paragraphs 3.8, be approved.
- 3) The Food Cumberland Strategic Framework be added to the agenda for the next meeting to provide the Panel with further information.

30 Investing in our Neighbourhood Report

Members received a report which set out the current position of the Neighbourhood Investment Fund allocation to this Community Panel as agreed by the Cumberland Council Executive. The Community Development Officer informed the Panel that there were 3 Community Investment Applications for either approval, disapproval, or deferment and one to be noted.

Members noted that, though they were okay to approve the amount requested for Always Another Way, they were uncomfortable with the precedent that would be set by approving funding for advertisements for a product that would end up costing members of the community money. Even with the cost of the session were at a subsidised rate.

A Member queried whether there would be a cost for attending a session for Mind in Furness. The Community Development Officer explained that there may be a small charge to cover room hire and refreshments but noted that, normally, such charges would be funded through the profits of their shop. However, due to a lower amount of trade through the shop, some costs may occur.

A Member asked what the difference was between an informal and a formal paint session. The Community Development Officer explained that it was most likely that the formal paint sessions would be held by professionals with specialist materials and the informal session would be held by volunteers.

A Member queried the change in the initial amount requested by Haverigg Inshore Rescue (HIR) of £13,000 and the amount the Panel were being asked to agree of £12,500. The Community Development Officer clarified that the initial amount was an overestimation and when HIR returned with updated quotes for the training and equipment, they provided the updated costing of the lower amount.

The Democratic Services Officer highlighted the need for an additional recommendation to cover a potential future issue, should there be a significant number of Members declaring disclosable pecuniary interests which result in the meeting not being quorate. The Members agreed with the aim of the recommendation.

RESOLVED: that,

- 1) The contents of the report be noted.
- 2) An amount of £400 allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Always Another Way to provide advertising for subsidised alternative therapies and aromatherapy massage to support those with mental health concerns be refused due to concerns regarding costs to service users and setting a precedent regarding funding advertisements.
- 3) An amount of £1,089 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Mind In Furness to provide creative arts activities for the Safe Space project based in Millom be agreed.
- 4) An amount of £12,500 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Haverigg Inshore Rescue to provide training and purchase equipment. be agreed.
- 5) An approval made as part of the less than £1,500 arrangement for £1,300 has been allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Growing Well, Egremont to purchase new kitchen and cooking equipment be noted.
- 6) Any applications received, where a significant amount of Members had to declare disclosable pecuniary interests which result in the meeting not being quorate (as the members had to leave the room), be delegated to the Chair, Assistant Director of Communities & Localities and the Director attached to this Community Panel for a decision outwith this meeting and that the outcome of the decision be reported to the next meeting of the Community Panel so there is a formal record.

31 Date and Time of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 13 March 2024 at 6pm and will be held at Beckermest Reading Rooms, Beckermest.

The meeting finished at 7.35 pm

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Highways and Transport Strategic Board

Date: Tuesday, 30 January 2024

Time: 10.30 am

Location: Cumbria House, Botchergate, Carlisle

Present: Cllr D Rollo (Chair), Cllr B Cannon and Cllr M Fryer

Also Present:

In Attendance Director of Place, Sustainable Growth and Transport
Democratic Services Officer
Assistant Director - Highways and Transport
Chief Legal Officer (Monitoring Officer)
Lawyer - Highways and Traffic
Traffic Management & TTRO Team Leader - Allerdale
Senior Manager - Infrastructure Planning and Transport
Senior Manager for Asset Management
Senior Manager, Highways Delivery
Traffic Management Team Leader - Copeland
Road Safety Coordinator
Capital Portfolio Manager - Capital Programme

HSTB.14/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Grisdale and Cllr Quilter.

HSTB.15/23 HEALTH AND SAFETY PRESENTATION

The Chair gave a presentation on winter driving. The presentation highlighted the difficulties face by the highway teams and advice for driving when it was cold and there was a risk of black ice. The Chair referred members to the ROSPA (The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents) website for further advice.

HSTB.16/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

HSTB.17/23 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED, that the press and public be not excluded from the meeting during consideration of any item on the agenda.

HSTB.18/23 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the last meeting of the Board held on 11 November 2023 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

HSTB.19/23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A petition was presented to the Board by John Robinson – Tree Road, Brampton:-

“I and everyone who is a signee of this petition would like to ask the Cumbria Highways Department to form a section of footpath along the side of the boundary wall to Allan Fields, Tree Road, Brampton, Cumbria. Also to make the road single track with priority to the vehicles travelling up the hill. The existing arrangements at the moment is highly dangerous for pedestrians, the disable, pushchairs and wheelchair users.”

The Board received the petition which was to be considered under agenda item 7.

The Chair read out a letter of support from the Local Member for Brampton who had been unable to attend the meeting.

A Board member asked if the petitioner had approached the community panel. The petitioner advised he had not.

The petitioner was thanked for his attendance at the meeting and for the presentation of the petition.

HSTB.20/23 PETITION - TREE ROAD, BRAMPTON

The Senior Manager for Asset Management presented a report on the petition received to form a section of footpath along the side of the boundary wall to Allan Fields, Tree Road, Brampton and also to make the road single track with priority to vehicles travelling up the hill.

Members were informed that it was the intention of officers to investigate the issues and requests raised and provide a detailed report back to the next meeting of the Highways & Transport Strategic Board in April 2024.

The Assistant Director for Highways and Transport encouraged reporting as it strengthened the case for that issue to be dealt with and advised that this could be done in various ways including online, the highway hotline and through Community Panels.

RESOLVED, that the Board, having heard the presentation of a Petition requesting the Council to form a section of footpath along the side of the boundary wall to Allan Fields, Tree Road, Brampton, agree that officers investigate the issues and requests raised and report back to the next meeting of the Board in April 2024.

HSTB.21/23 CAPITAL PROGRAMME UPDATE

The Board received a report and presentation from the Capital Portfolio Manager that provided an update on the Highways and Transport projects included in the Place Portfolio of the Capital Programme. The Place portfolio includes projects that were funded from the Department for Levelling Up Housing and Communities (DLUHC) through Levelling Up funding, Town Deal, Future High Street Funds and Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal.

It was noted that the Council had a large Place programme including four Town Deals (Carlisle, Workington, Cleator Moor and Millom), two Future High Street Funds (Carlisle and Maryport) and three Levelling Up schemes. A large element of the Capital Programme included a range of highway and transport focused projects that were funded through DLUHC. These projects included junction improvements, public realm enhancements and cycle and walking improvements. The report provided members with an update on progress of the highways and transport focused projects within the programme and highlighted any key items for consideration by the Board.

Members spoke in support of the projects. The officer and team were thanked for their fantastic work.

RESOLVED, that the report be noted.

HSTB.22/23 HIGHWAYS FUNDING ALLOCATION 2024-25

The Highways Asset Manager provided a report that updated the Board to the Highways Capital Allocations for 204/25 and recommended the split of highways capital funding between the relevant asset groups. The report also contained details on how the schemes were prioritised.

Members noted that following arbitration the Department for Transport (DfT), Highways Capital Grant allocation was disaggregated between Cumberland and Westmorland & Furness in 2023/24 and 2024/25, assuming that the grant allocation remained the same for both years. The result was that Cumberland received £17.14m in 2023/24 and will receive £16.78m in 2024/25. The officer explained that without arbitration the allocation would have been £16.37M in both years. In future years the DfT would allocate funding directly to both authorities in line with the DfT formulae which would see a further reduction in funding to £16.37m.

It was reported that in November 2023 an additional £1.949m was awarded to Cumberland for both 2023/24 and 2024/25 for local road resurfacing and wider maintenance activity on the local highway network. The year-by-year profile beyond 2024/25 had not yet been finalised, but the funding was expected to increase over time and it was estimated that £130m additional funds would be allocated between 2023/24 and 2033/34. Given Cumberland had been allocated £1.949M in 2023/24 and £1.949M in 2024/25 it was estimated that for each year from 2025/26 to 2033/34, an extra £14.03M will be allocated to Cumberland for highways. Additional grant funding was allocated to specific projects such as the Levelling Up Fund and so this was ring fenced from these purposes and was not included in this paper.

The report proposed a split of the £18.729m (£16.78m and £1.949m) between the various asset groups for 24/25 and was linked to the Highways Asset Management Strategy which was approved by the Board in August 2023. The Strategy recommended an asset driven approach to the maintenance of the highways and the associated infrastructure, fulfilling the statutory duty under Section 41 of the Highways Act 1980 to maintain the highway (option 3 in the report).

Members welcomed the asset management risk based approach as it ensured the allocation split was flexible and responsive to service needs. A member asked what the overall effect would be on the road network as he felt it was in poor condition. The Assistant Director for Highways and Transport advised that the network was the Council's biggest asset, continually expanding, underfunded, needed investment and, in part, was reliant on funding bids. The Chair advised of regular meetings with the DfT to lobby for more funding. The officer confirmed that the Levelling Up fund allocation was ring-fenced for the A595 and A5086.

Winter weather and the detrimental effect it had on the network was discussed. The Assistant Director for Highways and Transport outlined new measures put in place to maintain the network.

RESOLVED, that

- (1) the Cumberland Highways Capital Funding Allocation between the asset groups for 2024/25 be approved as detailed in section 4 of the report;
- (2) additional funding received during 2024/25 would be allocated by officers in conjunction with the agreement of the Portfolio holder.

HSTB.23/23 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME 24/25

A report was presented to members detailing the proposed works programme for the Highways & Transport service for the 2024/2025 budget year. The report also indicated potential programmes for future years. The programme was broken down into several work types, each aimed at supporting the maintenance and improvements of the road network across Cumberland.

