

**ENFIELD COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING FUND CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE -
25.2.2014**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENFIELD COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING
FUND CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE
HELD ON TUESDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2014**

COUNCILLORS

PRESENT Bambos Charalambous (Cabinet Member for Culture, Sport and Leisure), Achilleas Georgiou (Deputy Leader) and Christine Hamilton (Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing and Public Health)

ABSENT Chris Bond (Cabinet Member for Environment)

OFFICERS: Shaun Rogan, Head of Communities, Partnerships and External Relations, Niki Nicolaou (Voluntary Sector Manager), Jayne Middleton-Albooye (Principal Lawyer), Koulla Panaretou (Committee Secretary)

**1
WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

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

**2
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest registered in respect of any items on the agenda.

**3
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.

**4
ENFIELD COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING FUND ROUND 3
APPLICATIONS**

Councillor Christine Hamilton (Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing and Public Health) introduced the report of the Chief Executive (No. 213) presenting the applications that had been submitted up to February 2014 for the Enfield Community Capacity Building Fund.

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

- A total of 44 bids had been received and 21 of these had been judged to pass the quality assurance process for approval for funding from the Enfield Community Capacity Building Fund Round 3.
- 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 Edmonton Dance Club for the Blind (CBF 3002) - £2,180
- 1.2 Green Towers Luncheon Club (CBF 3003) - £6,512
- 1.3 Breathe Easy Enfield (CBF 3012) - £1,850
- 1.4 Third Age Challenge Group (CBF 3014) - £7,860
- 1.5 Naree Shakti [Women's Strength] – (CBF 3015) - £5,840
- 1.6 Over 50 Bangladeshi Society (CBF 3017) - £4,805
- 1.7 Enfield Parents & Children (CBF 3033) - £11,994.80

2. The following bids were approved subject to conditions

- 2.1 The Hanlon Centre (CBF 3001) - £11,818 –bid approved subject to joint working with the Public Health division to ensure that work carried out is included in to the wider opportunities being made available in Upper Edmonton.
- 2.2 Forty Hall Community Vineyard (CBF 3007) - £12,500 subject to including communities from all parts of the Borough.
- 2.3 Elevation Profile CIC (CBF 3010) – Up to a maximum of £10,750 subject to a final review of costs relating to elements of the budget set out in the application.
- 2.4 African French Speaking Organisation (CBF 3013) – up to a maximum of £11,500 subject to the bilingual flyer-poster leaflet being printed by LBE's print services team and clarification of 2x sports day at Lee Valley Athletic Centre

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- 2.5 Turkish Youths of London (CBF 3018) – up to a maximum of £6,495 subject to confirmation from them of how they intend to cover all the areas stated in their application and to ensure that the services they provide from this project are for Enfield residents only. Additionally information was required in relation to the Lead Co-ordinator's qualifications. Agreed that the offer letter will reiterate the condition that they will need to work closely with the PEP and YEP.
- 2.6 Enfield Citizens Advice Bureau (CBF 3022) – up to a maximum of £9,988 subject to training volunteers to offer advice, thus continually building capacity of the project. Agreed that the £2512 central overhead costs to be removed, reducing total figure from £12,500 to £9988.
- 2.7 Tamil Relief Centre (CBF 3027) – up to a maximum of £12,500 subject to them confirming that the Welfare Rights Advisor to be employed must train volunteers to share knowledge and continue building capacity of the project to ensure sustainability of the project.
- 2.8 Home Start Enfield (CBF 3034) – up to a maximum of £10,000 subject to trainers training the volunteers to continue capacity and sustainability of the project. Further clarification of £10,000 allocated for salaries to be identified.

AGREED that all successful applications should receive agreement in writing from the LBE, advising them that they will be supported for their sustainability issues and that they will be expected to conform to requirements.

AGREED that the balance of the total amount of funding, once final grant offers had been agreed with those successful organisations should be used for community capacity building purposes. The Sub-Committee agreed that the specific allocation of the balance would be by means of a delegated authority report.

3. The following bids were refused:

- 3.1 ECYPS (CBF 3004). Part time co-ordinator to develop Community Help Point Scheme - Members felt that the service was currently running successfully without the need for a paid resource. They thought that the Voluntary Sector Strategy Group was already in discussion with Facilities Management to take this forward.
- 3.2 DAZU (CBF 3005). Outreach and engagement with socially excluded communities –Members felt that there was no evidence available of previous working relationships with the Gypsy Roma Traveller, Congolese or Asian Communities. Members questioned the suitability and capability of DAZU to deliver the service. Also there was no

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evidence to confirm that West Lea School would be on board and would be happy to facilitate the project.

- 3.3 Sublime (CBF 3032). Mobile Youth Centre project to address those at risk of offending and ASB –Members felt that there was not enough clarity on what was being proposed on the application. Capacity building is therefore unclear and details of budget breakdown unclear.
- 3.4 Rap Aid Onside (CBF 3037). Young farmers club for disadvantaged young people –Members felt that there was a lack of evidence of demand to support the bid.
- 3.5 Niburu Media (CBF 3031). Stop and Search awareness project working with young people with the Met Police – Members felt that work was already in progress with the Voluntary and Community Sector and Community Safety around building awareness and that the capacity building/sustainability aspects of the bid was not sufficiently clear.
- 3.6 Action for Social Integration (CBF 3036). Information Advice and counselling programme for victims of domestic violence and female genital mutilation – Members were concerned that there was not sufficient demonstration of the evidence base from which the project would target participants and that given the highly sensitive nature of the work under consideration that the organisation did not evidence any track record of delivery in this or related fields. There was also concern that there was no referral to the roles of related strategic partners who would need to be aware of/involved in the project. Therefore project declined as specific need and ability to deliver were not evidenced within the application.

NOTED that the total sum allocated amounted to £126,592.80.

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 a team of officers to determine their eligibility for consideration by the Cabinet Sub Committee.

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The Chair thanked all the officers for their 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.

**5
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

AGREED that the minutes of the previous meeting held on the 7th March 2013 be approved as a correct record.