

ANGUS COUNCIL

HOUSING COMMITTEE

18 NOVEMBER 2004

**ALLOCATION OF YOUTH JUSTICE/ASB RESOURCES 2004-05 AND
2005-06**

Report by the Director of Housing

ABSTRACT

This report outlines the proposal for the expenditure of the funding allocation from Youth Justice/ASB Resources 2004-05 made available to the Angus Community Safety Partnership through the Local Action Fund. This fund is to support the provision of services, projects and activities available to all young people in Angus rather than focus on young people who have offended or are at risk of offending. The proposal was agreed by the Chief Executive and the Director of Housing on the basis that homologation would be sought at the next Housing Committee meeting.

1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the committee:-

- welcomes the allocation of £80,000 for the year 2004/05 and £86,000 for the year 2005/06; and
- homologates the decision by the Director of Housing in consultation with the Chief Executive to approve the allocation of funding as proposed by the Safe Angus for Everyone Co-ordination Group.

2. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The Scottish Executive directed £10m to provide additional support to localised action and initiatives to divert young people away from crime in the form of a Local Action Fund, which was to be made available during the years 2004/05 and 2005/06. The allocation to Angus is £80,000 for the first year and £86,000 for the second year.

At a meeting of the Safe Angus for Everyone Co-ordination Group on 15 September 2004, it was agreed that, following consultation with the local voluntary groups, local community groups and statutory partners, the recommendation for allocation should be, as detailed below:-

Project	Description	Funding Allocation	
		2004/05	2005/06
Angus Youth "Drop In" Providers	Eight community based voluntary run YOUTH DROP IN CENTRES operating across Angus to receive a funding allocation of up to £5,000 per annum towards core funding costs	£40,000	£40,000
Training	A training programme organised by CES and Volunteer Centre Angus around youth work and support volunteers	£2,000	£2,000
Monifieth BSX Initiative	Monifieth BSX Bikers Group will receive funding to enable completion of their BSX track	£2,000	
Mobile Skate Ramp	Mobile Skate Ramp to be purchased and transport provision provided to facilitate availability throughout Angus	£20,000	
Safetaysiders	To provide diversion activities during lunchtime period to encourage young people to participate in worthwhile activities during their own leisure time	£6,000	£6,000
Angus Midnight Football Project	To provide football activities on Friday evenings up until 11.30pm in Arbroath and Forfar	£10,000	£10,000

The allocation for 2005/06 will be determined in March 2005 following an evaluation of the 2004/05 allocations. Additional projects will be considered at this time and will be submitted to the Housing Committee for approval.

3. HUMAN RIGHTS

It is not considered that the implementation of the recommendations contained in this report are incompatible with human rights legislation.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Scottish Executive allocated £80,000 for the year 2004/05 and £86,000 for the year 2005/06 to support the provision of services, projects and activities available to all young people in Angus. The proposal for the full allocation of the 2004/05 funding round is included in this report. A proposal for part of the 2005/06 funding round is also included and will be subject to a review in March 2005 which will be

submitted to the Housing Committee together with proposals for the outstanding balance.

5. CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive, the Director of Finance, the Director of Education, the Director of Law and Administration, Volunteer Centre Angus, Management Committees of Voluntary Youth Drop-in Centres and Tayside Police have been consulted during the preparation of this report.

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Note: No background papers as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing this paper.