It was noted that the finalised works programme would be circulated to members along with map locations. A member advised that some of the schemes had been assigned to the wrong community panel. The officer agreed to correct these. The officer confirmed pre-existing schemes would take priority.

RESOLVED, that the proposed Highways Works Programme for the 2024/25 budget year and the indicative programme for future years, Appendix 1 to the report, be noted.

HSTB.24/23 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT POLICY

The Traffic Management Team Leader – Copeland presented a report on a new 20mph speed limit policy, appended to the report and criteria to be used in assessing and implementing 20mph speed limits within Cumberland.

The Chief Legal Officer and Monitoring Officer advised the Board that the report decision was a key decision and had not gone through the due process therefore invited members to make comments and advised that this matter would be considered at the next Board meeting.

The officer outlined the background of the paper. The 20mph speed limit policy had been developed to deliver a consistent approach to the assessment and introduction of 20mph limits within Cumberland. The policy was intended to ensure speed limits were logical and suitable for their surroundings, and was reflective of the DfT's stance on 20mph limits. It was noted that the policy would be revisited once new DfT guidance was published. The 20mph restrictions would be reviewed in accordance with the agreed Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) programme which was appended to the report.

The officer outlined schemes for schools and advised that it was unrealistic to enforce 20 mph speed limits at every school. Other measures could be put in place to assist with safety around schools. The discussion centred around enforcement, speeding, speed limits in villages and parking on pavements. A member expressed his disappointment on the policy as he felt it was too timid. A Board member disagreed and advised that the introduction of the policy would help speed up the assessment process. The Assistant Director for Highways and Transport advised

that it was a supportive measure to deliver a consistent approach to the assessment and introduction of 20 mph limits with Cumberland.

RESOLVED, that the 20mph speed limit policy be submitted to the next meeting of the Board for consideration.

HSTB.25/23 ROAD SAFETY MANAGEMENT AND THE CUMBRIA ROAD SAFETY PARTNERSHIP (CRSP)

A report was received which provided a brief explanation of the management of Road Safety within the Council boundary and background to the Cumbria Road Safety Partnership (CRSP) which was attached as Appendix 1. The Board was updated on several changes currently being made which had the aim of making the roads within Cumberland safer for all.

Members noted that the CRSP, led by the Cumbria Police had recently refreshed its approach to its Governance and have now:

- Adopted “Vision Zero” – A target of zero fatalities by 2040 with a 50% reduction in those killed or seriously injured by 2030, with respect to a baseline.
- Established an overseeing Tactical Group and two Operational Groups, which act as the local tasking forums. The current Remit of the Tactical Group was attached as an Appendix.

The CRSP Road Safety Plan was currently being finalised, which was expected to apply for a three year period, together with the future use and hosting of the supporting CRSP website. Related activity currently underway by Cumberland Council was the drafting of a Cumberland Council Road Safety Policy that would detail how the Council would ensure the safety of the infrastructure and the intention to make the optimum use of staffing resources through the Transformation process.

RESOLVED, that the report be noted.

HSTB.26/23 CUMBERLAND COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, MARYPORT AND SURROUNDING AREA) (CONSOLIDATION AND PROVISION OF TRAFFIC REGULATIONS) ORDER 20><

Members received a report that informed of the background and proposed changes to the former “The County of Cumbria (Various Roads, Maryport and Surrounding Area) (Consolidation and Provision of Traffic Regulations) Order 2023, following statutory consultation and advertisement of the Cumberland Council (Various Roads, Maryport and Surrounding Area) (Consolidation and Provision of Traffic Regulations) Order 20><.

The Traffic Management (Allerdale) & TTRO (Cumberland) Team outlined the background, consultation period and the proposed changes.

The Ward Councillor made representations including the following points:-

- raised concerns about the reduction of waiting limit from 1 hour to 30 minutes in disc parking bays on Senhouse Street;
- raised concerns on a narrow part of Senhouse Street with bollards that made it difficult for wheelchair users and prams, fire appliances and ambulances;

- asked for disc parking, waiting limit to 30 minutes, on Senhouse Street (outside the pub) in place of the bus stop;
- supported the proposals for Wood Street and Catherine Street.

The officer confirmed that no objections to the proposals had been received. The Ward Councillor was advised that some of the changes proposed related directly to the delivery of the Maryport Future High Street Fund project and if necessary, could be reviewed in the Maryport and surrounding area traffic review in 2025/26.

RESOLVED, that

- (1) that, having taken into consideration the matters contained in Section 122(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, which were more specifically referred to in the Legal section of the report, it be agreed that the Cumberland Council (Various Roads, Maryport and Surrounding Area) (Consolidation and Provision of Traffic Regulations) Order 20>< (“the Order”), be brought into operation, as advertised, in respect of the following proposals:
 - (i) reduce the extent of the “Disc Zone 2 – Disc Parking places, waiting limited to 2 hours, return prohibited within 2 hours, resident permit holders exempt from the time limit, 8.30 am – 6.00 pm, Monday to Saturday inclusive” on the south side of Catherine Street, Maryport by 4 metres and replace it with a “No Waiting At Any Time” restriction;
 - (ii) remove the “Disc Parking Places, Waiting Limited to 1 hour, return prohibited within 1 hour, 8.30 am – 6.00pm, Monday to Saturday inclusive” restriction on parts of Senhouse Street, Maryport;
 - (iii) introduce “Disc Parking Places, Waiting Limited to 30 minutes, return prohibited within 30 minutes, 8.30 am – 6.00pm, Monday to Saturday inclusive” restrictions on parts of Senhouse Street, Maryport;
 - (iv) amend the “Disc Parking Place, Waiting Limited to 30 minutes, return prohibited within 1 hour, 8.30 am – 6.00pm, Monday to Saturday inclusive” restriction on the south side of Wood Street, Maryport to “return prohibited within 30 minutes”;
 - (v) amend the extent of the “No Waiting At Any Time” restrictions on Senhouse Street, Maryport

HSTB.27/23 INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING AND TRANSPORT UPDATE

The Senior Manager for Infrastructure Planning and Transport presented a report that updated the Board on key workstreams within Infrastructure Planning and Transport. These were as follows: -

- Active Travel
- Funding for Bus Services
- Zero Emission Bus Regional Areas 2 (ZEBRA 2)
- Transport for the North (TfN)

Members discussed bus services in their areas and difficulties in maintaining them. The officer was aware of issues that had been raised by members through the engagement that has happened with the Community Panels.

Members were disappointed that a bid had not been put forward for funding to the Zero Emission Bus Regional (ZEBRA) 2 scheme. The Council had submitted an Expression of Interest to potentially submit a bid but unfortunately an agreement could not be put in place with Stagecoach. The Chair and Assistant Director of Highways and Transport had raised concerns with the DfT, outlined the difficulties working with one bus service operator and held regular meetings with Stagecoach to try and attain a people led service.

A member raised concerns on the Winter Maintenance Policy. It was agreed that this be discussed outside of the meeting.

The officer and highways teams were thanked for all their hard work.

RESOLVED, that the report be noted.

HSTB.28/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for 22 April 2024 at 10.30 am in the Civic Centre, Carlisle.

The meeting finished at 1.20 pm

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South Cumberland Community Panel Update

Meeting Date – 13 March 2024

Lead Officer - Paul Musgrave

1.0 Purpose / Summary

- 1.1 The report updates this Community Panel on recent activity by Cumberland Council within this Community Panel area.
- 1.2 The work of the Community Panel contributes to the achievement of the Council Plan 2023 - 2027 vision:
 - Cumberland Council takes a fresh approach to the delivery of inclusive services that are shaped by our residents and communities.
 - By enabling positive outcomes for health and wellbeing, prosperity and the environment we will fulfil the potential of our people and our area.
- 1.3 The Council Plan aims to improve the health and wellbeing of our residents through the following priorities:
 - Addressing inequalities
 - Local economies that work for local people
 - Environmental resilience and the climate emergency
 - Delivering excellent public services
- 1.4 This Community Panel has also identified the following priorities for this panel area which are:
 - Improving Health and Wellbeing
 - Accessibility and connectivity
 - Supporting children, families and young people
 - Improving the local living environment

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 Members note the contents of the report.

3.0 Background

- 3.1 This report sets out the activity that has taken place within this Community Panel area in the last quarter that has been led or supported by Cumberland Council. It also makes reference to consultations that are Cumberland wide or specific to this area.
- 3.2 This Community Panel covers the wards of Cleator Moor East and Frizington, Cleator Moor West, Egremont, Gosforth, Millom and Millom Without.

Network Events and Network Activity

- 3.3 The South Cumberland Panel Community Development Officer will be attending a variety of local groups active in the South Cumberland Community Panel area. The intended outcome is to promote the work of the Panels, engage the community and encourage collaborative ways of working with partners and stakeholders.
- 3.4 In addition the Community Development Officer will also attend organised events to promote and profile the work of the Community Panel and the Community Development team.
- 3.5 The Community Development Team have been invited to join and hold a table at the funding Fair organised by NWS (Nuclear Waste Services) Community Investment Fund on 21 February 2024 in Beckermest Reading Room and 29 February in Gosforth Public Hall.
- 3.6 At this event the Officers will be able to explain the role of Community Panels and the Neighbourhood Investment Plan together with the priorities required for the investment application process. Members and Officers will be available to speak to the public and collect feedback as well as network with other funders at the event.
- 3.7 The South Cumberland Community Development Officer attending the Talk and Tidy event arranged by Local Focus hub in Millom on 24 January 2024. This involved working with partners of the Local Focus Hub, litter picking in the town and engaging with the public. A further Talk and Tidy event was held in Cleator Moor on 29 February 2024.

