# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENFIELD COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING FUND CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY, 7 MARCH 2013

#### COUNCILLORS

PRESENT	Bambos Charalambous (Cabinet Member for Culture, Sport and Leisure), Achilleas Georgiou (Deputy Leader) and Christine Hamilton (Chair - Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing and Public Health)
ABSENT	Chris Bond (Cabinet Member for Environment)
OFFICERS:	Jayne Middleton-Albooye (Principal Lawyer), Niki Nicolaou (Voluntary Sector Manager) and Shaun Rogan (Head of Communites, Partnerships and External Relations) Penelope Williams (Secretary)

# 756 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Bond.

# 757 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

# 758 URGENT ITEMS

NOTED that the reports listed on the agenda had been circulated in accordance with the requirements of the Council's Constitution and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Amendment Regulations 2002. These arrangements state that agendas and reports should be circulated at least 5 clear days in advance of meetings.

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# ENFIELD COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING FUND ROUND 2 APPLICATIONS

Councillor Christine Hamilton (Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing and Public Health) introduced the report of the Chief Executive (No.187) presenting the applications that had been submitted up to 7 February 2013 for the Enfield Community Capacity Building Fund.

Shaun Rogan, Head of Communities, Partnerships and External Relations, introduced the report.

- A total of 47 bids had been received and 25 of these had been judged to pass the quality assurance process for approval for funding from the Enfield Community Capacity Building Fund Round 2.
- The total amount of funding available for this year's applications was £150,000.

The applications were each considered in detail taking account of officer comments at the meeting and the agreed criteria for funding.

#### 1. The following bids were approved in full

- 1.1 Youth Engagement and Capacity Building Enfield Children's and Young Person's Services (CBF2003) £12,500
- 1.2 Capacity building and support for elderly Turkish residents Green Towers Luncheon Club (CBF2010) £6,132
- 1.3 Information, advice and guidance (African French speaking communities) African French Speaking Organisation (CBF2011) £11,270
- 1.4 BME Carers Support Project Enfield Carers Centre (CBF2020) £7,864
- 1.5 Café Workshop and Support Trinity at Bowes Methodist Church (CBF2023) £7,166
- 1.6 Volunteering Support for Mental Health Mind in Enfield (CBF2035) £12,500
- 1.7 Advice and Information Project Enfield Somali Community Organisation (CBF2038) £7,520
- 1.8 Youth Capacity Support Project Staying Safe Through Sport Godwin Lawson Foundation (CBF2043) £10,000

#### 2. The following bids were approved subject to conditions

- 2.1 Developing Community Champions in deprived wards Elevation-Profile CIC (CBF2015) – Up to a maximum of £10,585 subject to a final review of costs.
- 2.2 Capacity Building and Support to Turkish women in Enfield Third Age Challenge Group (CBF2016) Up to a maximum of £7,132 subject to final review of the costs.

- 2.3 Welfare benefits advice project Naree Shakti (CBF2022) Up to a maximum of £7,658 subject to a final review of the costs, including venue hire, and to ensure that there was no duplication with similar projects which had already been funded by the Council.
- 2.4 Community Victims Champions Victim Support Enfield (CBF2027) Up to a maximum of £10,150 subject to a final review of the costs including engaging volunteers, marketing, publicity and advertising.
- 2.5 Empowering Volunteering Community Aid Enfield (CBF 2034) Up to a maximum of £11,988 subject to clarity on the role of the volunteer manager, a final review of the premises costs and to ensure that the work would not be duplicating what was already being carried out by the Citizens Advice Bureau.
- 2.6 The Maths and English Project for Young People Enfield Bangladeshi Welfare Association (CBF2039) Up to a maximum of £12,492 subject to a final review of the costs and to ensure that work was not being duplicated by schools.
- 2.7 Elders Services Project Reducing Social Isolation Tamil Relief Centre (CBF2040) – Up to a maximum of £12,500 subject to review of the room rental and other costs.

# 3. The following bids were refused:

- 3.1 Capacity Building Volunteers Programme Enfield Voluntary Action (CBF2007). Members felt that although the work proposed was of value, that funding had already been provided in this area and there was a risk of duplicating resources.
- 3.2 After School Tuition Programme Maals Foundation CIC (CBF2008). Members felt that this was something that schools should already be providing. There was some concern about the sustainability of the project and the fact that it was unclear where the children and teachers would be recruited from.
- 3.3 Therapy and Community Support to Stroke Victims Ruth Winston Centre (CBF2012). Members felt that the need had not been clearly identified. Funding for stroke support was already being provided by the Council to Stroke Action. There was also some concern about the cost of the equipment and the accountability of the therapist.
- 3.4 Skills Based Volunteer training programme The Shane Project (CBF2018). Members felt that the target audience was unclear and it would be difficult to justify providing funding in the present form. They thought that this may be more appropriate as an application for funding

from the Enfield Residents Priority Fund or direct from Health, Housing and Adult Social Care.

- 3.5 Outreach to members of the deaf community in Enfield Enfield Deaf Image Group (CBF2021). Members agreed that the proposals included no indication on the extent of the need. It was unclear who the proposals were directed towards, the baseline from which they were working and how it would add capacity to existing services.
- 3.6 Climate change youth ambassadors Groundwork London (CBF2025). Members felt that more work needed to be carried out to be clear on the aims and the possible participants.
- 3.7 Time bank proposal Community Business Enfield (CBF2030). A similar application had been made to the Enfield Residents Priority Fund which was due to be considered next month. Members felt that more information was required on the target audience and on the numbers of people to be involved. There was too little recent evidence to support the bid.
- 3.8 Time bank proposal Total Healthcare Groups CIC (CBF2031). Stroke Action who would be managing the project had received 3 years funding on an earlier bid. Outcomes in this application were non specific and there was no indication as to how this would link in with the work of HealthWatch.
- 3.9 Access to sports for all Pro Touch Soccer Academy (CBF2045): Members felt that there was not enough clarity on what was being proposed and how the volunteering opportunities were to be organised.
- 3.10 Building capacity of older people in IT skills/reduce social isolation -The Advice Centre and ILAC Care (CBF2046). Members felt that there were too many risks associated with this application, which had not been addressed.

NOTED that the total sum allocated amounted to £147,547.

# Alternative Options Considered

That the projects are not considered and the funding is not allocated. This would not be recommended as this will not support the stated aim of building greater capacity and resilience within our communities.

# Reasons for recommendations

The projects submitted have been proposed and developed by the voluntary and community sector organisations and community groups of Enfield, to help build community capacity and so improve the social, economic or environmental wellbeing by tackling local need and deprivation. The projects

shortlisted all support the Council's vision of making Enfield a better place to live and work, delivering fairness for all, growth and sustainability and strong communities. They have been assessed by an officer team to determine their eligibility for consideration by the Cabinet Sub Committee.

The Chair thanked all the officers for the effort and time that had been put into the application process, to make it run so smoothly and to enable members to consider the applications so efficiently.

# 760 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

AGREED that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 January 2013 be approved as a correct record.