



Lakes to Sea Community Panel

Investing in our Neighbourhoods

Meeting Date – 21 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. They have been used by the Community Panel to inform the development of the draft Neighbourhood Investment Plan and in assessing investment applications.

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 that an amount of £2,545 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Maryport Rescue towards equipment to add to the existing drone to advance communication to people on the ground.
- 2.4 Members agree that an amount of £4,349 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to The Centre Ewanrigg towards upgrading the kitchen area and replacing external doors.
- 2.5 Members agree that an amount of £2,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Keswick Bee Keepers towards a new storage facility.
- 2.6 Members agree that an amount of £4,349 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Maryport Boys and Girls Club towards replacing external doors.
- 2.7 Members agree that an amount of £2,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Lakeland Rowing Club towards purchasing a lightweight canoe for communal use mainly for juniors.
- 2.8 Members agree that an amount of £1,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Cockermouth Festivals Group towards new reusable banners for the Cockermouth Alive Festival.
- 2.9 Members agree that an amount of £4,348 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Plumbland Village Hall towards an internal refurbishment including replacing fire doors as well as other upgrades.
- 2.10 Members agree that an amount of £8,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Keswick Rugby Club towards new changing rooms as part of a new club house.
- 2.11 Members agree the Neighbourhood Investment Plan (NIP) up to 31 March 2025.
- 2.12 Members agree to review the NIP at each Community Panel meeting.

3.0 Background

- 3.1 The Neighbourhood Investment Fund (NIF) budget allocation to this Community Panel is £60,184.00 **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 its priorities, the Members will assess applications against the locally agreed priorities which are:

- Transport for the Community
- Community Health and Wellbeing
- Community Involvement
- Community Resilience

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 see **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 Sue O'Neill, Lakestosea@cumberland.gov.uk.

4.0 Investment Applications

4.1 Appended to this report are the details of investment applications, for approval by Lakes to Sea Community Panel **appendices 3-10**.

4.2 Members agree that an amount of £2,545 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Maryport Rescue towards equipment to add to the existing drone to advance communication to people on the ground to enhance searches.

This project meets the following priorities:-

- Community Health and Wellbeing
- Community Resilience

4.3 Members agree that an amount of £4,349 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to The Centre Ewanrigg towards upgrading the kitchen area by replacing a worktop and two external doors.

This project meets the following priorities:-

- Community Health and Wellbeing
- Community Involvement

4.4 Members agree that an amount of £2,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Keswick Bee Keepers towards a new storage facility to replace the existing facility which is not fit for purpose.

This project meets the following priorities:-

- Community Health and Wellbeing
- Community Involvement
- Community Resilience

4.5 Members agree that an amount of £4,349 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Maryport Boys and Girls Club towards replacing two main entrance doors and the emergency fire exit door.

This project meets the following priorities:-

- Community Health and Wellbeing
- Community Involvement

4.6 Members agree that an amount of £2,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Lakeland Rowing Club towards purchasing a lightweight canoe for communal use mainly for juniors 12-18 age group.

This project meets the following priority:-

- Community Health and Wellbeing

4.7 Members agree that an amount of £1,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Cockermouth Festivals Group towards new reusable banners for advertising the Cockermouth Alive Festival each year.

This project meets the following priorities:-

- Community Health and Wellbeing
- Community Involvement

4.8 Members agree that an amount of £4,348 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Plumbland Village Hall towards an internal refurbishment including replacing fire doors, upgrading flooring and fitting a new kitchen.

This project meets the following priorities:-

- Community Health and Wellbeing
- Community Involvement

4.9 Members agree that an amount of £8,000 is allocated from the Neighbourhood Investment Fund to Keswick Rugby Club towards new changing rooms as part of a project to build a new club house.

This project meets the following priorities:-

- Community Health and Wellbeing
- Community Involvement
- Community Resilience

Investments to note (approved outside Community Panel)

- 4.10 CCGA/2027-24 Dearham Brownies £262 from the investment fund. **Appendix 11**
- 4.11 CCGA/2040-24 Cockermouth Civic Trust £313 from the investment fund. **Appendix 12**
- 4.12 CCGA/2055-24 Maryport Rotary £422 from the investment fund. **Appendix 13**

Neighbourhood Investment Plan

- 4.13 The draft Neighbourhood Investment Plan for this Panel area is attached at **appendix 14**.
- 4.14 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.
- 4.15 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.
- 4.16 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 to be discussed at each Panel meeting.

Easter Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF)

- 4.17 The 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.

4.18 The following community organisations will be offering Easter HAF sessions in the Lakes to Sea Community Panel area.