Active Cumbria - Programme Delivery Outputs and Progress

Street Tag

- 3.8 On 3 January 2024, the previous school based programme was relaunched with a new format.
- 3.9 The previous locality leader boards were merged to match the two new unitary authorities, widening the programme to include more settings in addition to schools. These include workplaces, community organisations, sports clubs, and families, which are now all able to create teams and compete on one of the two leader boards.
- 3.10 Active Cumbria are seeking people to come forward and become team captains where they can create teams for their respective settings.

- 3.11 Season 1 of the new programme finishes on the 13 March 2024, after which Active Cumbria will be share the results and outcomes the first season.
- 3.12 Currently 36 Schools and organisations from across Cumberland are engaging in this years programme.

Active Travel to School - Bikeability

- 3.13 Training has been delivered in schools across the South Cumberland Panel areas. Full details are at **appendix 1**.

Active Start

- 3.14 Gosforth Primary School and Seascale Primary School have undertaken Active Start training for Early Years this academic year.

Ramblers Wellbeing Walks

- 3.15 Two Walk Leader (WL) training sessions took place in July 2023 and January 2024. These were delivered at Distington with 16 attendees from across the former Allerdale and Copeland areas.

The following Wellbeing Walks are taking place in or close to the panel area. Full details at **appendix 2**.

- Copeland Wellness Service - Cleator Moor and Egremont (Weekly) and Seascale – (Monthly)
- Egremont Amblers (Weekly)

Active Lives Survey – Children and Young People

- 3.16 Following LGR this data is now collected on a unitary authority footprint and not a district footprint. This results in less schools being randomly selected to participate meaning the data is much more generalised across the unitary area.

Cumbria Physical Education (P.E.) Network meetings

- 3.17 Active Cumbria P.E. Network meetings are termly meetings and include continued professional development input from a keynote speaker, county updates and breakout rooms for the locality areas.

Children and Young People (CYP) conference

- 3.18 This conference ‘Physical Activity and Movement – The Curriculum and Beyond!’ took place on Thursday 7 March 2024 at North Lakes Hotel, Penrith. A range of guest speakers and schools shared best practice and participated in three workshops.

Cumbria School games

- 3.19 Five county events took place in 2023 covering both Cumberland and Westmorland and Furness. 1044 participants were involved as well as 175 young leaders. Planning is well underway for 2024 events. Further information is available via the link: [Cumbria School Games - Active Cumbria](#)

Sellafield Funding

3.20 Active Cumbria supported Sellafield in distributing funding to organisations in the former Allerdale and Copeland localities focusing on creating new opportunities for physical activity.

Activate kits for Warm Hubs

3.21 Active Cumbria held an Activate training session in June 2023 at the Whitehaven United Reform Church where 16 people attended from a variety of organisations.

3.22 Five Activate Bags were distributed through the Warm Hub funding in March 2023.

3.23 The kits are held by Whitehaven URC, Florence Arts Centre, Skills4U Cleator Moor, Beckermeth Reading Rooms and Millom Network Centre.

3.24 These organisations are now sharing their kits with other wider community groups so more people benefit from the games equipment.

Local Focus Hub Update

3.25 The purpose of the Local Focus Hubs (LFH) is to coordinate partner agencies, establishing clear and productive relationships with key partners from statutory, secondary and third tier and voluntary groups. The aim of the LFH is to:

- Improve community safety and tackle difficult and long-term problems where a single organisation has explored all options and requires a partnership approach.
- Lead on community safety initiatives and reduce the fear of ASB and Crime
- Identify emerging trends and look at initiatives to prevent and reduce ASB and Crime in partnership and collaboration.

3.26 There are three established Local Focus Hubs in Cumberland Council. Each geographically aligned with the neighbourhood policing teams of Carlisle and Wigton, Derwent and Esk. Each hub is based in co-located offices with easy access offering partners the opportunity to work and collaborate with LFH staff.

- The former Copeland area LFH is in Whitehaven Police Station
- Each LFH has a Police officer Hub Coordinator allocated, who is responsible for the day-to-day management of referrals received from partners.

Operating Model

3.27 Problems are referred into the hub by any partner agency signed up to the information sharing agreement. A referral can relate to an individual, a family, a business, or organisation. The issue referred could be concerning crime and disorder, health and wellbeing, environmental, housing and many other areas of work.

3.28 There is an online referral form containing a series of risk assessment-based questions which produce a grading. Each referral is then managed through an established problem-solving model.

Partners

- 3.29 Each Hub manages referrals in the same way, with each Hub having slightly different partners depending on the needs of the community.
- 3.30 Each LFH manager works alongside the neighbourhood policing team's Inspector which provides a lead on collaborative partnership work with:
- Community Sergeants, Community Beat Officers, Police Community Support officers, Child Centred Policing Teams, Police Mental Health team, Youth offending and Crime Prevention.
 - Cumbria Fire and Rescue, NHS Services including Addiction and Mental Health services, Multi-Disciplinary Teams (Vulnerable service users living in the community), MARAC (Multi-agency risk assessment conference), Environment Agency, British Transport Police, Immigration.
 - Local Authority – Environmental Health, Licensing, Enforcement, Legal, Planning, Homelessness Team, Greenspaces, Highways, Education, HAWCs, Trading Standards
 - Social Housing partners from Riverside, Castles and Coasts, Home Group, My Spaces, Home Group, Westfield Housing and other smaller housing providers are key partners who we work with daily.
 - Remedi (Mediation service and support for victims of ASB), Victim Support. Youth Organisations, Youth Offending, Age Concern, Business crime reduction group, Cumbria Family Support and many others.
- 3.31 An overview of Local Focus Hub initiatives is at **appendix 3**.

Libraries Update

- 3.32 Local library services are offered from staffed branch libraries in Millom, Egremont, Frizington and Cleator Moor.
- 3.33 Library users in the Gosforth and Seascale areas can access more limited book supplies in 'Library Links', offered in community run buildings.
- 3.34 These localities rely on community volunteers to resource the books, and other elements of the offer in their buildings.
- 3.35 The self-service machine in Seascale has now been upgraded to a newer model to assist the community volunteers manage any books or other items borrowed from that Library Link.
- 3.36 In the start of 2024, some of the branch libraries have altered their regular programme of events in response to local feedback.

- 3.37 Egremont Library now hosts a regular Chess Club, whilst Millom Library has made a number of changes to the dates and times of regular events. This has led to a significant increase in the attendance at its Lego Club and Rhymetime for children with their parents and carers.
- 3.38 Library staff are currently working with Jamie Jenkinson, one of the artists previously commissioned as part of the Connecting Cumbria's Hidden Coast project.
- 3.39 Jamie is finalising some customised pieces, that came out of his commission, to be available at Millom Library from the summer as part of an art trail along the coast. The work reflects the area's landscape and heritage and the pieces at the library will incorporate sound recordings in the work. More information on the residency: [Deep Time Artist Residences: Artists explore the hidden side of Lake District Coast \(cumbria.ac.uk\)](https://www.cumbria.ac.uk/deep-time-artist-residences)

Support Leaflet

- 3.40 The 'Christmas Support' leaflet has been updated and rebranded 'Winter Support'. The new version is at **appendix 4**.

Consultations

Family Wellbeing Transformation

- 3.41 Cumberland Council are looking to transform their Family Wellbeing services to better meet the needs of children, young people and families in Cumberland. Their vision is that every child grows up in a nurturing and supportive environment, surrounded by love and a strong community which enables them to thrive. By prioritising children and family wellbeing, they can create a brighter future for generations to come.
- 3.42 In the South Cumberland Panel area the first engagement event took place at Egremont Library Thursday 22 February 2024. Additional engagement sessions took place in Workington and Wigton libraries on Monday 5 February 2024, Whitehaven library on Thursday 22 February 2024 and Brampton and Harraby community centres on Wednesday 28 February 2024.
- 3.43 The drop-ins offered the public an opportunity to share their views, ask questions and speak to Elected Members and staff. Members of the public were also invited to complete the Family Wellbeing in Cumberland survey.
- 3.44 The survey, which closes on 15 March 2024, can be found online at <https://consult.cumberland.gov.uk/children-and-family-wellbeing/children-and-family-wellbeing-services/>

Waste Collection Review

- 3.45 Cumberland Council are inviting residents to have their say and play a key role in developing the future of Cumberland's Waste Services.
- 3.46 Following the Local Government Reorganisation, there is a need to streamline current collections, ensuring a uniform service across the Cumberland area. This will ensure waste will be collected consistently in a sustainable, effective and efficient way.

3.47 As part of the Cumberland Council’s commitment to meeting the needs of residents, fulfilling the council plan, and complying with legislation, we are embarking on a comprehensive review of waste services.

3.48 In addition to drop-in roadshows detailed below, there is an online survey that can be accessed here: [either completing an online survey](#).

Friday 16 February	9.30am – 12.30pm	Egremont Farmers Market
Wednesday 21 February	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Longtown Community Centre
Saturday 24 February	10am – 2pm	Workington Market
Saturday 24 February	11am – 3pm	Carlisle Library
Wednesday 28 February	10am – 2pm	Tesco in Millom
Monday 4 March	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Brampton Community Centre
Friday 8 March	10am – 2pm	Wigton Market
Wednesday 13 March	10am – 2pm	Booths Keswick
Saturday 16 March	10am – 3pm	Whitehaven Entrepreneurs Market

3.49 During these roadshows, people have the opportunity to interact with council staff, discuss waste services, learn about ways to enhance recycling habits and obtain a paper copy of the survey.

4.0 Options

Alternative Options Considered

4.1 No other options considered as this report is to note only.

Risks

4.2 The associated corporate risk is as follows:

There is a risk that the Community Panels and Community Networks do not effectively engage with and/or represent the views of local residents, partners, businesses and third sector organisations.

