# COMMUNITIES AND PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE



Wednesday, 22 April 2020

<u>10:00</u>

Democratic and Members' Services Fiona McMillan Monitoring Officer

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# COVID-19

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# AGENDA

Open to Public and Press

# CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS

- Apologies for absence and declarations of interest
   Guidance on declaring interests is available at
   <u>http://tinyurl.com/ccc-conduct-code</u>
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# DECISIONS

- 5 Innovate and Cultivate Fund Endorsement of Recommendations 7 12 (April 2020)
- 6 Community Champions Oral Updates and Feedback on Community Activity across the County
- 7 Communities and Partnership Committee Agenda Plan 13 16

The Communities and Partnership Committee comprises the following members:

Councillor Steve Criswell (Chairman) Councillor Mark Goldsack (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Barbara Ashwood Councillor Henry Batchelor Councillor Adela Costello Councillor Lis Every Councillor Janet French Councillor Lina Nieto Councillor Claire Richards and Councillor Amanda Taylor

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COMMUNITIES AND PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE		ITTEE	Minutes Action Log		enda Item No: 3	
			n April 2020 and captures the actions arising from the m s of compliance in delivering the necessary actions.	ost recent Communities and Partnership	Committee	
Minute No.	Report Title	Action to be taken by	Action	Comments	Status	
	ACT		I MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON	I 17TH DECEMBER 2019		
222.	THINK COMMUNITIES	Adrian Chapman	Members requested information on the membership of the Huntingdonshire Think Communities Delivery Board. Action: the Service Director of Community and Safety undertook to provide details to Members.	Huntingdonshire colleagues have so far held workshops to consider and design their local governance arrangements. Proposed membership has not yet been finalised, but will be shared as soon as it is. Officers will also ensure details of membership of all other place-based boards is shared with Members.	ACTION ONGOING	
	AC	TIONS FRO	M MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD O	N 23RD JANUARY 2020	<u> </u>	
233.	GROWING FENLAND – TOWN REPORTS	Adrian Chapman	The Committee sought clarification on how the Mayora Task Force would function and how it would be composed, noting that it should include a representativ of the Council.		ACTION ONGOING	
			Action: The Service Director of Community and Safety agreed to provide the Committee with an update once details had been confirmed regarding the Task Force.			

236.	COUNTY COUNCIL'S APPROACH TO ADDRESSING HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS – SIX MONTHS PROGRESS UPDATE	Sarah Ferguson	<ul> <li>While discussing homelessness and housing issues, Members identified overlaps with the market town strategies discussed earlier at the meeting (Item 4: Growing Fenland – Town Reports), and queried whether there was coordination between the different projects.</li> <li>Action: The Assistant Director of Housing, Communities and Youth undertook to establish the level of cooperation between officers.</li> </ul>	Awaiting update.	ACTION ONGOING
	<u>A</u>	CTIONS FRO	OM MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON	<u>12TH MARCH 2020</u>	
245.	JOINT HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY CONSULTATION	Liz Robin	Members observed that the list of committees/boards that would host presentations or workshops on the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (section 2.9 of the report) did not include information on when and where they would be held. Action: The Director of Public Health agreed to provide Members with the information.	The consultation on the Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy was placed on "pause" during the latter half of March due to the current situation around the COVID-19 outbreak. When the consultation resumes, a full list of committees/ boards, with dates of meetings, will be provided to the Committee.	ACTION ONGOING
			One Member sought clarification on whether the East of England Ambulance Service Trust Board had been involved in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy consultations. Action: The Director of Public Health undertook to establish their level of involvement.	Awaiting update.	ACTION ONGOING

