

Report to: **Hub Committee**

Date: **5 November 2019**

Title: **Partnership Funding**

Portfolio Area: **Communities – Cllr Terry Pearce**
Wellbeing – Cllr Tony Leech

Wards Affected: **All**

Urgent Decision: **N** Approval and clearance obtained: **Y**

Date next steps can be taken: **After call in period 13 November 2019**

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RECOMMENDATION: that the Hub Committee

- 1. Considers and evaluates the feedback given by each partner as shown in appendix A based on the following:**
 - i.** local need
 - ii.** alignment to the Council’s Corporate Strategy
 - iii.** statutory duty
- 2. Decides which of the following partners to award funding to and by how much per annum for the next three years:**
 - i.** Citizens Advice Torridge, North, Mid & West Devon
 - ii.** West Devon Community and Voluntary Services (CVS)
 - iii.** South West Youth Games – Planet Earth Games
 - iv.** Junior Life Skills
 - v.** Okehampton Community Recreation Association (OCRA)
 - vi.** Okehampton & District Community Transport Group
 - vii.** Tavistock Ring & Ride
 - viii.** Young Devon
 - ix.** Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP)
 - x.** Tamar Estuaries Consultative Forum
 - xi.** Tamar Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
 - xii.** Cornwall & West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage Site Partnership Board (WHS)
- 3. Decides whether to make any alternative or additional commissioning opportunities available.**

1. Executive summary

- 1.1 This report provides feedback from each of the partners West Devon Borough Council currently funds.
- 1.2 Members are asked to consider the merits of each partner submission which can be found in appendix a of this report and decide which partners they would like to enter into a three year funding agreement with.

2. Background

- 2.1 On 10 September 2019 Hub Committee resolved that a commissioning model be adopted to award partnership funding from 2020-2023 based on one or all of the following: local need, alignment to the Council's Corporate Strategy and statutory duty.

3. Outcomes/outputs

- 3.1 Each of the Council's partners has submitted a paper detailing:
- The services they provide
 - How Council funding would be spent
 - How their services meets local need
 - How their service aligns to the Council's Corporate Strategy
 - How their service meets statutory duty
 - What other funding they receive and how they spend it
- 3.2 The partner submissions can be found in Appendix A of this report and can be summarised as follows:

Partnership	2019/20 Funding £	Corporate theme	Future funding required
Citizens Advice	32,900	Wellbeing	Yes
CVS	5,100	Community	Yes
SW Youth Games	2,000	Wellbeing	No
Junior Life Skills	1,440	Wellbeing	Yes
OCRA	1,333	Wellbeing	Yes
Okehampton Community Transport	6,533	Wellbeing Environment Community	Yes
Tavistock Ring & Ride	6,533	Wellbeing Community Environment	Yes
Young Devon	2,500	Wellbeing	Yes
Heart of the SW LEP	5,000	Enterprise	Yes
Tamar Estuaries Consultative Forum	4,500	Environment	Yes
Tamar Valley AONB	8,835	Environment	Yes
World Heritage Site	4,000	Environment	Yes

4. Options available and consideration of risk

4.1 Increase Funding

Should the Hub Committee be minded to adopt this option and increase the total amount of funding to partners, it would need to seek approval from full Council and monies be identified by the Council's Section 151 Officer, to meet the cost pressure that additional spend would cause.

4.2 Maintain Funding

This option should only be adopted if partners clearly demonstrate one or more of the following: local need, alignment to the Council's corporate strategy and or statutory duty.

4.3 Withdraw or Decrease Funding

This option should only be adopted if partners do not demonstrate one or more of the following: local need, alignment to the Council's corporate strategy and or statutory duty. If this is the case effected partners should be informed as quickly as possible to ensure they are able to make contingency plans for future funding of their service.

5. Proposed Way Forward

5.1 Hub Committee Members decide at Committee today which partners is would like to fund for the next three years from 1 April 2020.

5.2 Partners are advised of the decision made by Hub Committee by mid-November in order that they can plan their service delivery accordingly.

6. Implications

Implications	Relevant to proposals Y/N	Details and proposed measures to address
Legal/Governance		Subject to budget the Hub Committee has the power to decide whether it wants to enter into partnerships.
Financial implications to include reference to value for money		Hub committee has the power to award partnership funding provided there is budget provision to do so. The current partnership funding budget is £80,674. Should the Hub Committee wish to award more than this figure it would have to seek approval from full Council and monies be identified by the Council's Section 151 Officer to meet the cost pressure that additional spend would cause.
Risk		See section 4 of the report which sets out the risks associated with the awarding of partnership funding.

Supporting Corporate Strategy		Council Theme – Efficient and effective
Climate Change - Carbon / Biodiversity Impact		Each partnership will need to be considered on its own merits. Some partners clearly align to the council’s environment corporate strategy theme.
Comprehensive Impact Assessment Implications		
Equality and Diversity		N/A
Safeguarding		N/A
Community Safety, Crime and Disorder		N/A
Health, Safety and Wellbeing		None
Other implications		

Appendices:

Appendix A – Partnership Funding Submission Forms

Background Papers:

Partnership Funding Report presented to Hub Committee on 10 September 2019, see:

<http://mg.swdevon.gov.uk/documents/s22991/Partnership%20Funding.pdf>