4.3 The activities outlined in this report and the associated recommendations help to mitigate this risk. There are no further risks associated with this report.

Consultation

4.4 There has been no consultation associated with the recommendations of this report.

Legal Comment

4.5 No legal issues arise directly from the report. Any legal issues arising from the delivery of specific projects will be dealt with as they arise.

Finance Comment

- 4.6 The South Cumberland Community Panel is one of 8 Community Panels which are funded from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund which is part of Communities and Localities within the Public Health and Communities Directorate.
- 4.7 The 2023/24 budget allocation to the South Cumberland Community Panel is £64,523
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Impact Assessments

- 4.8 An impact Assessment has not been used.

Contact Officer: Lee Thorburn Area Planning Manager

Appendices attached to report:

- Appendix 1 Active Travel to school - Bikeability
- Appendix 2 Ramblers Wellbeing walks
- Appendix 3 Local Focus Hub
- Appendix 4 Winter Support Leaflet

Active Travel to School - Bikeability training delivered.

School	Academic Year	Pupil participation
Seascale Primary School	5	19
Haverigg Primary School	6	18
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School	6	7
Frizington Community Primary School	6	18
St Patrick's Catholic Primary School	6	24
St James' Catholic Primary School	4	19
St James' Catholic Primary School	5	22
St Bega's Church of England Primary School	5	1
St Bega's Church of England Primary School	6	5
Bookwell Primary School	6	27
St Bees Village Primary School	6	26
Beckermet Church of England School	5	10
Beckermet Church of England School	6	16
Kirkland Church of England Academy	4	5
Kirkland Church of England Academy	6	5
Montreal Church of England Primary School	4	12
Montreal Church of England Primary School	5	11

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Cumberland Walks (Copeland)

January - March 2024

Walk

When

Contact

- Copeland Wellness Service Walks (Multiple Locations)

- Cleator Moor, Egremont and Whitehaven - Weekly
- 10.30AM
- Seascale - Monthly
- 10.30AM

- Copeland Wellness Service
- 01946599998
- cuccg.copelandsp@nhs.net

- Egremont Amblers (CA22 2AF)

- Every Friday
- 11AM

- Chris Wood
- 01946828100
- chriswood1954@btinternet.com

- St. Bees Wellbeing Walks
- Abbey Wood & St. Bees Beach (CA27 0DH)

- Every Wednesday (Alternate Routes)
- 10.20AM

- Claire Hale
- chale025@gmail.com

walks may be subject to change

Postcodes indicate walk meeting point. Walks without postcodes have multiple routes - please visit ramblers.org.uk and search Wellbeing Walks for specific walk dates and more details.

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LOCAL FOCUS HUB INITIATIVES

Safer Streets	Working closely with the Police Crime & Commissioner’s office to support the various rounds of funding public realm initiatives to improve safety and reduce ASB and the fear of crime. This involves bringing together appropriate partners to provide data, attend site visits and submit recommendations.
Hoarding	The Local Focus provides a platform in dealing with the complexities of hoarding and the many different partners needed to support the service user.
Illegal Encampments	Depending on the difficulties of the encampment the Hubs are able to convene appropriate partners in a timely manner to deal with initial short-term and create a referral to manage partner responses.
ASB Case Reviews	Under the revised ASB, Crime and Policing Act 2014 local authorities have a statutory requirement to provide a mechanism to allow victims and organisations the right to review their case of ASB where a threshold has been met. The Local Focus managers are now the single point of contact and have the responsibility to respond to victims, gather information and convene a review meeting bringing together relevant responsible authorities including Police, Councils, Integrated Care Boards and registered Social Housing providers together.
Community Safety Partnership (CSP)	the Local Focus Hubs are one of the thematic groups that report to the CSP, providing updates on priorities set by the CSP in relation to community safety initiatives. Currently involved in Violence Against Women and Girls, ASB and Knife Crime
Operation Respect	Launched in the former Allerdale area and is now being rolled out across Cumberland in 2024. Multiple approach to tackle environmental crime pulling in partners from Local Housing providers, Police, Fire & Rescue, VOSA, DVLA, Environment Agency and many other partners. Listening to communities and taking action to improve and raise the quality of health and wellbeing in hard-to-reach communities.
Talk & Tidy Events	monthly multi-agency litter pick and informal engagement with the public.
Community Alcohol Partnership	multi-agency approach to tackling underage drinking. Considering a holistic approach – the health effects on teenagers, result of ASB and behaviour, underage sales, educating parents, delivering assemblies within schools.
Coordination of annual operations with Police and other partners	Op Roman Candle tackling ASB at Halloween, Test Purchasing, Road Safety Events, Op Sceptre focussing on knife crime)



Help is here this winter

Winter can be a difficult time - existing pressures can be heightened when we have to deal with keeping warm, the costs of Christmas and possible health challenges. We've put together some ways you can find support.

Emergency help

Ways to Welfare

Cumberland Council's helpline offers emergency support with essentials, and advice on other financial support. Call **0300 373 3730** (option 2) or visit the Ways to Welfare webpage at legacy.cumberland.gov.uk/welfare/

Homelessness and housing help

If you are homeless now, or in danger of losing your accommodation, call **0300 373 3730** or email:

- Allerdale: Homelessness1@cumberland.gov.uk
- Carlisle: Homelessness2@cumberland.gov.uk
- Copeland: Homelessness3@cumberland.gov.uk

You can also get help by calling Shelter on **0300 330 1234** or emailing info@shelter.org.uk. In an emergency call **0808 800 4444**.

If you are concerned about someone sleeping rough, a referral can be made via streetlink.org.uk

Domestic abuse

If you are at risk, or experiencing abuse, support is available.

Call Cumbria Police on **101** or visit cumbria.police.uk/report-it to report domestic abuse.

In an emergency, always call 999.

Cumbria-wide services

- **Cumbria Victim Support** - call **0300 3030 157**. Monday - Friday 9am - 6pm.
For 24/7 support call 0808 1689 111 or email cumbria.admin@victimsupport.org.uk
- **Safety Net** - **01228 515859**. www.safetynetuk.org
- **The Bridgeway** - free and confidential out-of-hours advice for victims of rape or sexual assault. Call **0808 118 6432** or email info@thebridgeway.org.uk.

Local support services

- **Gateway 4 Women (Carlisle)** call **01228 212090** or email: admin@cumbriagateway.co.uk
- **Freedom Project (West Cumbria)** for women, men and children affected by domestic abuse. Call **01900 67167** or **07712 117986**, or email admin@freedom-project-westcumbria.org.uk.
- **Women Out West** supports women in West Cumbria. Call **01946 550103** or **07539 780431**, email contactus@womenoutwest.co.uk or go online at: womenoutwest.co.uk.

National services

Galop - for LGBT+ victims of domestic abuse - **0800 9995428**

Mankind - **01823 334244**

Men's Advice Line - **0808 8010327**

The Freedom Programme - Freephone helpline **01942 262 270**

Child Line - **0800 1111**

Bereavement services

The bereavement services team can be contacted on **01228 817390** (Carlisle) **07762 421072** (Allerdale) or **01946 598305** (Copeland).

Food help

Food banks

To get help from a food bank you need to be referred with a voucher. Contact Citizens Advice on **0808 208 2138** for more information.

Food banks are usually closed on Bank Holidays. Please check their websites for details:

- carlislefoodbank.org.uk
- thefoodbank.org.uk
- barrow.foodbank.org.uk

Brampton

Brampton Community Centre, Union Lane, Brampton, CA8 1BX

- Open Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am - 2pm.
- Contact **01697 745000**.

Carlisle

Carlisle Foodbank, 4 Tower Court, West Tower Street, Carlisle CA3 8QT

- Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from noon - 3pm.
- Contact **07512 552449**.

St Barnabus Church, Shady Grove Road, Brookside, Carlisle CA2 7JT

- Open Thursdays from 10am - 11am. Call 01228 538983 to arrange a collection outside these times.

St Luke's Church, Stonegarth, Carlisle

- Open Thursdays from 10am - 11am. Call 01228 538983 to arrange a collection outside these times.

Cockermouth

North Lakes Foodbank, Lorton Street Methodist Church, Cockermouth, CA13 9RH

- Open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10am - noon.

Cornerstone food bank

Denton Street, Carlisle

- Open Monday to Friday 10am - 3pm.
- Closed from 12pm on Friday 22 December 2023 until Tuesday 2 January 2024.
- Contact **01228 549796**.

Egremont

The Hub, The Meeting Place, Egremont, CA22 2DR

- Open Tuesday and Friday 1pm - 3pm.

Maryport

St Mary's Church, Netherhall Corner, Maryport, CA15 6LL

- Open Tuesday and Thursday noon - 2pm and Friday 4pm - 6pm.

Millom

Barrow Foodbank in Millom, Crown Street Baptist Church Hall, Crown Street, Millom, LA18 4AG

- Open Tuesdays and Fridays, 11am - 1pm.
- Contact 01229 774601 (during food bank hours).

Whitehaven

New Life Church, 24 Irish Street, Whitehaven, CA28 7BY

- Open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 11.30am - 1.30pm.

Wigton

Cornerstone Methodist Church, 50 High Street, Wigton, CA7 9PG

- Open Tuesdays and Fridays, 10am - 2pm.

Workington

The Bridge Centre, Central Square, Workington, CA14 3BG

Food support groups

West Cumbria:

Aspatia Dreamscheme

Rainbow Room, King Street, Aspatia, CA7 3ES

- Rainbow Pantry - Fridays, 10am - 5pm.
- Contact: office@dreamscheme.club

Harriston Community Food Pantry

Harriston, Aspatia, CA7 2ED

- Tuesdays noon - 2pm or by prior appointment.
- Contact: **07795 907985** or email harristonvillagehall@gmail.com

Highfield Food Pantry

Highfield Road, Cockermouth, CA13 9JF

Second and fourth Friday of every month from 10.45am - 12.15pm

- Contact: **07901 616436**.

