Community Learning Local Development Fund

Local Action Group Meeting

Thursday 24th August 2023

Tweed Horizons & Online 9.30am – 12.30pm

NOTE OF MEETING

Present:
Pip Tabor, Southern Uplands Partnership (PT) – Voluntary
Miriam Adcock**, Zero Waste Scotland (MA) –Third Sector
Hazel Smith, Re-Tweed (HS) – Third
Margaret Simpson**, Scottish Borders Social Enterprise Chamber (DF) –Third
Anna Griffin**, SEPA (AG) – Public – joined online
Lesley Forsyth**, Scottish Borders Council (LF) – Public
**= Joined Online

Secretariat:
Simon Lynch, Scottish Borders Council (Economic Development) (SL)
Gail Blacklock, Scottish Borders Council (Economic Development) (GB)

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1.0	**Welcome**	
2.0	**Apologies** Jan Pringle, SoSE-Public Gordon Smith, VisitScotland (GS) –Public Linda Cornwall, Scottish Borders Council (LC) – Secretariat Louisa Gardner, Private (LG) Luke Fisher, Tweed Forum (LF2) – Third Charles Dundas, Borders Forest Trust (CD) – Third Fiona Benton, Borders Community Action (FB) - Third Hans Waltl (HW) – Private –Chair Nesta Todd, Scottish Borders Council (Economic Development) (NT) Linda Kerr, Scottish Borders Council (Economic Development) (LK) SL confirmed the meeting was not quorate. It was agreed that the applications requiring decisions was left to a discussion only and decisions will be scored via email.	
3.0	**Conflict of Interest** There were no conflicts of interest noted.	

4.0	**CLLD 2023/24 Programme Progress Report** SL asked if everyone had received the update programme progress report. This was confirmed as was there were no questions at that time.	SL
5.0	**Review of Applications** **Alchemy** ~ Discussions took place and the group overall are in favour of this application, however the group would like • Approved with condition of Development plan for next six months (job roles/structure) and for Legacy (as part of longer wider project) to be created by applicant **Go Wild Scotland** ~ Discussions took place. It was highlighted that this is similar to school led resources that Destination Tweed are looking at, it was felt that there needs to be a wider discussion with SBC schools and linking up with Destination Tweed's programme during the project • Approve with condition applicant attends meeting(s) with SBC schools and Destination Tweed. **Interest Link** ~ Well respected organisation but clarity needed over sources of funding to avoid duplication • Approve o but only to offer after applicant confirms no duplication **Invisible Cities** ~ Discussions took place, the group noted that this was a novel project with risk but also strong potential benefits. Concerns about delivering training within the timescale of the funding and what happens to the participants after training is completed. Potential longer term interest from Employability if successful • Approve but applicant must provide development plan for next six months (incl network/partnership development) as well as a clear legacy report **Recovery Coaching Scotland** ~ Discussions took place and all in favour of this application • Approve **Strawberry Lemonade Events** ~ Discussions took place, accepted that this was a novel but risky application, that however offered potential benefits. Potential interest from Employability and Tourism organisations if this is successful • Approve £15k only but applicant must provide development plan for next six months (incl network/partnership development) as well as a clear legacy report	

	Sustainable Selkirk ~ Discussions took place. No concerns Approve	3
6.0	**Dates & Times of Future Meetings** Provisional date of 21st September to start at 9.30am. Venue: Tweed Horizons. Hybrid meeting.	SL
7.0	**AoB**	
	PT suggested that for future could there be a section added into the application asking about the future legacy of projects. SL has had conversations with a two groups who are looking for funding and asked the group on their thoughts if they would fund the purchase of a trike to use at a care home and another to replace flower beds/planters with more sustainable recycled plants. The group agreed that this is not what this fund if for.	