

Appendix 1

Key Criteria and Principles for the Fund

Key Criteria of the Fund

The Fund should be used for ***building capacity in the community*** and in achieving this there is a need to show how the proposed project supports delivery of the Sustainable Community Strategy. The proposed projects will also have to show how they will be sustainable in the long term. Particular focus should be given to:

- Increasing the capacity of the Civil Society
- Increasing the capacity of Communities
- Public Sector capacity / collaborative working
- Technology and infrastructure
- Local Business capacity
- Supporting vulnerable people

Principles of the Fund

- It should be used to **build capacity in the community**
- Any projects funded should be aware that this is **one-off funding**
- It should be used to **Pump Prime activity** which becomes **sustainable** in its own right
- It should be used to reduce the need for future funding and be built around **Invest to Save** principles
- Any projects funded should have an **exit strategy** in place
- Applications should include **realistic milestones**