Keswick Area Food Share (KAFS)

Heads Lane, Keswick, CA12 5HD (next to Keswick Library)

- Open Wednesdays, 10am - 1pm.
- Contact: **07876 568596** or email keswickareafoodshare@gmail.com

King's Church Meal Share

The Hub, Market Street, Cockermouth, CA13 0AX

- Open Thursdays 1pm - 2pm for food and prepared meals.
- Contact: **01900 821100** or email admin@kingscc.org

Millom Network Centre Community Shop

Unit 3, Devonshire Road Industrial Estate, Devonshire Road, Millom LA18 4JS

- Open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10am - 2pm.
- Contact: **01229 666025**.

Moorclose Community Centre

Needham Drive, Workington, CA14 3SE

- Regular community food pantries. See [Moorclose Community Centre Facebook page](#) for details.

Northside Community Centre

Trinity Drive, Northside, Workington, CA14 1AX

- Community shop and food pantry. See NCCL Facebook page for details.

The Oval Pantry

The Oval Centre, Salterbeck Drive, Salterbeck, Workington, CA14 5HA

- Third Friday of every month at 11am.
- Contact: **01946 834713** or email theoal@riverside.org.uk

Phoenix Enterprise Centre

Phoenix House, Jacktrees Road, Cleator Moor, CA25 5BD

- Thrift Hub Food Pantry provides fresh and store cupboard food and personal care items.
- Open Monday to Friday 9am - 4.30pm.
- Contact: **01946 813555** or email advice@phoenixenterprisecentre.co.uk

Wigton Food Pantry

St Cuthbert's Church Hall, Wigton, CA7 9HU

- Open Wednesdays 9am - 12.30pm. Coffee Morning 9am - noon.
- See Wigton Food Pantry Facebook page for details.

Workington Derwent Rotary Community Food Pantry

St John's Court, Workington, CA14 3DS

- Community Food Pantry is on the first Friday of each month at 11am.
- Contact: **07505 243677** or email antonymcguckin@talktalk.net

Carlisle area:

Botcherby Pop-up Pantry

Botcherby Community Centre, Victoria Road, Carlisle, CA1 2UE

- Open Wednesdays noon - 4pm.
- Contact: **01228 596992**.

Brampton Community Food

Methodist Church Hall, Main Street, Brampton, CA8 1RS

- Open Fridays 9.30am - 12.30pm.
- Contact **07394 546877**.

Carlisle Community Help

Unit 100, Brunthill Road, Kingstown Industrial Estate, Carlisle, CA3 0EH

- Open Monday to Friday, 9.30am - 4pm.
- Contact: **07394 546877** or email info@carlislecommunityhelp.co.uk

Harraby Campus Pop-up Pantry

Harraby Community Centre, Edgehill Road, Carlisle, CA1 3SN

- Open Monday and Wednesday 1pm - 4pm.
- Contact: **01228 537831**.

Longtown Pop-up Pantry

Longtown Community Centre, Arthuret Road, Longtown, CA6 5SJ

- Open Wednesdays 4pm - 7pm and Friday 9am - 12pm.
- Contact: **01228 791876**.

The Lookout Community Hub

Shady Grove Road, Carlisle, CA2 7LD

- Open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am - 4pm.
- Contact: **07413 258279**.

Oasis Pantry

St Paul's Church, Carlisle, CA1 1BJ

- Open Fridays 10am - 1pm.
- Contact: **07838 349561**.

Petteril Bank Community Fareshare

Petteril Bank Community Centre, Mead Road, Carlisle, CA1 3BX

- Open Wednesdays 1.30pm - 2.30pm.
- Contact: **01228 530190**.

Free meals

108 Mealbank

108 Botchergate, Carlisle, CA1 1SN

- Open Mondays from 6pm - 7.30pm.
- Contact **01228 593256**.

Cornerstone Free Community Breakfast

Denton Street, Carlisle

- Open Wednesdays, between 8am to 9am
- Contact **01228 549796**.

Wednesday Breakfast

Church of Scotland, Chapel Street, Carlisle, CA1 1JA

- Open Wednesdays, 8am - 9.30am

Yewdale Community Centre Home Hub

Yewdale Community Centre, Hutton Way, Carlisle, CA2 7TH

- Contact **01228 591270** for opening hours.

Free school meals

If you already qualify for free school meals, you will automatically receive a voucher for the school holidays. Your school will buy the vouchers on your behalf.

If you have any questions about holiday vouchers, please speak to your child's school.

Mental health support

If someone is in a mental health crisis and needs urgent help, they can call their local Crisis Team 24 hours a day, 7 days a week:

North Cumbria - **0800 6522 865**. Those who are deaf/hard of hearing should text **0779 565 6226**.

South Cumbria - **0800 953 0110**.

The **Samaritans** are available 24/7 on **116 123** for people who need to talk to someone urgently. Find out more at: www.samaritans.org.

Additional mental health support

Kooth is an online service for people aged 11 - 18: www.kooth.com

Mindline Cumbria offers support via phone, text or email. Call 0300 561 0000, email info@mindlinecumbria.org or go online at: www.mindlinecumbria.org

Lighthouse - **0300 561 0000**. Open 5pm - 11pm every night. Crisis support based in Carlisle, for people in Carlisle and Eden. Appointments only - call **0300 561 0000** to arrange.

Financial help

Citizens Advice - free advice on many issues including debt, benefits, employment, energy and housing.

- Allerdale: call **01900 604735** or email advice@citizensadviceallerdale.org.uk
citizensadviceallerdale.org.uk

- Carlisle: call **0800 278 7844** www.cca.org.uk

- Citizens Advice National Advice Line **0800 278 7959**

Worrying About Money - the Independent Food Aid Network's step by step guide to finding support with financial issues in Cumberland. www.worryingaboutmoney.co.uk/Cumberland

Credit unions

Credit unions provide savings, loans and other services to members.

Carlisle and District Credit Union - **01228 594007** or email info@carlislecu.com

Pennine Credit Union (PCCU) - **01282 691333** or email enquiries@pccu.co.uk

Whitehaven, Egremont and District Credit Union (WEDCU) - **01946 66755** or email info@wedcu.co.uk

Help for families

Family Action provides support for families with children aged 0 - 19 years.

Allerdale contact: 07815 687287.

- North Allerdale Children's Centre, 10-12 Wampool Place, Wigton, CA7 9SA call **016973 43870**.
- West Allerdale Children's Centre, Ennerdale Road, Maryport, CA15 8HN call **01900 819190**.

Copeland contact: 01946 64600.

- South Whitehaven Centre, Whinlatter Road, Whitehaven, CA28 8BN.
- Millom Children's Centre, Lapstone Road, Millom, LA18 4LP.

Carlisle contact: 07734 003789 or email: Carlisle@family-action.org.uk

- Carlisle West Children's Centre, Morton, Wigton Road, Carlisle, CA2 6JP.
- Newtown Children's Centre, Shady Grove, Carlisle, CA2 7LE.
- Petheril Bank Child and Family Centre, Burnett Road, Carlisle, CA1 3BX.
- Longtown Child and Family Support Centre, Mary Street, Longtown, CA6 5UF.

FamilyLine Free support to adult family members on all aspects of family life. Call **0808 802 6666**, text **07537 404282**, email familyline@family-action.org.uk or visit family-action.org.uk to webchat. Monday to Friday 9am - 9pm. Outside these hours there is a text crisis line.

Help for the over 55s

Age UK provide free information on issues including benefits, energy bills, daily living aids, social isolation and housing.

Call **0800 678 1602** between 8am and 7pm.

Copeland Age and Advice Service helps over 55s in Copeland and is open Monday to Thursday 9am - 5pm and Friday 9am - 4pm.

Call **01946 552166** or email referrals@caasteam.com

Winter Warmth Fund - This is for people aged over 60 who have less than £5,000 savings. If you get the state pension (and/or pension credit), or struggle in winter due to heating costs, you can apply for a Cumbria Community Foundation grant of £200.

Contact:

- Age UK Carlisle and Eden **01228 536673**
- Copeland Age & Advice Service **01946 552166**
- Age UK West Cumbria (Allerdale) **01900 844670**

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South Cumberland Community Panel Investing in our Neighbourhoods

Meeting Date – 13 March 2024

Lead Officer – Paul Musgrave

1.0 Purpose / Summary

- 1.1 The report sets out the current position of the Neighbourhood Investment Fund allocation to this Community Panel as agreed by the Cumberland Council Executive. Where they have been received, this report presents investment applications for consideration and approval from the budget allocation.
- 1.2 This report also presents the draft Neighbourhood Investment Plan for consideration and progress against it will be reported to future meetings through this report.
- 1.3 The work of the Community Panel contributes to the achievement of the Council Plan 2023 - 2027 vision:
 - Cumberland Council takes a fresh approach to the delivery of inclusive services that are shaped by our residents and communities.
 - By enabling positive outcomes for health and wellbeing, prosperity and the environment we will fulfil the potential of our people and our area.
- 1.4 The Council Plan aims to improve the health and wellbeing of our residents through the following priorities:
 - Addressing inequalities
 - Local economies that work for local people
 - Environmental resilience and the climate emergency
 - Delivering excellent public services
- 1.5 This Community Panel has developed its own local priorities which were shared and discussed with our local communities and agreed formally by this Community Panel.