247.	CAMBRIDGESHIRE REGISTRATION SERVICE REVIEW – INTERIM REPORT	Christine May	<ul> <li>While discussing the service's Key Performance Indicators (KPI's), Members requested further information regarding the KPI on which it was underperforming.</li> <li>Action: The Assistant Director of Cultural and Community Services undertook to circulate further information.</li> </ul>	The Assistant Director of Cultural and Community Services circulated the requested information following the meeting.	ACTION COMPLETE
248.	FUTURE LIBRARIES INITIATIVE – CIVIC UPDATE	Adrian Chapman	Members considered whether the Future Libraries Initiative and the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority's market town strategies could be aligned with each other. Action: The Service Director of Community and Safety agreed to consider how the two projects could be aligned.	Awaiting update	ACTION ONGOING
249.	DOMESTIC ABUSE AND SEXUAL ABUSE SERVICE REVIEW AND WHITE RIBBON CAMPAIGN	Julia Cullum	One Member suggested that the Council could sign up to the Employers' Initiative on Domestic Abuse (EIDA). Action: The Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Partnership Manager undertook to investigate the possibility.	This has been raised with Human Resources and will be followed up on following the COVID-19 lockdown.	ACTION ONGOING
		Adrian Chapman	It was suggested that the wording used in the Council's strategy differed from the national strategy and that it would be preferable to avoid this, although it was not suggested that the strategy itself should change. Action: the Service Director of Community and Safety agreed that the wording could be reconsidered.	The strategy has been reworded to reflect this and will be taken to the Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence partnership for approval at the end of April 2020.	ACTION COMPLETE

250.	CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL COMMUNITIES CAPITAL FUND	Nick Mills	<ul> <li>While nominating representatives for the Communities Capital Fund Member panel, it was agreed for the Labour and Liberal Democrat groups to provide their nominations following the meeting.</li> <li>Action: the Democratic Services Officer undertook to confirm the nominations.</li> </ul>	The confirmed nominations for the panel are as follows: Councillor H Batchelor (Lib Dem) Councillor S Criswell (Con) Councillor J French (Con) Councillor M Goldsack (Con) Councillor E Meschini (Lab)	ACTION COMPLETE
251.	INNOVATE & CULTIVATE FUND 2018-19 EVALUATION REPORT	Elaine Matthews	<ul> <li>Having been informed that information packs had been produced for the four Seed Fund Projects, Members requested to be provided with copies.</li> <li>Action: the Strengthening Communities Service Manager agreed to distribute the information packs.</li> </ul>	The information packs were circulated to Members and are available to access at the following link: <u>https://data.cambridgeshireinsight.</u> org.uk/dataset/cultivate-seed-fund- projects	ACTION COMPLETE

# INNOVATE AND CULTIVATE FUND – ENDORSEMENT OF RECOMMENDATIONS (APRIL 2020)

То:	Communities and Partnership Committee				
Meeting Date:	22 April 2020				
From:	Adrian Chapman: Partnerships	Service Director of	of Communities and		
Electoral division(s):	All (especially div Cambridgeshire)	isions in Huntingc	Ionshire and South		
Forward Plan ref:	N/A	Key decision:	No		
Purpose:	To provide the Communities and Partnership Committee with the outcome of the April 2020 Innovate & Cultivate Fund (ICF) Recommendation Panel.				
Recommendation:	The Communities	and Partnership (	Committee is asked to:		
	confirm ag application • Cam Allia	reement to fund th	ivate funding stream: rears Teaching		

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# 1. BACKGROUND

- **1.1** The Innovation Fund was initially launched in November 2016. A review and refresh of the fund was carried out the following year resulting in the current Innovate and Cultivate Fund as agreed by the Communities and Partnership Committee on 24 August 2017.
- **1.2** In accordance with the Committee decision of 24 August 2017, a Recommendation Panel considers applications to the fund and is made up of three County Council Service or Assistant Directors, the Chief Finance Officer or Head of Finance, a senior officer involved in managing the fund, a representative of Cambridgeshire Community Foundation and five elected members from the Communities and Partnership Committee.
- **1.3** The fund is open to voluntary, community and social enterprise sector organisations based in and outside of Cambridgeshire and public sector bodies in Cambridgeshire to deliver projects and ideas that help address the needs of local residents.
- **1.4** There are two funding streams:

• **Cultivate:** grants of £2,000-£19,000 aimed at encouraging local networks where people help themselves and each other. This is a single stage application process, where Communities and Partnership Committee consider the final recommendations of the panel before confirming award.

