

<p>Title of Report:</p> <p>Foyleside Community Resilience Fund Underspend to be re-profiled to the Community Recovery Plan</p>	<p>Officer Presenting: Director of Health & Community</p> <p>Author: Head of Community Development & Leisure</p>
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1 Purpose of Report/Recommendations

- 1.1 To seek Members' approval to re-profile the underspend of £7,061.75 from the Foyleside Community Resilience plan into the Community Recovery Plan for the Foyleside DEA.

2 Background

- 2:1 Members will be aware of the COVID-19 report taken to Council on 26th March 2020 (C112/20). This resulted in an allocation of £27,000 to each of the 8 Local Community Growth Partnership Boards (LCGPB) to allow for immediate community responses to be put in place to respond to the needs emerging within each of the DEA's as a result of the Coronavirus health pandemic. It was essential that this funding was delivered on the ground immediately.

3 Key Issues

- 3.1 Foyleside DEA has an identified underspend of £7,061.75 from within the first tranche of funding allocated under the Community Resilience Plan. This underspend was largely due to the success of the LCGPB in accessing £45,800 through other funders.
- 3.2 The Foyleside LCGPB contacted Council to request that the allocation of £7,000 underspend be re-profiled to the Foyleside Community Recovery Plan as laid out in table 1 below;
- 3.3 Table 1

Suggestions	Heading	Financial suggestion
Health related pitch and gym passes.	Emotional Connectivity - and well-being of families and vulnerable residents due to isolation, anxiety, fear, domestic violence.	£1,000

PHA winter packs		
Outdoor clothing packs		
Digital tablets for families	Digital Connectivity - to those living alone or in in rural and border areas that are likely to experience greater challenges in accessing services	£2,000
DEA Santa's	Children & Young People – to ensure all needs are met (Including students) OR	£2,000
Garden gate service	Emotional Connectivity and well-being of families and vulnerable residents due to isolation, anxiety, fear, domestic violence.	£2,000

3.4 The additional £61.75 be incorporated into the existing Community Recovery Plan to be allocated within the spirit of the existing Recovery plan so as not to be lost to the area.

3.5 The environment in relation to Covid-19 is ever changing and in light of this, Council has agreed to be flexible within the budget headings so that communities are equipped to respond to emerging needs as they arise. The Community Resilience and Community Recovery Funds are consecutive delivery funds, therefore, flexibility between these funds is also recommended. Council officers liaise closely with each of the 8 Local Community Growth partnership boards to ensure that there is as much flexibility as possible to re-profile funding subject to spend restrictions within the Departmental funding allocation and within the requirements of Good Governance.

4 Financial, Equality, Legal, HR, Improvement, Rural Needs and other Implications

4.1 The £7,061.75 exists within the current budget allocated to the Foyleside DEA, therefore there will be no additional financial implications to Council.

5 Recommendations

5.1 That Members approve the re-profiling of £7,061.75 of the Community Resilience underspend into the Foyleside Community Recovery Plan as outlined above.

Background Papers

Mins Refs: C112/20; HC144/20