- 1.6 They have been used by the Community Panel to inform the development of the draft Neighbourhood Investment Plan and in assessing investment applications.
- Improving Health and Wellbeing
 - Accessibility and connectivity
 - Supporting children, families and young people
 - Improving the local living environment

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 Members note the contents of the report.
- 2.2 Members to consider and discuss the agreed priorities to better understand where the focus needs to be going forward.
- 2.3 Members agree the Neighbourhood Investment Plan (NIP), as presented up to 31 March 2025
- 2.4 Members agree to review the NIP at each Community Panel meeting.
- 2.5 Members are asked to agree the officer recommended amount of £2,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Gosforth Parish Council towards Stage 2 Detailed Design phase for improvements to Gosforth Public Hall.
- 2.6 Members are asked to agree the officer recommended amount of £589 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Friends of Egremont Castle towards a community event in Egremont Castle.
- 2.7 Members are asked to agree the officer recommended amount of £8,800 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Shackles Off Youth Project towards a pilot NEET prevention programme.
- 2.8 Members are asked to agree the officer recommended amount of £5,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Millom Network Centre towards upgrading the kitchen facilities.
- 2.9 Members are asked to agree the officer recommended amount of £6,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Millom Town Council towards installing solar lighting in Millom Park.

3.0 Background

- 3.1 The Neighbourhood Investment Fund (NIF) budget allocation to this Community Panel is £64,523 **appendix 1** sets out the current position of this fund.
- 3.2 This allocation is intended to enable the Community Panel to plan activity in their communities through investment.
- 3.3 It was recommended and agreed by the Cumberland Council Executive in the report 'Devolution of Community Funds to Community Panels' presented 30 May 2023;

That all the Community Panels have the delegated authority to approve grant applications funded from a new 'Neighbourhood Investment Fund'.

It is proposed the NIF be managed by the Senior Manager, Community Services in conjunction with the Assistant Director, Communities and Localities.

Initially it is proposed that all grant (investment) applications go to each panel for agreement regardless of value. This will be reviewed within the first 12 months.

3.4 Now that the Community Panel has formally agreed it's priorities, the Members will assess applications against the locally agreed priorities which are:

- Improving health and wellbeing
- Accessibility and connectivity
- Supporting children, families and young people
- Improving the local living environment

3.5 In addition to the priorities, there are a number of criteria and rules that must be adhered to as this relates to public funds at **appendix 2**. There may be occasion where applications are received that do not fit with the local priorities or meet the funding criteria. In these cases, the applications will not be presented to the Community Panel. However, the Council works with other partners and will often be able to advise on other funding streams or will support a group so that they can meet the funding criteria.

3.6 Potential applicants are always advised to speak with the relevant Community Development Officer (CDO) prior to submitting an application. The CDO can offer advice and for this panel area, the CDO is Liz Nichol email liz.nichol@cumberland.gov.uk.

4.0 Investment Applications

4.1 Gosforth Parish Council Public Hall have applied for £10,800 against a total project cost of £72,450.

This is towards enabling Stage 2 Detailed Design phase for improvements to Gosforth Public Hall.

Members are asked to agree an amount of £2,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Gosforth Parish Council Public Hall

This meets the following Panel Priorities:

- Accessibility and connectivity
- Supporting children, families and young people

4.2 Friends of Egremont Castle have applied for £1,942 against a total project cost of £2,427.

This is towards holding a historic community event in Egremont Castle.

Members are asked to agree an amount of £589 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Friends of Egremont Castle.

This meets the following Panel Priorities:

- Improving Health and Wellbeing
- Supporting children, families and young people

- 4.3 Shackles Off have applied for an amount of £8,800 against a total project cost of £8,800.

This is to introduce a pilot NEET prevention programme to support young people in South Cumberland area.

Members are asked to agree an amount of £8,800 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Shackles Off Youth Project.

This meets the following Panel Priorities:

- Improving Health and Wellbeing
- Supporting children, families and young people

- 4.4 Millom Network Centre have applied for an amount of £6,000 against a total project cost of £10,651.

This is towards upgrading the kitchen facilities.

Members are asked to agree an amount of £5,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Millom Network Centre.

This meets the following Panel Priorities:

- Improving Health and Wellbeing
- Supporting children, families and young people

- 4.5 Millom Town Council have applied for an amount of £12,229 against a total project cost of £12,229.

This is towards installing solar lighting in Millom Park.

Members are asked to agree an amount of £6,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Millom Town Council.

This meets the following Panel Priorities:

- Accessibility and connectivity
- Supporting children, families and young people
- Improving the local living environment

- 4.6 Appended to this report are the details of investment applications, for approval by South Cumberland Community Panel at **appendices 3-7**.

Investments to note (approved outside Community Panel)

- 4.7 CCGA 1993-24 Orgill primary school for £992 towards road safety equipment

Neighbourhood Investment Plan

- 4.8 The draft Neighbourhood Investment Plan for this Panel is attached at **appendix 8**. This first version sets out the framework around Community Panels and the Community Network together with the agreed priorities. This will ensure there are very clear links between what has been identified as priority areas; where the Community Panel invest and what they invest in.
- 4.9 The priorities have been developed over the past 6 months and there have been a number of engagement sessions to complement a survey about whether these felt right for this panel area. The Council will continue to speak with communities about these priorities in order to refine them and identify relevant activity in addition funding.
- 4.10 The Neighbourhood Investment Plan, as presented identifies some activity already and although Members are being asked to agree this as the final version, it will remain a live, working document to reflect ongoing conversations with the communities and other stakeholders.

Easter Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF)

- 4.11 The Easter HAF programme, organised by Cumberland Council in collaboration with local partners and community organisations, provides children who are in receipt of benefits related Free School Meals with the opportunity to join fun holiday activities for free and receive a nutritious meal each day.
- 4.12 The HAF activities available during the school Easter holidays will be delivered by ten providers in the South Cumberland area from Frizington to Millom

Provider	Ward	Ages	Total Days of Activities	Allocation £
Body Smart Sports	Cleator Moor	5-16	4	£2,903
Cumbria Heavy Horses	Millom Without	5-16	4	£4,156.07
Egremont Youth Partnership	Egremont	5-16	4	£3,145.28
Frizington Nursery	Frizington	5-8	9	£2,958.30
GLL Cleator Moor	Cleator Moor	5-10	4	£1,920
Howgill Family Centre	Cleator Moor	5-11	4	£3,000
Kepplewray Centre	Millom Without	8-16	4	£2,690
Millom Recreation Centre	Millom	5-12	4	£3,600
Shackles Off Youth	Millom	8-16	4	£3,031.31
Shackles Off Youth	Gosforth & Seascale	8-16	2	£2,146
Total investment				£29,549.96

4.13 Investment awards made by Active Cumbria:

Organisation	Project / Activity	£
Reconditioning Fund		
Caring About You CIC, Copeland	Yoga4Health - a 10 week pilot course will be run in Cleator Moor starting March 4 th	£3,371.00
The Hiking Household	The Hiking Household have produced 6 maps (one for each former locality) throughout Cumbria for us. (Total project investment £3,565) Maps are aimed at older adults, showing a trail and highlighting where the benches are with a different activity (exercise, mindfulness suggestion at each point). The map is in Cleator Moor and we are holding a launch walk event on March 21 st in collaboration with the wellbeing service	£595.00
Opening School Facilities		
West Lakes Academy	Climbing wall leader training for staff. Climbing equipment for students to use for an after school climbing club	£8,000.00 (Year 2)

- 4.14 **Millom School Mountain Bike Club** – £6,120 was awarded by the Active Travel to school team, at Active Cumbria to purchase 12 bikes. The aim of the project was to develop an interest and enthusiasm for mountain biking amongst students and to support the development of a local club, which will benefit both the students themselves and the wider community.

5.0 Options

Alternative Options Considered

- 5.1 There was an option not to put forward the applications for investment but they meet the criteria in place.
- 5.2 Members may review and evaluate the recommendations. Members may choose to approve, vary, defer or reject the recommendations.

Risks

- 5.3 The risk associated with this report is that allocations proposed do not meet the criteria for investments. This is mitigated through officer experience, processes in place and awarding investments in a public forum.

Consultation

- 5.4 There has been no consultation associated with this report.

Legal Comment

5.5 No legal issues arise directly from the report. Any legal issues arising from the delivery of specific projects will be dealt with as they arise.

Finance Comment

5.6 The Neighbourhood Investment Fund is part of Communities and Localities within the Public Health and Communities Directorate.

5.7 The Neighbourhood Investment Fund budget for 2023/24 is £0.542m which is allocated to fund the 8 Community Panels to the values outlined on the Executive Report dated 30th May 2023.

5.8 The 2023/24 budget allocation to the South Cumberland Community Panel is £64,523.

5.9 Approval is sought to agree a proposed funding allocation of £22,389.

5.10 It is recommended that the funding allocation is approved as it is within the confines of the available remaining 2023/24 budget as shown in the table below:

South Cumberland Community Panel		
2023/24 Budget Allocation		£64,523
Minus Approved Investments:	CCGA 1901-23	-£620
	CCGA 1980-23	-1,300
	CCGA 1981-23	-1,089
	CCGA 1982-23	-12,500
	CCGA 1993-24	-992
Minus proposed Investments:	CCGA 1978-23	-2,000
	CCGA 2018-24	-589
	CCGA 2003-24	-8,800
	CCGA 2019-24	-5,000
	CCGA 2046-24	-6,000
Balance of budget remaining:		£25,633

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Contact Officer:

CDO: Liz Nichol, Community Development Officer

Appendices:

Appendix 1 Neighbourhood Investment Fund Current Position.

