

Meeting of South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership	Integration Joint Board		
Held on			
Agenda Item:	7		
Title:	South Ayrshire Wellbeing Pledge Fund (Community Capacity funding)		
Summary:			
The purpose of this report is to update IJB members on the Wellbeing Pledge Community Capacity funding for 2021/22.			
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Recommendations:			
IJB members are invited to:			
<p>i. Note the progress made by the Wellbeing Pledge Board in progressing the community capacity building funding programme.</p>			
Route to meeting:			
At its meeting in September 2021, the Integration Joint Board was notified of the process and the ongoing work and that a report would be tabled at the meeting on 20 th October 2021.			
Directions:		Implications:	
1. No Directions Required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Financial	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Directions to NHS Ayrshire & Arran	<input type="checkbox"/>	HR	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Directions to South Ayrshire Council	<input type="checkbox"/>	Legal	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Directions to both SAC & NHS	<input type="checkbox"/>	Equalities	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Sustainability	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Policy	<input type="checkbox"/>
		ICT	<input type="checkbox"/>

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

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2. RECOMMENDATION

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3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3.1 At its meeting in August 2021, the Wellbeing Pledge Board agreed that £64,000 would be allocated to third/community sector organisations through a community capacity building funding programme based on South Ayrshire's Wellbeing Pledge.

3.2 This paper sets out the process developed to award funding and details the recommendations for awards.

4. REPORT

4.1 After the Wellbeing Pledge Board meeting in August 2021, a small sub-group was established and led the process for awarding funding. This included HSCP staff, the Third Sector Interface lead and Health Improvement lead.

4.2 Based on south Ayrshire's Wellbeing Pledge and other local issues, the projects were to address the following issues/themes:

- Impact of Shielding
- Social isolation and loneliness
- Physical activity
- Mental health
- Bereavement
- Suicide prevention

4.3 The criteria for funding were agreed by the Wellbeing Pledge Board and included:

- Contribution to wellbeing
- Ability to address priority issue (as set out above)

- Supporting volunteers as part of the activity
 - Supporting wide self-management
 - Numbers impacted upon
 - Reach across area
 - Value for money
 - Potential for sustainability
- 4.4 The sub-group developed an application form and information regarding the process was disseminated from Friday 13th August 2021 (via External Funding Newsletter and VASA mailing as well as other networking links).
- 4.5 The deadline for submissions was 5pm on Friday 10th September 2021 and the sub-group met on the 14th September to assess the applications and make recommendations for funding to the Wellbeing Board (via email) and then to be endorsed at the September IJB.
- 4.6 **A total of 26 applications were received from a wide variety of third/community sector organisations requesting total funding of £207,736.73**
- 4.7 The sub-group assessed the applications' eligibility and the fit to the priority criteria.
- 4.8 The sub-group also considered the following:
- Whether the proposed activity duplicated existing activity
 - Whether the group was likely to be able to access the prospective Scottish Government Mental Health monies shortly to become available
 - Whether the proposed submission might be more properly considered as part of the formal commissioning process for services
 - Applications were not prioritised where proposed services were offered free of charge and where it was thought people should pay a contribution or where there was not a strong rationale set out for them not contributing
- 4.9 The sub-group also identified areas where VASA and others might provide advice to reduce the costs of the activity (e.g., premises costs).
- 4.10 The sub-group also attempted to fund projects that covered the priority areas; that had a fair spread re geography, age and particular focused need; tackled inequality and supported equality; and supported rural access to activity.
- 4.11 Some applications did not provide the right amount of clear information or, for example, proper accounts and this was also taken into account.
- 4.12 The sub-group prioritised some groups for complete funding and identified other groups where it was thought that some modest contribution would still enable the activities to be supported.

- 4.13 One other bid was not considered but will be looked at within an Ayrshire context involving NHS A&A and the 3 HSCPs.
- 4.14 Following this process, the following organisations were allocated full or part funding:

Organisation	Brief description of proposed activity	Recommended Allocation
Age Concern Girvan	Social isolation programme for older people in Girvan	£5,000
LGBT Youth	Blended youth work support for LGBT young people	£2,166
HOPE Wellbeing	Mental health support via drop in and counselling	£7,500
Broken Chains	Variety of practical support linked to homelessness	£6,000
FLAIR	Community-based work in Ayr North	£9,920
Vics in the Community	Football and mental capacity building in Ayr North	£10,000
Stepping Stones for Families	Additional financial inclusion capacity support families	£7,500
Breastfeeding Network	Targeted breastfeeding support in Carrick area	£3,000
KINECT	Wellbeing programme for children with Additional Support Needs	£3,000
Carrick Rugby	Access to Rugby for Young People in North and South Carrick	£2,500
Headway	Community rehabilitation for people with long term head injury	£2,500
Fibromyalgia	Wellbeing and information helpline for Fibromyalgia	£2,500
Ayrshire Tigers Powerchairs	Supporting costs of wheelchair sports programme	£2,414
TOTAL		£64,000

- 4.15 In relation to feedback, groups were emailed with outcomes alongside the offer of a phone call to talk through the decision, potential funding sources and other available support. Some of the organisations took up the offer of a phone call to explain the decision and other links to support. The Wellbeing Pledge Board will ensure proportionate monitoring of the activities supported.

5. STRATEGIC CONTEXT

- 5.1 The following Strategic Objectives are salient:

- We focus on prevention and tackling inequality
- We nurture and are part of communities that care for each other

- We help to build communities where people are safe

6. IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial Implications

6.1.1 Full amount of £64,000 expected to be distributed.

6.2 Human Resource Implications

6.2.1 No implications

6.3 Legal Implications

6.3.1 No implications

6.4 Equalities implications

6.4.1 No implications

6.5 Sustainability implications

6.5.1 No implications

6.6 Clinical/professional assessment

6.6.1 No assessment needed

7. CONSULTATION AND PARTNERSHIP WORKING

- Wellbeing Programme Board members were consulted by email before funding was allocated
- A report was drafted for the SPAG meeting in September but this was cancelled
- The September IJB was notified of the process and the ongoing work and that a report would be tabled at the October IJB meeting

8. RISK ASSESSMENT

There is limited risk associated with this small programme.

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