• **Innovate**: grants of £19,001 - £50,000, for projects that demonstrate an innovative approach. This is a two-stage application process where second stage applicants present a more detailed project plan and quarterly activity and budget plans to the panel, after which the Communities and Partnership Committee consider the panel recommendations before confirming award.

- **1.5** All applicants to the fund are required to demonstrate a number of stated criteria including the following key criteria:
  - Project outcomes align with key funding priorities for Children & Families services, Adult Social Care or other council priorities
  - Projects show they will reduce pressure on council services and/or offer direct savings for the council,
  - Projects must be either new, or build on an existing project in a new location or with new beneficiaries.

# 2. MAIN ISSUES

- **2.1** In April 2020 the Recommendation Panel considered 10 project proposals to the Cultivate funding stream and 5 stage one project proposals to the Innovate funding stream.
- **2.2** The outcome of the panel is that 2 Cultivate applications have been recommended for funding and are reported to this Committee for final decision, namely:
  - Cambridgeshire Early Years Teaching Alliance
  - Disability Huntingdonshire

**2.3** The amount of funding committed to date is £1,228,861.75 for 54 projects. If the Cultivate applications recommended to the Communities and Partnership Committee within this report are approved, the total committed will be up to £1,244,786.75 for 56 projects.

A summary of each of the recommended applications is detailed in **Appendix 1** attached.

# 3. ALIGNMENT WITH CORPORATE PRIORITIES

### 3.1 A good quality of life for everyone

The focus of the Fund is supporting people to live healthy and independent lives. It focuses upon the most vulnerable groups and enables a locally delivered approach which improves the outcomes for our citizens and communities, as well as to prevent and delay demand for statutory intervention.

## 3.2 Thriving places for people to live

The Fund affords opportunities for individuals and communities to develop their skills and resilience to undertake initiatives that improve and enable independence, health and wellbeing.

## 3.3 The best start for Cambridgeshire's children

A key focus of the Fund is to enhance delivery against this priority e.g. where the support of the voluntary and community sector could make a real difference to the lives of children and families, providing opportunities for the whole population to succeed and to enable improved outcomes.

### 3.4 Net zero carbon emissions for Cambridgeshire by 2050

Proposals with a potential impact on carbon emissions will be asked to demonstrate how these will be minimised.

# 4. SIGNIFICANT IMPLICATIONS

### 4.1 **Resource Implications**

The resource implications are contained within the body of the report.

### 4.2 Procurement/Contractual/Council Contract Procedure Rules Implications

Although grants are exempt from procurement regulations, procurement advice has been taken on the grant application process and member involvement in recommending bids for award and final decision of award.

### 4.3 Statutory, Legal and Risk Implications

Legal advice has been taken in the setting up of this Fund and in the creation of the grant application and monitoring process.

## 4.4 Equality and Diversity Implications

The focus of this Fund on supporting the most vulnerable will mean this investment will make a positive contribution to issues of equality.

#### 4.5 Engagement and Communications Implications

The plans for engagement and communication of this Fund are as agreed at 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018 Committee.

#### 4.6 Localism and Local Member Involvement

Community empowerment sits at the heart of the Innovate & Cultivate Fund which enhances the opportunity for local community organisations to bid for projects which harness the energy of their community.

Members play a key role in considering each application on its own merits and against the fund criteria. The Communities and Partnership Committee receive recommendations for funding from the Recommendation Panel.

#### 4.7 Public Health Implications

The Innovate and Cultivate Fund affords opportunities for individuals and communities to develop their skills and resilience to undertake initiatives that improve health and well-being. The approved projects also support interventions to support those most vulnerable to prevent their health and wellbeing needs escalating and service needs increasing.

Implications	Officer Clearance

Communities and Partnership Committee on 17January 2019 agreed that officer clearance for future reports of this type would not be necessary, given that the content is repeated except for the information on the actual applications being recommended for funding.