Appendix 2 Community Panel Investment Criteria

Appendix 3 Gosforth Parish Council Public Hall

Appendix 4 Friends of Egremont Castle

Appendix 5 Shackles Off Youth Project

Appendix 6 Millom Network Centre

Appendix 7 Millom Town Council

Appendix 8 South Cumberland Neighbourhood Investment Plan Draft

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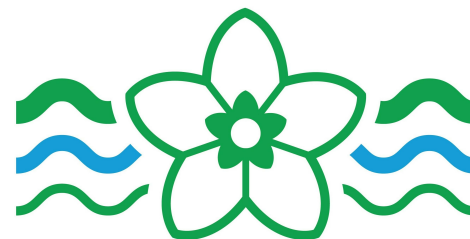
	Allocation	Amount Paid	Pending Agreement	Remaining Balance
SOUTH CUMBERLAND	£ 64,523.00	£ 15,509.00	£ 23,381.00	£ 25,633.00
TOTALS	£ 64,523.00	£ 15,509.00	£ 23,381.00	£ 25,633.00

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The following criteria must be met in order to be eligible for funding under this community Investment scheme:

- a. Investments will be given only to voluntary and non-profit making groups and organisations to support community initiatives that benefit residents in their local area.
- b. Investments should support the achievement of the Council's Council Plan as agreed by the Cumberland Council. In addition, projects and initiatives should fit with locally identified priorities or plans for example, ward profiles, community plans, neighbourhood plans, parish plans etc.
- c. Investments will be awarded for one-off project costs for example, purchase of equipment, building work, refurbishment costs etc.
- d. Investment applications will be considered for non-recurring expenditure only, therefore operational running costs, general maintenance costs (energy bills, insurance) will not be funded.
- e. Applications will be considered from constituted groups only, we do not accept applications from individuals.
- f. Applications for less than 100% of costs are preferred and groups are advised to try other avenues of funding in addition to this fund.
- g. We will not normally accept more than one application for funding per organisation or group in any one financial year. We may accept more than one application from the same group for clearly identifiable different projects in the same financial year.
- h. Projects from schools, churches or other religious groups cannot be funded unless they have a clear wider non-religious community benefit for example, a church hall that is used by a local community group, a play area also open for public use, etc.
- i. Organisations or groups that operate a policy of exclusivity or have a closed membership and is thereby not open to any member of the public will not be considered for funding.
- j. We cannot fund community events if they are intended to pass on any surplus income to other organisations, for example, concerts with benefits to 'local charities'.
- k. Investment applications will not be considered from political organisations.
- l. Investments will not be awarded retrospectively, for example, investments will only be awarded for work or resources still to be purchased at the time the application is made.
- m. Organisations or groups with outstanding Project Achievement Report (PAR) will not be considered for future funding.

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Forum Area or Division:	Copeland - South Cumberland Community Panel
Reference:	CCGA/1978-23
Group Name:	Gosforth Parish Council
Community Development Officer:	Liz Nichol
Community Development Assistant:	Joanne McKenna
Amount Requested:	£10,800.00
Total Project Cost:	£72,450.00

APPLICATION REPORT

Application Summary

Gosforth Parish Council is the sole trustee of Gosforth Public Hall which was donated to the village in 1930. The Public Hall is managed by the Gosforth Public Hall Council of Management which is a registered charity. The Gosforth Public Hall is a Grade II listed building, built in 1628 and extended in 1930. The older part of the building operates as the Library Link, run by volunteers and opens three times a week, with an upstairs supper room and the extension is the main hall.

The Gosforth Public Hall requires major work to bring into good repair and refurbishment to improve the kitchen, toilet facilities and access improvements for less mobile users. The Public Hall is well used with 26 activities including user groups such as U3A, Gosforth Amateur Dramatics, Bowls, Yoga, Digital Skills and the Library Link.

Phase 1 Options Appraisal to agree a design concept was funded by Mid Copeland Community Investment Fund and now they are looking at funding the cost of Phase 2 Detailed design, BAT survey, Planning Permission and Tender documents to obtain constructors estimate. The request is for 20% of the Phase 2 costs., an approach to Mid Copeland Community Investment Fund will be made for the remaining 80% of these project costs.

Key Themes Met

This fits with the Council priority providing access to services.

Meets the South Cumberland Community priorities aims of improving wellbeing and improving the local living environment.

Number of People Benefiting

100 +

Breakdown of Project Costs

Detailed Design, Planning Tender documents £54,000 20% Request = £10,800

Bat Emergence & re-entry surveys x 2 £3,999

Planning permission £231

Listed Building Consent £0

Admin Hours 130 hrs x £16.50 per hour £2,145 These costs are now covered.

Sub total £60,375

10 % Contingency £12,075

Total Phase 2 project cost £72,450

The investment application has been amended to reflect 20% of the Detailed Design Tender quote of £54,000 which amounts to funding request of £10,800

Previous CCC Funding

no

Grant Amount Recommended

£2,000

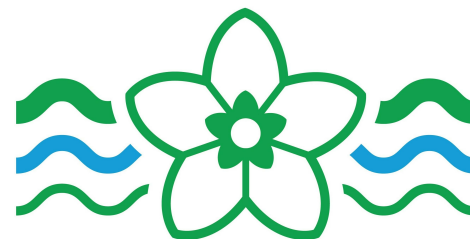
Officer comments

Recommendation , a suggested contribution of £2,000 towards the detailed design, subject to the other forms of funding been agreed which enable the appointment of the Architects to proceed to this stage.

Comments from Elected Member(s) / Neighbourhood Forum / Grant Panel

Member Signature:

Date:



Forum Area or Division:	Copeland - South Cumberland Community Panel
Reference:	CCGA/2018-24
Group Name:	Friends of Egremont Castle
Community Development Officer:	Liz Nichol
Community Development Assistant:	Joanne McKenna
Amount Requested:	£1,942.00
Total Project Cost:	£2,427.00

APPLICATION REPORT

Application Summary

Friends of Egremont Castle are a charitable constituted volunteer group who wish to host an historical event in the grounds of Egremont Castle to raise awareness of this community space and the historical culture. They have approached Red Wyverns to carry out medieval re-enactment display as part of a free community family event which includes educational experience, run by volunteers dressing up and demonstrating making items available from the period. Some equipment to be purchased include reusable things to facilitate events in the future but also include one off costs such as Display team fee, logs to create fire for skills/Coin making, bread baking and spit/charcoal for BBQ to prepare refreshments available to purchase. They are working with other groups such as Florence Arts, De Lucy Centre, Cadets and local schools.

There will be no entrance fee but donations will be accepted in collection buckets. Funds collected will be used to enable future events held in the castle ground to be sustainable.

Key Themes Met

Improving health and wellbeing and supporting children, families and young people.

Number of People Benefiting

100 +

Breakdown of Project Costs

One off Costs - Red Wyverns Display act £900, Logs £180 Charcoal £150, licence £21 , toilet hire £240 , helper refreshments £100 = £1591

Reusable costs for multi use items

dressing up costumes £210 , Flags, Hi Viz waistcoats £150, Children's stickers and resources £200, Donations buckets & people counter £29 = £589

Contingency £247 -(deducted)

Total costs for planned project £2427

Previous CCC Funding

none

Grant Amount Recommended

589

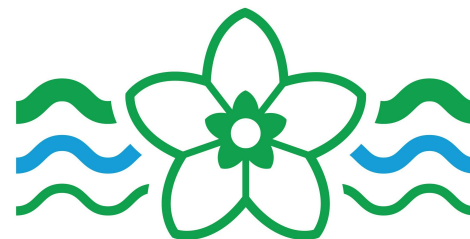
Officer comments

Recommend support for items that can be used again at future events to ensure that the group can offer sustainable events going forward .

Comments from Elected Member(s) / Neighbourhood Forum / Grant Panel

Member Signature:

Date:



Forum Area or Division:	Copeland - South Cumberland Community Panel
Reference:	CCGA/2003-24
Group Name:	Shackles Off Youth Project
Community Development Officer:	Liz Nichol
Community Development Assistant:	Joanne McKenna
Amount Requested:	£8,800.00
Total Project Cost:	£8,800.00

APPLICATION REPORT

Application Summary

Shackles Off works with children and young people aged six to nineteen years and twenty-four if SEND. The organisation has a community strand which involves working with all age groups from expectant mothers at baby and bumps right through to children, teenagers, young adults, and the elderly in a variety of diverse ways, groups, and provision to meet the need of the local community in Millom and Seascale.

Shackles Off are working with a group of young people in the Millom area who may be from disadvantage families living with poverty, with a variety of vulnerabilities around their home lives such as living with domestic violence , drug , alcohol issues or Neuro-divergent and find themselves very quickly overwhelmed and frustrated. This group have either extremely low attendance to school or are school refusers at risk of exclusion or multiple exclusions leading down the path of missed education and qualifications for later life. Shackles Off have managed to build trusting relationships over the last few years with this group and would like to staff a weekly programme targeting those not in education or and at risk of exclusions. This group displays particularly challenging behaviours and attitudes towards adults in authority and already known to us from services . This funding would allow a new Pilot programme for 12 months that would offer weekly 3-hour session in Millom with two experienced staff working face to face with the hard-to-reach individuals in small groups and 1:1sessions. Young people would receive help and support while learning essential life skills and gaining a nationally accredited ASDAN award. This would consist of two small groups for 1 hour each and 1 hour of 1:1. Part of this programme would have the offer of a trip as a quarterly incentive for the young people to engage ensuring that while excluded from school they still have the opportunity to take part in excellent services in an environment which is tailored to their needs, learning and development. The group took would work together during quarterly trips/ team building exercises to develop and improve essential life skills such as :- listening ,effective communication problem solving adaptability and resilience.

Shackles Off would like to implement a 12-month Pilot NEET programme to capture those aged from 11-19 years who are at risk of exclusion through low attendance school refusal and other identified problematic behaviours and improve their life choices in the future. Keeping the young person involved in education and positive engagement will be the priority to help limit the chance of missed opportunity and work towards improving future employability skills. It will also improve and help to reduce anti social behaviours in the community.

