

Report to Brownhills/Pelsall/Rushall & Shelfield Area Panel

Funding Report

15th July 2014

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 Below are projects that were approved in financial year 2013/14 , but, for various reasons, were not completed in that financial year, therefore, a request has been made to carry forward these funds for projects to be completed during this financial year:

Project	Description	Allocated Funding (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)

Workstreams:

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

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4 Projects Approved

4.1 The following projects were approved at previous Area Panels.

Project	Allocated Funding (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)	Date Approved
CCTV Deployment	£2000.00	N/a	SSIC	All	31/3/14
Community Payback & Princes Trust Work	£1000.00	N/a	All	All	31/3/14
High Heath Christmas Event	£1500.00	N/a	SSIC	Rushall & Shelfield	31/3/14
Cherwell Drive Youth Hub	£1150	N/a	C&YP	Brownhills	1/5/14
Brownhills Canal Festival	£701	N/a	All	Brownhills	1/5/14
Foodbank	£1500	N/a	All	All	1/5/14
Access to Forest Learning	£846	N/a	C&YP	Pelsall	1/5/14

5 Project Applications for Consideration

- 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.
- 5.2 The total proposed projects in Appendix 1 for the panels' consideration is **£10480.99**
- 5.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£20822.01** 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)
Fordbrook Bridge Project	To improve security on the bridge to prevent young people from throwing missiles onto oncoming traffic. The Area Partnership in discussions with the Sustrans will be looking to install a type of mesh fencing or a similar security design which will prevent anyone from being able to throw anything from the bridge	July 2014 – October 2014	£1500.00	£4500.00 Sustrans	SSIC	Pelsall
IYPSS	To initiate a run a themed summer provision of activities across the area called “Summer Of change” which will aim to improve health and well being for all attendees. The aim is to include the NHS in the programme of activities in order to reduce the rising levels of obesity. The young people will take part in new foods and activities on a sessional basis as well as having discussions with health professionals	27/7/14 – 31/8/14	£1158.00	£1700.00 IYPSS	H&W-B SSIC C & YP	All

Numeracy Boost	<p>Our project aims to meet the more challenging requirements for children to know their number facts and times tables from an earlier age, which is a statutory requirement from the new Primary Curriculum 2014. The new curriculum focuses on children building firm foundations in maths and there is a greater focus on number facts and timetables, which are all fundamental to this expectation.</p> <p>Our project aims to build on the current classroom learning activities and promote outdoor learning of number facts and times tables activities across the school in a fun and interactive way, engaging with both pupils and parents and offering opportunities for children and parents from local schools to join us for community events improving learning and life chances for children and young people</p>	1/9/14-31/3/15	£1418.00	£5674.00 School	CSSI & C/YP	Pelsall
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Howdles Lane	To install bollards and mark out parking bays in a well used parking area that is used by the residents of Brownhills west. The parking area concerned is located by a row of shops	1/9/14-30/10/14	£1824.99	£1834.99 WHG	SSCI	Brownhills
Libraries Summer Activities Workshops	To provide 3 summer activities workshops aimed at children over 10 years old during the summer holidays 2014. Children will learn something different and new ways to be creative. The activities are aimed to get children over the age of 10 years old to partake in the Summer Reading Challenge.	12/7/14-6/9/14	£183.00	N/a	C & YP	All
Young people's Summer Play scheme	To help finance a summer play scheme for young people aged 4 -12 years old during the six weeks holidays. Brownhills Community would fund the helpers support costs but we need help to finance the leader in Charge wages	28/7/14 – 28/8/14	£2025.00	N/a	C & YP	All

Brownhills Canoe centre Car Park	<p>To make good the car park area at Brownhills Canoe and Outdoor centre as it is going into a state of disrepair with large pot holes appearing there. Brownhills Canoe and Outdoor centre would be requesting half of the costs</p> <p>When the Canoe and Outdoor Centre first opened 10 years ago we were supposed to have the car park area tarmac through the 106 money, unfortunately this never happened.</p> <p>They put down some stone chippings which have lasted until the last couple of years where now large craters are appearing in the certain areas.</p>	28/7/14 – 31/8/14	£2372.00	£2372.00 Brownhills CA	SSCI	Brownhills
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