Source Documents	Location
Cambridgeshire Community Foundation Innovate and Cultivate Fund application forms and guidance.	Application Form: <u>https://ukcf.secure.force.com/forms/ICF</u>
	Guidance: https://www.cambscf.org.uk/icf.html

# Innovate and Cultivate Fund

# Cultivate Fund applications recommended by the panel to the Communities and Partnership Committee for final decision.

Applicant and Project Name	Project Description	Amount of funding requested
Cambridgeshire Early Years Teaching Alliance (CEYTA)	CEYTSA aims to support and provide research based high quality training for early year's practitioners in settings in identified areas of Huntingdonshire. In the knowledge that STEP is being offered to primary schools in Cambridgeshire, the aim is to provide the same level of training to early year's practitioners. By enabling practitioners to support children to regulate their own behaviour by implementing a consistent approach that will improve transition to school. The strength of the STEP approach is that all staff in each setting will be trained in the same way at the same time, which will lead to GLDs (Good levels of development) prior to school entry. STEP training in PVIs (Private, voluntary and independent) will replace Team Teach, the former local authorities approach to behaviour management. CEYTSA plan to implement the STEP approach in response to increasing school exclusion of younger children. The nature of the work in early years is such that access to intensive training is limited by cost and release time, thus the plan is to work cooperatively with Cambridgeshire STEP coordinator and the Cambridgeshire SEND lead to provide whole setting training as this has been identified as the most successful, sustainable training model. The STEP approach aims to support the development of inclusive practice by using a therapeutic approach to behaviour management. CEYTSA has four trained STEP tutors who have adapted the programme to respond to the needs of younger children in early year's settings with the aim of complimenting the primary school STEP programme. Once training has been delivered, setting staff are offered regular surgery-style support by Working with clusters of settings a network structure will be developed for future continuous professional development and refresher training.	£9,925.00

Disability	The Recommendation Panel has recommended reduced	Amount
Huntingdonshire	grant funding to cover the IT upgrade element of a wider	requested:
(DISH)	project proposal. This grant funding would cover the capital	£18,900.00
(2:0:1)	costs of an IT upgrade and the contribution to management	
	costs for this work ( $\pounds$ 4,000 + $\pounds$ 2,000).	Amount
		offered:
	IT upgrade:	up to £6000
	DISH aims to assist every eligible person that is referred to	•
	the service but this often leads to long waiting times. Waiting	
	times are exacerbated by DISH's inability to transfer their	
	database onto a cloud based system, which means that staff	
	cannot work remotely. By upgrading their core case	
	management system, staff would not be required to visit the	
	office for at least 2 days a week to update their admin, as	
	they do now to complete case recording. Instead they could	
	to do that remotely, freeing time to see more clients in the	
	week. The extra hours requested could be split between	
	case management and visits with clients. An upgrade to IT	
	systems would also enable DISH to 'fine tune' the	
	information captured which would enable more efficient	
	management information and cleaner reporting and outcome	
	information.	

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#### **Notes**

Committee dates shown in bold are confirmed. Committee dates shown in brackets and italics are reserve dates.

The definition of a key decision is set out in the Council's Constitution in Part 2, Article 12.

- \* indicates items expected to be recommended for determination by full Council.
- + indicates items expected to be confidential, which would exclude the press and public.

Draft reports are due with the Democratic Services Officer by 10.00 a.m. eight clear working days before the meeting. The agenda dispatch date is six clear working days before the meeting.