Provider	Ages	Total Days of Activities	Allocation
Blencathra Outdoor Centre	8-16	4	£7,448.62
Sport Works (SEND Provision)	5-16	2	£1,460.00
Sportscool (Inclusive Provision)	4-11	4	£1,800.00
Stepping Stones Nursery	5-10	4	£1,842.00
Total Allocation in Lakes to Sea Community Panel Area			12,550.62

Active Cumbria

4.19 Investment awards made by Active Cumbria:

Organisation	Project/Activity	£
Re-Conditioning Fund		
Age UK West Cumbria	Care to Move Project – Funding split between Re-conditioning Fund and Together Fund for Care to Move staff training.	£6264
Home Group	Funding to support the delivery of physical activity within 8 older peoples living schemes throughout West Cumbria.	£5960
Opening School Facilities Fund		
Netherhall Secondary School	Funding to support places as part of the HAF transition offer. Funding also utilised to purchase equipment, staff qualifications and support	£19864 (Year 1) £10156 (Year 2)

	delivery for trampolining and gymnastic sessions.	
Ewanrigg Junior School	Funding to purchase equipment, staff qualifications and support delivery of Boogie Bounce, Boxing, Golf and Orienteering.	£8684 (Year 1) £8906 (Year 2)
Ellenborough Academy	Funding to purchase equipment and staff training to deliver balance bike sessions.	£3813 (Year 2)
Together Fund (Fund Finished September 2023)		
Cockermouth Day Centre	Funding to support hire of facilities for football sessions with Allerdale Day Services.	£854
Fit 4 Life	Funding to support care homes to deliver physical activity through Activate sessions for older adults	£2625
PAUSE	County wide project to support women accessing PAUSE programme with suitable kit to engage in physical activity at home	£1906

4.20 **Sellafield Funding** – Active Cumbria supported Sellafield in distributing funding to organisations in the former Allerdale locality focusing on creating new opportunities for physical activity.

4.21 **Place Partnership Work** – Sport England are extending their Place Partnership work and investing £190m across 80-100 places across the Country. Three localities in Cumbria have been selected as identified as part of this work, one which falls within this panel area – MSOA Area – Flimby, Ellenborough and Broughton Moor.

Related: E01 Super Output Areas, Lower layer in Allerdale 005 Show obsolete places

find area type

ENGLAND

- E00 Output Areas
22 in Allerdale 005
- E01 Super Output Areas, Lower layer**
4 in Allerdale 005
- E33 Workplace Zones
3 in Allerdale 005

OTHER

- Postcodes
238 in Allerdale 005

A Allerdale 005A

Allerdale 005B

Allerdale 005C

Allerdale 005D

Map Satellite

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.

Risks

- 5.2 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

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

Legal Comment

- 5.4 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

- 5.5 The Neighbourhood Investment Fund is part of Communities and Localities within the Public Health and Communities Directorate.
- 5.6 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.
- 5.7 The 2023/24 budget allocation to the Lakes to Sea Community Panel is £60,184.
- 5.8 Approval is sought to agree a proposed funding allocation of £29,588.
- 5.9 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:

Lakes to Sea Community Panel		
2023/24 Budget Allocation		£60,184.00
Minus Approved Investments:	CCGA 1883-23	-2,000.00
	CCGA-1951-23	-10,000.00
	CCGA-1939-23	-670.00
	CCGA-1956-23	-1,073.00
	CCGA-1955-23	-500.00
	CCGA-1889-23	-8,000.00
	CCGA-1959-23	-3,029.00
	CCGA-1962-23	-1,000.00
	CCGA-1941-23	-4,323.50
Minus proposed Investments:	CCGA 1994-24	-2,545.00
	CCGA 2005-24	-4,349.00
	CCGA 2026-24	-2,000.00
	CCGA 2049-24	-4,349.00
	CCGA 2047-24	-2,000.00
	CCGA 2048-24	-1,000.00
	CCGA 2041-24	-4,348.00
	CCGA 2050-24	-8,000.00
	CCGA 2027-24	-262.00
	CCGA 2040-24	-313.00
	CCGA 2055-24	-422.00
Balance of budget remaining:		£0.50

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Appendices:

Appendix 1: Neighbourhood Investment Fund Current Position

Appendix 2: Community Panel Investment Criteria

Appendix 3: Maryport Rescue

Appendix 4: The Centre Ewanrigg

Appendix 5: Keswick Bee Keepers

Appendix 6: Maryport Girls and Boys Club

Appendix 7: Lakeland Rowing club

Appendix 8: Cockermouth Festivals Group

Appendix 9: Plumbland Village Hall

Appendix 10: Keswick Rugby Club

Appendix 11: Dearham Brownies

Appendix 12: Cockermouth Civic Trust

Appendix 13: Maryport Rotary

Appendix 14: Lakes to Sea Neighbourhood Investment Plan Draft