MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENFIELD COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUND CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY, 9TH JULY, 2015

MEMBERS: Councillors Yasemin Brett (Cabinet Member for Community Organisations & Culture), Achilleas Georgiou (Deputy Leader of the Council) and Ahmet Oykener (Cabinet Member for Housing and Housing Regeneration)

Officers:

Shaun Rogan (Head of Policy, Partnerships, Engagement and Consultation), Niki Nicolaou (Third Sector Development Team Manager), Jayne Middleton-Alboyee (Head of Legal), Jacqui Hurst (Secretary)

1. APPOINTMENT OF NEW CHAIR

Councillor Yasemin Brett was appointed as Chair of the Sub Committee for the 2015-16 Municipal Year.

2. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were no apologies for absence.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

4. 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 with the exception of Report No.46 – Enfield Community Support Fund Deferred Applications from 26 March 2015 Meeting (Minute No.5 below refers). These arrangements state that agendas and reports should be circulated at least 5 clear days in advance of meetings.

AGREED, that the report be considered at this meeting.

5. ENFIELD COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUND FOR 2015-16

Councillor Yasemin Brett (Cabinet Member for Community Organisations and Culture) introduced the report of the Chief Executive (No.46) presenting the

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applications that had been deferred by the Enfield Community Support Fund Cabinet Sub-Committee at its meeting on 26th March 2015 to enable further discussions with each of the applicants and, further details to be provided in relation to each application. The Enfield Community Support Fund Cabinet Sub Committee discussed the additional information received and made the decisions set out below.

Shaun Rogan, Head of Policy, Partnerships, Engagement and Consultation and, Niki Nicolaou, Third Sector Development Team Manager, presented the report to Members.

NOTED

- 1. The summary of the applications received as detailed in the report and Appendix A to the report. The total amount requested was £43,518.
- 2. That additional background information on each of the applications, as previously requested, had been provided to Members of the Sub-Committee.
- 3. Members considered each of the applications in detail.

a. Enfield Citizens Advice Bureau (ECSF006) Enfield Turkish Cypriot Association (ECSF019) (£10,000) - Deferred

Members discussed the joint application bid in detail and noted the changes that had been made following the deferral of the two previous separate bid applications. A number of points of clarification were raised including: the volume of clients, the detailed financial information, the sustainability of the project in respect of volunteer training, clear evidence of collaboration between the two groups.

The Sub-Committee highlighted the need for such services in the Borough and considered the potential for future referrals of appropriate cases to such projects by the Council.

In conclusion, Members agreed that the joint application bid be deferred subject to further clarification on a number of issues highlighted by the Sub-Committee. Members did not have sufficient information to enable an informed decision to be made at this stage, as set out in the decision below. A further meeting of the Sub-Committee would be convened as and when appropriate.

b. Enfield Carers Centre (ECSF012) (£9,917.68) - Agreed

As previously requested by the Sub-Committee, a breakdown of expenditure had now been provided which was reviewed by the Members.

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Members were content with the additional information which had been provided in support of the bid and agreed that the application be accepted and funding approved, as set out in the decision below.

c. Radio Enfield (ECSF016) (£6,800) - Agreed

Members noted the additional information presented in support of the bid application following the previous deferment. The Sub-Committee agreed that the application now be accepted and funding approved, as set out in the decision below.

d. Turkish Youths of London (ECSF017) (£6,800) - Agreed

A detailed discussion took place on the additional information provided in support of the application. The monitoring processes in place were outlined in response to questions raised. In conclusion, the Sub-Committee agreed that the application now be accepted and funding approved, as set out in the decision below.

e. Tamil Relief Centre (ECSF046) (£10,000) - Agreed

Members considered the additional information in support of the application providing a breakdown of the funding bid. Following detailed discussion, the Sub-Committee agreed that the application now be accepted and funding approved, as set out in the decision below.

Alternative Options Considered: That the projects were not considered and the funding was not allocated. This had not been recommended as this would not support the stated aim of building greater capacity and resilience within our communities.

DECISION:

1. The Cabinet Sub-Committee following detailed consideration of the applications and the criteria, agreed that the following applications were suitable for funding from the Enfield Community Support Fund:

Bids agreed by the Cabinet Sub-Committee (previously deferred by the Cabinet Sub-Committee at its meeting on 26/03/15)						
Bid Ref	Organisation	Funding Requested	Project Summary			
ECSF012	Enfield Carers Centre	£9,917.68	One to one and group advocacy to unpaid carers living or caring for			

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			someone in Enfield
ECSF016	Radio Enfield	£6,800	Extension of service to North Middlesex Hospital – purchase of equipment
ECSF017	Turkish Youths of London	£6,800	Outreach and capacity building for vulnerable Turkish speaking families 30+ families
ECSF046	Tamil Relief Centre	£10,000	Elders Project

2. The Cabinet Sub-Committee following detailed consideration of the application and the criteria, agreed that the following application be deferred pending further clarification on the issues set out in the minutes above, for consideration at a future meeting of the Enfield Community Support Fund Cabinet Sub-Committee:

Bid Ref	Organisation	Funding Requested	Project Summary
ECSF006	Enfield Citizens Advice Bureau	£10,000	A joint bid submitted requesting funding for advice and information running
ECSF019	Enfield Turkish Cypriot Association		costs and volunteers

Reasons for Recommendations: The projects submitted had been proposed and developed by the voluntary and community sector organisations and community groups of Enfield, to help provide greater support to our communities and so improve the social, economic or environmental wellbeing by tackling local need and deprivation. The projects deferred 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.

6. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING DATED 26TH MARCH 2015

AGREED that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Sub-Committee held on the 26 March 2015 be approved and signed by the Chair, as a correct record.