Copeland Community Fund Project Board Notes of the Meeting held 28 September 2016, Cumbria Sports Academy

Present:

Councillor David Moore (CBC) (Chair) Brian Hough (NDA) Alec Haggart (Independent Member) Councillor Wendy Skillicorn (CCC)

In Attendance:

Emma Moynihan (Community Fund Manager), Julie Betteridge (CBC), Liz Watson (CCC), Martin Allman (CCC), Gillian Elliot (CCC), Julie Monk (Grants Officer), Helen Conway (Community Development Worker) – for Board only, Cath Giel (LLWR)

1. Apologies for Absence

Tim Knowles
David Southward
Mike Starkie

2. Disclosures of Interest

None.

3. Board Meeting

Millom Pensioners Association	Millom Pensioners Association – Hall
	Refurbishment
Application No: 960472	Grant Request: £80,000.00
South Copeland	Capital

HC gave an overview and background of the project to the Board. Highlighting aims and objectives. Advising that PR has worked with the group for over 2 years. The applicant was turned down by the Big Lottery and received no feedback.

Output increase user numbers, recognised by the group.

LW explained the appraisal of the project to the Board. Poor value for money, and lack of additional users. Group lacking financial procedures. Only 2% of match funding secured. Concern regarding duplication in the Millom area.

Various questions were raised and answered.

Following discussion, it was agreed by the Board that they would defer any decision on this application at this time, and would revisit at the end of the Away Day Agenda items.

Phoenix Enterprise Centre	Connecting Copeland's Digitally
	Excluded +
Application No: 960424	Variation

EM/HC gave the Board background to this project, advising it is PEC's intention to submit a new full application for the January 2017 Board meeting.

A Variation has been requested to change the project end date and an increase in project costs.

The Board were reminded of the discussion at last Board as some members weren't at that meeting.

Chair disappointed in the way this application was brought to the Board at the last meeting.

EM summarised the best solution for the fund. Highlighting overheads needs to be limited to 10% and confirming PEC must go through the same process as any other applicant for their next grant submission in January 2017.

Limit the overheads to 10%. PEC feel they are guaranteed to get the funding in January.

Board approved the Variation.

Calderwood House	Time to Change (West Cumbria) Project CIC
Application No: 960370	Variation

Extension to end date to 6 September 2016 due to delays in paying the final invoice due to a dispute which has now been resolved.

Board noted the Variation.

Rosehill Arts Trust Ltd	Rosehill Redevelopment Phase 1
Application No: 960338	Variation

EM advised the Board that Rosehill don't have a procurement policy, Board to note they can't change at this point but going forward will ask them to produce both a Comms/Marketing and Procurement Policy for the next monitoring report.

Millom Baptist Church	MBC a Safe Place to Be
Application No: 960465	Grant Request: £6,000.00
South Copeland	Capital

HC updated the Panel with information requested by them at the September Panel, which was circulated via email on 27 September 2016.

The applicant has liaised with Mark Key, Building Control Manager, Copeland Borough Council as requested, who is now okay for these works to go ahead.

After discussion regarding duplication in the Millom area the Panel noted the low grant request.

Panel approved this project.

Cumbria Action for Sustainability	Energy Saving At Home
Application No: 960459	Variation

EM gave an overview to this project, the Panel approved this project on the basis of 10 volunteers, they currently only have 1 and are unlikely to meet the original aim of the grant.

Following discussion, the Panel agreed to bring this project to an early closure.

4. Fund Team Report

EM advised the Board that the Team Report will be picked up as part of the Away Day Agenda.

The Board agreed to action all items at the Away Day.