

Appendix B

Bristol Impact Fund Allocations Advisory Panel – Summary of Allocations process

The proposals that have been appraised as ‘fundable’ (those that scored over 66% in each of the impact, quality and VfM elements of the technical appraisal) are taken to Allocations Advisory Panel.

Information and data is presented to the panel and is made available to them through a closed Alfresco group to include:

- The fundable proposals mapped against wards
- Context map overlays
- Links to JSNA and strategic intelligence data sources
- Proposal and budget information for fundable Medium & Large Grant proposals (Part 2 applications)
- Overview of the proposals by Key Challenge, showing proposal summary, targeted equalities groups and outcomes
- Proposal and budget information for fundable Small Grant proposals (Step 3 applications)

The mapping process uses data from the application forms (key challenge(s) addressed, beneficiary groups targeted, equalities groups targeted, wards serviced, location of organisations) and plotted this information for each proposal. Information has also been plotted for context maps for Child Poverty, DWP Out of Work Benefits Persistence; DWP Youth Claimant Rate Persistence; Fuel Poverty; Health Deprivation and Disability; Income Deprivation; Multiple Deprivation.

Each panel member reads all the fundable Medium/Large Grant proposals and for each of these proposals the panel members consider the following two questions and use a simple matrix to put forward their own view about if the proposal should be funded:

Q1. Does the proposal address at least 1 Key Challenge for communities in the most deprived area(s) of the City? (Based on the mapping information we have provided, and on their knowledge of local need, existing pattern of provision and resources).

Q2. Does the proposal address at least 1 Key Challenge for the communities of interest that are most disadvantaged? (Based on the information we have provided, and on their knowledge of local need, existing pattern of provision and resources available to those communities).

Each proposal is then discussed as a whole panel, which aims to reach an agreement about allocation. These discussions also question and consider how the proposal complements or duplicates other proposals or existing provision.

The results of these discussions are then analysed, costed and mapped. The analysis and interim maps show the recommendations in terms of key challenges, equalities groups, beneficiaries and spatial distribution (specified ward coverage).

A draft Equality Impact Assessment, which has been widened for this process, is done alongside this to identify any risks and/or gaps. Where risks/gaps are identified we will make recommendations about appropriate actions to remedy them.

This process continues until the Panel is satisfied that their allocation recommendations offer the best mix of proposals to give a spread and balance of provision across the city, in order to achieve the best possible impacts for people facing disadvantage.