

## HOLEHIRD TRUST JOINT COMMITTEE

Minute of a meeting of the Holehird Trust Joint Committee held on Friday 25 March, 2011 at 2.30 pm at County Offices, Kendal.

### PRESENT

Mr M Stephenson (Chair)

Mrs C Feeney-Johnson  
Ms B Gray

Mr TSA Lowther  
Mr J Stephenson

### Officers in attendance

Ms S Gardner	Cumbria Community Foundation
Mrs L Graham	Senior Democratic Services Officer
Mr D Rawle	Land Agent
Mr D Routledge	Senior Accounting Technician
Ms J Williams	Solicitor

### 29. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Mr G Strong.

### 30. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Mr M Stephenson declared a personal interest in respect of agenda item no 4 – Grant Applications (no 11908 Appleby Sports Centre). The application had been forwarded by email to members for their views but Mr Stephenson had taken no part in voting on the application.

### 31. MINUTES

The Legal Services representative advised that she had held discussions with Cumbria Community Foundation regarding the application of the Objects of the Trust and these would now be included as a first link on the website to enable applicants to decide whether their application is relevant to the Holehird Trust. It was also intended to amend the form to provide for the applicant to state which objects applied to their application. The new agreement was now ready to be sent to the CCF to be signed and the Legal Services representative would circulate electronic copies to members.

Members would also be sent copies of the application forms when they were revised.

**RESOLVED**, that subject to the amendment of minute no 27(4) to read

“the sum of £120,000 (£40,000 in each of the three years of the agreement) be made available for grant distribution, plus 10% of the amount allocated for grants as fees to Cumbria Community Foundation.

The minutes of the Joint Meeting held on 16 December, 2010 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

## 32. GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Joint Committee considered a report detailing grant applications received by Cumbria Community Foundation, which included a list of applications and their eligibility criteria. All the applications presented were eligible geographically and had been selected with regard to the Trust's priorities. All projects had been assessed on the Community Foundation's standard procedure. Members were informed that **Application 11908 (Appleby Sports Centre)** which had been sent by email to members to allow it to be processed as a fast-track application had now been confirmed.

**Application 11727 Morland Short Mat Bowling Club** further to the discussion at the last meeting members were advised that Club members were mainly older people and the application was for the purchasing of a handling unit which would help in moving around the heavy mats used for bowling. The application did not meet the criteria in respect of age however the Club was located in a remote area and therefore the deprivation factor could be argued to be met.

The Committee considered each of the new funding applications before them, taking into account officer advice and the sum available for distribution. Ms Gardner introduced each application in turn, giving additional background information to assist members in their deliberations.

**Application 12007 – 1<sup>st</sup> Burton in Kendal Company – the Boy's Brigade** – this Group has been funded previously by the Trust. The application was for one boy and Ms Gardner would check that his home address was in the former county of Westmorland.

**Application 11937 – Biggins Day Nursery Ltd** – the nursery was in an isolated area. The application was for funding for pre school children to attend swimming lessons over a period of 10 weeks at Appleby pool. The member for Kendal South advised that the applicants postcode was located in the area which was number 62 in the index of multiple deprivation.

**Application 11888 – Cumbria Alcohol and Drug Advice Service (CADAS)** – funding was sought towards the STARS (Supporting Teenagers At Risk Service) project and a contribution of £15,000 towards staffing costs had been requested. The CCF were recommending a grant of £2,500. Members were concerned that there was the danger of some double funding in respect of this application from elsewhere in the County Council. Members also had concerns that the application was towards staff costs and the number of times that the organisation had sought funding from the Trust. It was agreed that more information should be sought from the organisation regarding their funding streams and where the remainder of the funding towards this project would be obtained.

**Application 11973 – Chestnut Children's Community Events** – funding was sought for a Seed to Soup project whereby children would be assisted to grow vegetables through to harvesting and consuming the produce utilising an existing garden.

**Application 12010 – Musgrave Church Field Trust** – project to continue the work undertaken with Cumbria Wildlife Trust relating to wildlife in Sacred Places project. The application would pay for 4 visits by local children to the church field to appreciate the local nature.

**Application 11931 - Heron Corn Mill Beetham** – project to provide a programme of activity for the older generation of the area to produce a community play by harnessing the memories and recordings of 12 older people who spent their working lives in the coppicing and allied trades.