Key Themes Met

Supporting Children, Families and young people and Improving health and wellbeing. This programme will support these vulnerable young people back into education, improve skills and future employment opportunities and so life choices.

Number of People Benefiting

10- 50

Breakdown of Project Costs

Staffing costs

49x 3 hour sessions x 2 staff. 1 staff at £13.34 per hour and 1 staff at £12.69 per hour =£3826.41

4 x quarterly trips these will be organised planned and budgeted via young people and staff during sessions (incentive to group to engage in the programme) = 2 staff for 12 hours 1x staff at £13.34 (senior) and 1 staff at £12.69 =£1249.44

Trips x4= £2000

Activities and resources = £1000

Asdan registration with option to certificate all awards =£725

Total project costs £8,800

Previous CCC Funding

no Cumberland Council Funding

Grant Amount Recommended

8,800

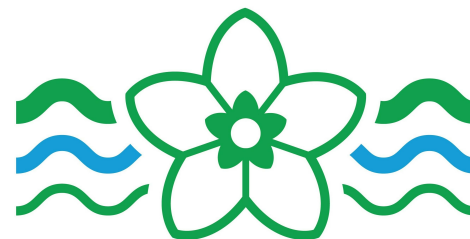
Officer comments

Recommend support to provide early prevention and early intervention to help support these young people back into education and improve future opportunities. Shackles Off have a good record of supporting vulnerable children and are working with the new Family Hub to be based in Whitehaven.

Comments from Elected Member(s) / Neighbourhood Forum / Grant Panel

Member Signature:

Date:



Forum Area or Division:	Copeland - South Cumberland Community Panel
Reference:	CCGA/2019-24
Group Name:	Millom Network Centre
Community Development Officer:	Liz Nichol
Community Development Assistant:	Joanne McKenna
Amount Requested:	£6,000.00
Total Project Cost:	£10,651.00

APPLICATION REPORT

Application Summary

The existing kitchen is old and worn out so is ready for upgrade as this is vital for the Meals on Wheels service and the Men's lunch Club, a social inclusion group to support health and welfare. New equipment and an upgrade in the Kitchen facilities would allow increase in capacity and efficiency for the local community as well as clients of Millom Network Centre increasing not only production but expand the range of food. They produce over 90 meals per week for Meals on Wheels which are delivered by volunteer drivers who carry out basic welfare checks and can flag up concerns to the appropriate key contacts such as ICC, social prescribers and care providers.

They aim to expand the service and offer new services such as a Ladies Lunch club, as well as community meals increasing the overall number of meals provided to approximately 350.

Key Themes Met

Improving health and wellbeing and access to services.

Number of People Benefiting

100 +

Breakdown of Project Costs

Cater-Kwik Ltd total quote for £25,065

Equipment from alternative suppliers such as Adexa total £10,651

The have approached Screw Fix for match funding to cover approximately half - £5,000 of the capital costs of the total £10,651 spend.

Previous CCC Funding

£4,000 Sellafield poverty funding distributed via Cumberland Council

Grant Amount Recommended

£5,000

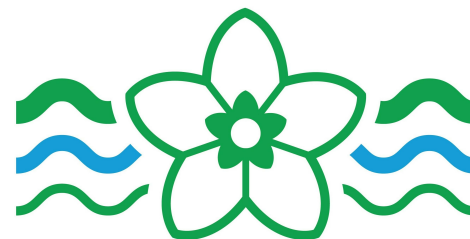
Officer comments

Recommend support towards the Kitchen upgrade to enable valued community meals service to continue and expand services offered from Millom Network Centre.

Comments from Elected Member(s) / Neighbourhood Forum / Grant Panel

Member Signature:

Date:



Forum Area or Division:	Copeland - South Cumberland Community Panel
Reference:	CCGA/2046-24
Group Name:	Millom Town Council
Community Development Officer:	Liz Nichol
Community Development Assistant:	Joanne McKenna
Amount Requested:	£12,229.00
Total Project Cost:	£12,229.00

APPLICATION REPORT

Application Summary

Millom Town Council have been improving Millom Park and restructuring the Sensory Garden but require some lighting as the area is unlit. This would enhance the area and encourage people to use the park as it benefits both safety and security. They have already install CCTV but the addition of lights would make this more efficient as it enable this capture any vandalism and deter anti-social behaviour. Millom Town Council have identified some solar lights which are innovative and energy efficient so are looking to purchase six lights of the same model to some in use in the Millom Without parish. The solar lights would enhance the park, be sustainable , better for the environment and assist in reducing the carbon footprint.

Key Themes Met

Improving the local living environment enhancing the park and improving the safety and security.
This would also make the park more accessible and support health and wellbeing.

Number of People Benefiting

100 +

Breakdown of Project Costs

2 Quotes for 6 lights including columns and installation
Sunlit £11,472
Prolectic £12,229 - preferred model

Previous CCC Funding

No Cumberland Council, Previous CCC Environment funding for Trees, benches 2023 and Gazebos 2022

Grant Amount Recommended

6,000

Officer comments

Recommend support of 50% of the costs for this project which meets our priorities and will have a positive and sustainable impact on the park and local community

Comments from Elected Member(s) / Neighbourhood Forum / Grant Panel

Member Signature:

Date:



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SOUTH CUMBERLAND NEIGHBOURHOOD INVESTMENT PLAN 2024-2025

Cumberland Council - Vision and Values

Cumberland Council Plan 2023-2027 sets out what we will focus on in the first four years, how we want our new council to work and what residents can expect from us.

The council have identified the following priorities for 2023-2027:

- Addressing inequalities
- Local economies that work for local people
- Environmental resilience and the climate emergency
- Delivering excellent public services

We want to take a fresh approach to the delivery of inclusive services. Services that will be shaped by our residents and communities. By focusing on health and wellbeing, we will unlock the potential in our communities – supporting the environment and driving investment.

We will be:

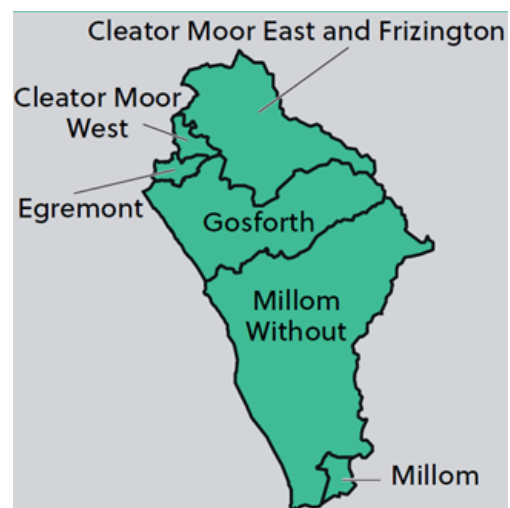
- Ambitious
- Collaborative
- Compassionate
- Empowering
- Innovative

South Cumberland Community Panel

Community Panels are a new concept that was introduced with the start of the Cumberland Council. The council has eight Community Panels operating on a small footprint, contributing to the achievement of the council plan while focusing on local need. Each Community Panel has also set their own priorities specific to the geographical area covered by the panel.

The South Cumberland Community Panel represents the wards of:

- Cleator Moor East and Frizington
- Cleator Moor West
- Egremont
- Gosforth
- Millom
- Millom Without



South Cumberland Community Network

It is the intention of Cumberland Council that our communities will be listened to and will help shape services. To help with this, each Community Panel has a Community Network as part of their engagement with communities. The Network is a series of interactions which range from small topical conversations to larger events open to all. The Network is anyone with an interest in the panel area, whether that be residents, partners, the voluntary or community sector or businesses. Network activities will develop and support the delivery of the South Cumberland Neighbourhood Investment Plan.

The Community has helped to set the priorities for the area up to 2025, which form the basis for this Neighbourhood Investment Plan and subsequent influence and investment.

South Cumberland Neighbourhood Investment Plan

The Neighbourhood Investment Plan sets out the panel priorities and key focus areas identified by the members and communities. This demonstrates the council's commitment for services to be shaped by our residents and communities. Creating a partnership approach to addressing local priorities and supporting investment within the local area will help to deliver locally and support local need.



The South Cumberland priorities for 2023-2025 have been identified as:

- Improving Health and Wellbeing
- Accessibility and connectivity
- Improving local living environment
- Supporting children, families and young people

South Cumberland Neighbourhood Investment Fund

Cumberland Council have allocated funding to help the panel directly support the achievement of the priorities. This is available for the Community Panel to invest in organisations who in turn deliver benefits within their community.

South Cumberland priorities and key focus areas

Throughout engagement on the panel priorities, residents identified focus areas which were important to them. Below identifies the top focus areas for each priority.

Priority – Accessibility and connectivity

- Sustainable transport
- Strengthen communication on activity within the Panel area.
- Support for community facilities and new activities
- Improving digital connectivity

Priority – Health and wellbeing

- Sociable activities for all
- Sports and physical activities
- Education around healthy eating and access to affordable healthy food

Priority – Improving local living environment

- Enhancing natural spaces and reducing carbon consumption
- Parks, sports grounds, and recreation
- Promoting pride in your local area and improving safety

Priority - Supporting children, families and young people

- Affordable access to youth provision
- Education, training, and career development
- Supporting development for new activities

South Cumberland Neighbourhood Investment Plan - Action Plan

Date Identified	Action	Priority	Responsible	Timescale	Date Complete
01/04/2024	Distribution of the South Cumberland Neighbourhood Investment Fund	All	Community Development Team	31/03/2025	
01/04/2024	Ongoing network activity, including activity based on the panel priorities.	All	Community Development Team	31/03/2025	

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