

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT

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| To: Policy and Resources Community Development Sub-Committee | Subject: Programme for Partnership Motherwell North Priority Partnership Area - Update |
| From: Chief Executive  |  |
| Date: 18 November 1998                                       | Ref: CE012/022/003   |

**1.0 Purpose**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider the funding recommendations identified by the Priority Partnership Area Management Group and to provide an update on activity.

**2.0 Funding Proposals**

2.1 The Management Group have identified health as a funding priority for 1998/99 and a number of proposals are being developed. A project proposal which looks at Violence Against Women has been submitted by Lanarkshire Health Trust. A copy of the funding application is available from the Chief Executive's department. This project if approved will be one of the few projects in Scotland which deals with all aspects of violence against women. The Health Board have already indicated their willingness to continue some elements of the project activity after the 3 year funding period. Provided below is a brief description of the project together with indicative costs:

Violence Against Women

The aim of the project is to seek to reduce and prevent the incidence and prevalence of male violence against women including domestic violence, rape, sexual assault and sexual abuse. It is supported by Lanarkshire Health Care Trust, Lanarkshire Health Board, Strathclyde Police, North Lanarkshire Council - Social Work, Housing and Chief Executive Departments, Motherwell Women's Aid and Procurator Fiscal, and will be managed by Management Group comprising representatives from key partner agencies. The key elements of the project are:

- service provision
- improvement and development of existing services
- community involvement

Recommendation: Support  
 Duration: 3 years  
 Funding: £190,000 (annually)

**2.2 Motherwell North Community Development Project**

Motherwell North Community Development Project is an operational project jointly funded by the PPA and European Social Fund. The project is due to terminate its funding on 31 December 1998. The Management Group determined therefore to offer the project the opportunity to apply for additional funding and as part of this process to evaluate past activity. The project is designed to provide full-time employment and training, in the field of community development, for 8 long term

unemployed people per year. The full-time employment and training involves placements with local community and voluntary organisations, and attendance at Glasgow University to undertake a course which provides the first year of the Certificate in Further Education (Community Work). Additionally the project will provide short training courses on a range of related subjects to up to 40 local people per year. Accordingly the project submitted a funding application and provided a presentation to a sub-group of the Management Group outlining their achievements to date and their future proposals. A copy of the funding application is available from the Chief Executive's department.

Recommendation: Support  
Duration: 1 year - (01/01/99 - 31/12/99)  
Funding: Jan - Mar 1999 - £ 40,000 - subject to conditions relating to the areas of activity and management of the project  
Apr - Dec 1999 - £120,000 - subject to conditions relating to the areas of activity and management of the project

2.3 The Management Group having considered the applications would recommend support of the two projects as detailed.

### **3.0 Priority Partnership Area Conversion to Social Inclusion Partnership**

3.1 The Scottish Office have now provided further guidance on the next steps that the Priority Partnership Area is required to undertake in its conversion to a Social Inclusion Partnership. The Management Group require to submit a six page report by 13 December 1998 setting out how the work of the Priority Partnership Area meets or will meet the Government's key priorities of Social Inclusion Partnerships - co-ordination, prevention and innovation.

3.2 A sub-group has been agreed to work up the report and it is anticipated that the document will be submitted to the Policy and Resources Committee on 8 December 1998.

### **4.0 Recommendations**

- (a) approve the funding proposals as outlined in the report and
- (b) otherwise note the content of this report.

  
Chief Executive