

Case Study

Integrated Grant Fund

Community Facilities Social Enterprise Fund

The *Community Facilities Social Enterprise Fund* supports local communities to make better use of existing infrastructure; particularly those buildings that are currently underused or face difficulty. It encourages the development of long-term sustainability of organisations and provides opportunities for applicants to build their capacity. It is targeted at organisations which are on the pathway to community management of Council Facilities. The funding is available annually and examples of organisations funded during 2014/15 are as follows:

North West Women's Centre, situated in the North West area of the city, the Centre facilitates the support and empowerment of women by offering a safe, positive, accessible environment to build confidence, raise aspirations and develop their potential. Funding was provided to commission a Feasibility Study and Architectural Services to explore the possibility of an extension to the building allowing the Centre to increase both its services and generated income.

Connect Community Trust, based in the North East of the city was awarded funding for the development of a client management database and website. The database allows the Trust to monitor all four of its community run facilities, which in turn will increase the funding and contract opportunities as a whole due to the ability to show a client journey and the impact the services have had on both the individual and the wider community. Further development of the website will allow for the Trust to publicise activities and services further afield which will increase generated income through external catering and hall hire.

Toryglen Community Hall, based in the South side is a social hub for the community providing a range of recreational, social and educational activities. Funding was provided to support the purchase and installation of a new boiler and ceiling in the main hall as the current ceiling was not insulated. This is part of a phased enhancement and upgrade programme for the hall. The boiler and insulated ceiling provide a warm, welcoming environment for the community as well as saving in heating bills, making the hall more energy efficient.