Committee date	Agenda item	Lead officer	Reference if key decision	Deadline for draft reports	Agenda despatch date
22/04/20	Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th March 2020	N Mills	N/A	02/04/20	06/04/20
	Innovate & Cultivate Fund – Endorsement of Recommendations (April 2020)	E Matthews	N/A		
	Agenda Plan and Appointments	A Chapman	N/A		
[18/06/20] Provisional Meeting					
02/07/20	Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd April 2020	N Mills	N/A	22/06/20	24/06/20
	Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Infrastructure Tender	M Oliver	2020/007		
	Cambridgeshire Libraries – Implementation and Delivery of New Vision, and Open Access in Libraries	G Porter	N/A		
	Innovate & Cultivate Fund – Endorsement of Recommendations (July 2020)	E Matthews	N/A		

Committee date	Agenda item	Lead officer	Reference if	Deadline for	Agenda
date	Aganda Dian and Annaintmenta		key decision	draft reports	despatch date
	Agenda Plan and Appointments	A Chapman	N/A		
[06/08/20]					
Provisional					
Meeting					
03/09/20	Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd July 2020	N Mills	N/A	21/08/20	25/08/20
	Coroner Service Annual Report	P Gell	N/A		
	Community Champions Annual Report	E Matthews	N/A		
	Think Communities	M Oliver	N/A		
	Effect of CPCA Bus Review on Local Communities	A Chapman			
	Early Years Support	A Chapman			
	Market Town Reports from Huntingdonshire and East Cambridgeshire	A Chapman			
	Performance Report – Quarter 1 2020/21	T Barden	N/A		
	Finance Monitoring Report	E Jones	N/A		
	Agenda Plan and Appointments	A Chapman	N/A		
08/10/20	Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd September 2020	N Mills	N/A	28/09/20	30/09/20
	Registration Service Annual Report	P Gell	N/A		
	Innovate & Cultivate Fund – Endorsement of Recommendations (October 2020_)	E Matthews	N/A		
	Business Planning	A Chapman / E Jones	N/A		
	Finance Monitoring Report	E Jones	N/A		

Committee date	Agenda item	Lead officer	Reference if key decision	Deadline for draft reports	Agenda despatch date
	Community Champions Oral Update	Community	N/A		
		Champions			
	Agenda Plan and Appointments	A Chapman	N/A		
12/11/20	Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th October 2020	N Mills	N/A	02/11/20	04/11/20
	Local Council Development Plan – Annual Report	M Oliver	N/A		
	Support Cambridgeshire Annual Report	M Oliver	N/A		
	Cambridgeshire Libraries, Including Civic Partnership Project	G Porter	N/A		
	Shared and Integrated Services	A Askham	N/A		
	Think Communities	M Oliver	N/A		
	Community Champions Oral Update	Community Champions	N/A		
	Agenda Plan and Appointments	A Chapman	N/A		
03/12/20	Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th November 2020	N Mills	N/A	23/11/20	25/11/20
	Innovate & Cultivate Fund – Endorsement of Recommendations (December 2020)	E Matthews	N/A		
	Cambridgeshire Skills – 6 Month Report	T Meadows	N/A		
	Performance Report – Quarter 2 2020/21	T Barden	N/A		
	Business Planning	A Chapman / E Jones	N/A		
	Finance Monitoring Report	E Jones	N/A		
	Community Champions Oral Update	Community Champions	N/A		

Committee date	Agenda item	Lead officer	Reference if key decision	Deadline for draft reports	Agenda despatch date
	Agenda Plan and Appointments	A Chapman	N/A		
21/01/21	Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd December 2020	N Mills	N/A	11/01/21	13/01/21
	Think Communities	M Oliver	N/A		
	Innovate & Cultivate Fund – Endorsement of Recommendations (January 2021)	E Matthews	N/A		
	Community Champions Oral Update	Community Champions	N/A		
	Agenda Plan and Appointments	A Chapman	N/A		
[18/02/21] Provisional Meeting					
04/03/21	Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st January 2021	N Mills	N/A	22/02/21	24/02/21
	Cambridgeshire Libraries, Including Civic Partnership Project	G Porter	N/A		
	Think Communities	M Oliver	N/A		
	Performance Report – Quarter 3 2020/21	T Barden	N/A		
	Finance Monitoring Report	E Jones	N/A		
	Community Champions Oral Update	Community Champions	N/A		
	Agenda Plan and Appointments	A Chapman	N/A		
[01/04/21] Provisional Meeting					