

Report to Darlaston and Bentley Area Panel Meeting

Funding Report

January 2017

1. Context

- 1.1 Following the change to the Council's Constitution in May 2013, Area Panels now have the responsibility for approving any project funding applications that are received through Area Partnerships.
- 1.2 This report sets out any project applications that have been carried forward from the previous financial year, projects that have been approved under urgency by Area Managers, in consultation with the Area Chair and Vice Chair and relevant Ward Councillors) and those projects that are being put forward for consideration by the Area Panel (attached at Appendix 1).
- 1.3 Any project applications received by the Area Partnership team, will be assessed against a set of criteria (the delivery of the Area Community Plan and The Walsall Plan) before being put forward to the Area Panel for consideration. Only valid applications that fulfil the criteria will be put to the Area Panel for decision.
- 1.4 Any projects that do not meet the criteria will be referred back to the project applicant for further information or a re-submission.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Area Panel is requested to consider the summarised project applications, set out in Appendix 1 (attached).

3. Carried Forward Projects

- 3.1 There were no projects carried forward from 2015 / 16.

4 Projects Approved

4.1 The following projects were approved at previous Area Panels:

Workstreams:

SB = Supporting businesses to thrive and supporting local people in to work

H&W-B = Improving health and well-being and independence for older people

SSIC = Creating safe, sustainable and inclusive communities

C&YP = Improving safeguarding, learning and the life chances for children and young people

Project	Allocated Funding (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)	Date Approved
Mindful Gifts CIC: Therapeutic Activities for all	£500	£0	HWB SSIC	Both	13/7/16
Darlaston Youth Centre: I.T Learning Hub	£4000	£0	CH/ YP SSIC HWB Employment	Both	13/7/16
The House on the Corner Community Centre: Replacing Aging Computers	£250 APPLICATION WITHDRAWN IN SEPTEMBER 2016	£378	SSIC HWB Employment	Bentley and Darlaston North	13/7/16
West Midlands Police Crime Prevention Darlaston/Bentley	£2000	£0	SSIC HWB	Both	13/7/2016
Moxley Peoples Centre	£1000	£0	SSIC HWB	Darlaston South	13/7/2016

Boxing Club and Asian Fashion			CHYP		
Rowley Robins	£1500	£0	CHYP	Both	13/7/2016
Play and Stay Group for parents within Darlaston					
Flowers for the Vulnerable Community Project	£900	£594	SSIC HWB	Both	13/7/2016
Aim High Work Support Club	£4000	£8986.40	Employment SSIC HWB	Both	13/7/2016
H.O.P.E.S Project (Holiday Opportunities Promoting Employment & Safeguarding) – Moorcroft Wood Primary School	£2000	£2660	Employment SSIC ChYP HWB	Darlaston South	13/7/16
Summer Sensation – Darlaston Locality Team (Sure Start)	£1000	£0	CHYP HWB SSIC	Darlaston North and Bentley	13/7/2016
Darlaston All Active – Disabled and Elderly Social Excursions	£200	£280	HWB SSIC	Both	13/7/2016
Darlaston Town FC – Equipment	£1228	£321	HWB SSIC	Both	21/09/2016
Darlaston Town FC Pantomine	£350	£443	SSIC	Both	21/09/2016
Darlaston All Active	£610	£2345	SSIC	Both	21/09/2016

Pass It On	£1000	Volunteer time	SSIC HWB	Both	16/11/16
Darlaston Sure Start Xmas Event	£1000	Staff and volunteer time	CHYP SSIC	Both	16/11/16
Darlaston Town Centre Xmas Event	£1000	£13086	All	Both	16/11/16

Total funding approved **£22,288**

5. Project Applications for Consideration from 2016 / 2017 Funding

- 5.1 Attached at Appendix 1 are the summarised project applications deemed valid against Area Partnership funding criteria and put forward to the Area Panel for consideration. An allocation of £30,000 is available for financial year 2016 / 17
- 5.2 The total proposed projects in Appendix 1 for the panels' consideration is **£3078**
- 5.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£4634** to approve project applications for the remainder of the financial year.

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Appendix 1

Project	Description	Project Timescales	Funding Requested (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)
Healthwatch Walsall	Funding is requested to allow Healthwatch to organise a large community based event in a central venue (Darlaston Town Hall) inviting all ages to attend to take part in a health and well being focused day. Funding will pay for event organisation including room hire, refreshments and publicity costs. The purpose will be to work with health professionals and local community organisations to publicise and inform local residents about health issues such as smoking, health checks, healthy eating, diabetes, obesity, substance misuse and so on in a fun and accessible manner. The event will be arranged on a Saturday in March with lots of fun and interactive activities for all ages to take part in. We will be encouraging people to find out more about local projects such as from walking, to sports, to those provided by groups who will also be invited to showcase their activities.	1 st March 2017 – 31 st March 2017	£500	Healthwatch will pay for entertainment and activities as a match funded contribution.	SSIC HWB	Both
Darlaston Remembers	To pay for the organisation of a remembrance day parade in Darlaston. This is the first	01/02/2017 – 15/11/17	£2000	£3000	CHYP SSIC	Both

	<p>event to be organised by the group following changes to LA budget. Funding will initially pay for wristbands, road closures, marshals and insurance, cleaning and signage of the event. We would also like to arrange refreshments for attendants following the event in order to maximize fundraising opportunities and volunteer recruitment in order to build up and sustain this first event. This project as a first will intend to raise awareness throughout the year of the importance and relevance of Remembrance Day to the people of Darlaston.</p>					
Darlaston All Active Community Website	<p>To pay for the upgrade of current website in order to make it more accessible to all, mobile friendly and with more up to date and attractive information available. The current website was created in 2009 and requires to be modernized and also more about other local community events and activities as well as those being delivered by DAA.</p> <p>We will create an online community hub for Darlaston and ensure that others have access to being able to add information such as Area Partnership, Darlaston Youth Centre, Moxley People's</p>	November 2016 – March 2017	£578	£1,050	SSIC HWB Ec Dev	Both

	Centre, Friends of Darlaston Town Hall. We will also be upskilling our volunteers in website development as they will be working to help us keep it updated.					
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