**Application 11943 – Upper Eden Youth Work Project** – Christian (but open to all 11 – 18 year olds in the vicinity) project to set up a mobile youth club facility in Appleby and surrounding villages using village halls and greens. Some funding has already been provided by the Neighbourhood Forum. Members had some concerns as to whether the Trust should be funding religious settings, however, as the applicants had advised that there would be no restriction on membership on religious grounds it was agreed that the grant be awarded subject to this being confirmed with the Project and that there would be no elements of religion in the delivery of the club.

**Application 11956 – Our Place Ambleside** - this project was predominately for young women and provided for arts projects, healthy cooking sessions etc resulting in youth achievement awards.

**Application 11939 – Young Cumbria** – application towards providing activities for young people with learning disabilities to enable them to reintegrate into generic youth clubs. Members noted that the area to be covered included Penrith and Alston which were outside the former County of Westmorland although young Cumbria had advised that some of the young people attending would be from the required area. Members also proposed that their allocation to the project be directed to specific activities rather than go into the overall budget. Members agreed that Young Cumbria should be asked to provide feedback to the Trust to confirm that the majority of grant is spent on activities for young people from the former county of Westmorland.

**RESOLVED**, that the following action be approved

<b>Grant No</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Action</b>
11908	Appleby Sports Centre	Fast-track grant of £500 confirmed
12007	1 <sup>st</sup> Burton in Kendal Company – the Boy's Brigade	Grant of £325 provided the majority of club members live in the relevant area
11937	Biggins Day Nursery Ltd	Grant of £1750 for swimming lessons awarded

11888	Cumbria Alcohol and Drug Advice Service (CADAS)	Deferred pending further information on the funding streams and where the remainder of the funding towards this project would be obtained.
11973	Chestnut Children's Community Events	Grant of £2,000 awarded
12010	Musgrave Church Field Trust	Grant of £760 awarded
11931	Heron Corn Mill Beetham	Grant of £500 awarded
11943	Upper Eden Youth Work Project	Grant of £881.50 Subject to clarification regarding religion as detailed above.
11956	Our Place Ambleside	Grant of £1000 awarded
11939	Young Cumbria	Grant of £2000 towards activities" subject to a request for feedback to ensure that the majority of the grant is allocated to young people from the former county of Westmorland.

### **33. CUMBRIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AGREEMENT 2008-11: FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2009/10 AND DISTRIBUTIONS 2010/11**

(Ms Gardner left the meeting at this point).

The Committee considered a report by the Corporate Director – Resources advising that the amount available for distribution at this meeting was £20,957 and due to the current agreement with the Cumbria Community Foundation ceasing on 31 March suggesting that any under allocation be returned to the Trust's reserves. As agreed at the last meeting Cumbria Community Foundation had been re-appointed as agenda for a further three year period commencing 1 April, 2011. Following the allocations made at this meeting the sum to be returned to reserves was in the region of £10,000.

The Committee also received the Income and Expenditure Account for the 11 months ended 28 February 2011, the Balance Sheet and the Schedule of Grants paid during 2010 – 2011. Feedback information was requested on some of the grants.

**RESOLVED**, that

- (1) The remainder of the amount available for distribution at this meeting (in the region of £10,000) be returned to the Trust's Reserves.
- (2) Cumbria Community Foundation be requested to provide feedback from the following organisations to the next Joint Meeting:-
  - Bay Trust Radio
  - Different Strokes
  - Highlights Productions
  - Staveley Carnival Cooperative

### **34. PROPERTY UPDATES**

The Committee received a verbal update from Mr D Rawle who update members on various land and property issues.

The Agreement for the sale of a small area of land at Troutbeck to Inited Utilities to be used for a cabinet to house a piece of equipment in connection with the Thirlmere reservoir was being progressed with Legal Services. The Trust would receive £5000 from the sale of the land and a small financial contribution each year. The accountant was asked to provide members with details regarding the handling of capital receipts relating to the Trust.

Mr Rawle updated members regarding the continuing negotiations relating to the sale of 1 Lowfold Cottages and members offered their advice and guidance on the procedure to be followed. A further progress report would be made to the next meeting of the Committee in June.

Members were also updated on the current position concerning discussions with the Lakeland Horticultural Society for the tarn area; the Society were concerned at implications for them relating to the lease of the house. A report on this issue would be submitted to the next meeting.

The meeting concluded at 4.40pm