

Note of Meeting of

Health and Social Care Forum

Thursday 09 June 2016

Craig Mitchell House, Flemington Road, Glenrothes, KY7 5QF

Present:

Helen Walkingshaw
Ross Livingstone
Norma Philpott
Charles Lister
Jim Bett
Duncan Mitchell
Alison Leitch
Jo Clark
Selina Grieve

Barony Housing
Circles Network
Citizens Advice and Rights Fife (CARF)
Disabilities Fife
Fife Alcohol Support Service
Fife Employment Access Trust (FEAT)
Fife Forum
Fife Voluntary Action
LinkLiving

Apologies:

Bill Chalmers
Fiona Smith
Jackie Morrison
Gail Carstairs
Kenny Murphy (Chair)
Christine Davison
Irene Blackburn
Linda Cruickshank
Bill Baird

British Red Cross
Crossroads Fife Central
Disabled Persons Housing Service (DPHS)
Enable
Fife Voluntary Action
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LinkLiving
RNIB
Royal Voluntary Service (RVS)

Presentation Big Lottery Funding Scotland, Eric Samuel, Senior Policy and Learning Manager, Big Lottery Fund

Big Lottery Scotland has reorganised into eight geographically spread teams. Each team is finding its feet right now, Fife is part of Eric's remit and he was pleased to attend the Forum both to share details on what the Big Lottery's plans are going forward and to hear about what is happening on the ground in Fife, what the main challenges and opportunities are.

Clusters of local authority areas

Teams finding their feet, making connections, attending events.

£250 million across Big Lottery Funds up to 2020 (approx £50m per year)

Current Big Lottery Scotland funding programmes:

- Awards for All (up to £10k, 1 year)
- Investing in Ideas
- Young Start
- Grants for community led activity
- Grants for improving lives
- Scottish Land Fund

**the small grants funds may merge in the future*

Coming soon – Scheduled July 2016 Summer

- Community Assets
- Coastal Communities
- "Celebrate"

Basically these are Grants for community-led activity where:

- People in the community are better connected and work together to improve their wellbeing
- Everyone in the community has the opportunity to influence and get involved in community-led activity

Two tier levels - Medium (covering new or existing activity) and Long term (covering revenue and capital costs) though there is a degree of cross over in the middle

- Medium grants £10k - £150k (1-5 years)
- Large grants £150k - £1million (1-5 years)

Three approaches govern the grants:

- 1. People-led**
- 2. Strengths-based**
- 3. Connected**

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Q&A In response to direct questions Eric informed the Forum that:

- The fund was an entirely competitive process and there was no pro-rata distribution across the areas.
- It was possible to apply for two separate grants from the different streams, if you met the criteria
- Most applications so far focused on children, young people, families then loss isolation and loneliness (part older people and mental health)
- There are planned webinars to support the awareness raising and development of the detail under the headings
- It was unlikely to fund a full £1m unless the project was exceptional

Discussion points informing Eric of the issues and challenges in Fife

- The importance of Mental Health provision, dropout rates and focus on youth
- Implications for Welfare reform and Poverty Action Groups
- Positive examples of Fife working in Partnership (eg Short Term Housing & Homelessness, Advocacy & Alcohol and Drugs)
- Dearth of activities for older people, especially with MH conditions in West Fife, outside of Dunfermline
- FVA as an organisation that provides support in developing and delivering activities

Integration Update

Following a healthy exchange with Eric – there was only a short a time update the Forum on what was discussed at the last IJB. A more detailed discussion will be arranged for the next Forum