Palfrey and Pleck Local Neighbourhood Partnership – 5th January 2006

Funding Priorities for Action

Portfolio: Local Partnerships

Service Area: Neighbourhood Services Wards: Pleck Ward & Palfrey Ward

Summary of report

The purpose of the report is to inform Members of the Palfrey and Pleck Local Neighbourhood Partnership of progress to date with the funding priorities.

Recommendations

- (1) For LNP members to note the progress to date
- (2) For the LNP to review progress at the next meeting
- (3) To note each project will be formally assessed by the LNP Project Team to ensure they meet all of the agreed criteria.
- (4) To note each project will be passed to the relevant council officer who will liaise with project champion when required

Progress

The following are projects which were identified by the LNP and relevant project champions (where applicable)

- 1. Alley Gating Project Champion: Councillor Yasin
- 2. Use of CCTV Project Champion: Mark Pulford
- 3. Alumwell Exclusion TYS and Motiv8 programme- Project Champion: Eileen Edwards
- 4. Fly-tipping to the rear of fruit Shop Bescot Street/ Sun Street
- 5. Health Centre for the Delves Project Champion: Councillor Yasin
- 6. Palfrey and Pleck One Stop Shop
- 7. Boundary fencing to Palfrey Park Project Champion: Mark Pulford
- 8. Multi use games area near Joseph Leckie school- Project Champion: Peter Anderson
- 9. PR and Awareness Litter and Spitting, Press article promoting the LNP Project Champions: Allah Ditta and Matloob Hussain
- 10. Woodwards Close/ Woodwards Road Environmental Improvements-Project Champion: Councillor Sarohi

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Funding Priority Identified through Workshop	Service Area	Feedback from Service Area	What Happens Next?
Alley gating:- New Mill Street Countess Street Earl Street	Safer Walsall Borough Partnership	Countess Street/ Earl Street/Clews Close, Victor Street and Bescot Street have been identified as falling into "Hot spots". Therefore have progressed to the next stage (consultation with residents/ stakeholders).	Await information on how these schemes are progressing
Alumwell Exclusion Programme - Linked to the TYS scheme, supplement the scheme with 5-a-side football, bike track and cricket pitches	Environmental Regeneration	 Multi use games area to be included in the TYS scheme, which will incorporate 5 a side football, basketball and cricket. Re-surfacing Entrance and boundary improvements to be included 	 Practical Completion January 2006 LNP not required to allocate any funding
- Motiv8' programme	Groundwork Black Country	Groundwork Black Country developing proposal	 Feedback will be given at LNP meeting on 5th January

Fly- tipping and dumping to the rear of fruit shop corner of Bescot/ Sun Street	Street Pride	 Private Garden Issues around access (obstructed by shed or old building) Approximate 70 cubic meters of rubbish has collated and would need a JCB to remove it 	 Feedback will be given at the LNP meeting on 5th January Possibly no cost to the LNP
Health Centre for Delves area incorporating several GPs and other medical care.	tPCT	The tPCT is not planning to build a dedicated Health Centre in the locality as current provision has recently been reviewed. The tPCT would however, be happy to work in partnership with other Agencies and the Community to discuss this further	 LNP to host an event with regards to gathering more information about other services that may be required Possibly no cost to LNP
Palfrey and Pleck One Stop Shop – Link into the Putting the citizen first scheme, being rolled out across the borough	Walsall MBC	The approach to rolling out local access points is being considered, and thus information will be sent to future cabinet and LNP meetings	 Await information from Walsall MBC about when rollout is planned LNP not required to allocate any funding

Fencing around Bowling Green (in Palfrey Park)	Parks and amenities	 Awaiting outcome of a Capital Investment Choices Bid for £40k towards the project. The bid highlighted the £5k commitment from the LNP 	Expected date of funding approval - March 2006
 Develop a play area for all ages:- Multi ball pitch (including football, basketball), swings, slides, roundabouts and surfacing Possible link this into an environment/ education project linked to the stream 		 Site visit on 26th August identified 3 sites – Former Youth Club site, West Bromwich Road (near Joseph Leckie School); Site at rear of TMO office, West Bromwich Road and the Former Fullbrook Nursery Site, West Bromwich Road Most favourable site: former youth club site (near Joseph Leckie School) – due to visibility and natural surveillance See Appendix 1 for more information 	For the LNP to look to approve recommendations made by Tom Briscoe, for project to be developed further

Develop a programme of education around issues associated around Litter/Spitting. – link these into the local schools	Street Pride	 Option 1: Presentation to schools in LNP area around Litter and spitting. Cost implications: none Option 2: employ a theatre group 'Eco-girl' to produce a tailored show around the issue of Litter and spitting. Cost implications: £310 per school 	LNP Chair's Forum have agreed to rollout Eco-School across Walsall; Cost implications to LNP – None (as source of funding is from a cross LNP budget)
 Press article celebrating the LNP area 	Communications & Marketing	Costs for different options drawn up (see Appendix 2)	 LNP resolved to refer this to a Task Group meeting and involve the Police
Environmental Improvements to Woodwards Close/ Woodwards Road	Street Pride	 Land owned by WHG Maintenance agreement with street pride Arrangements for a litter pick in August, with a ongoing programme approx 6-8 weeks thereafter Apple tree to be removed Highways looking at slabs (which were previously removed) Street Pride hotline – 01922 653344 	Further information to be given at the LNP meeting on 5 th January

New Project Proposal	Sports Coaching Opportunities	Alumwell Community Association	 Carryout sports Coaching for young people (Similar to Groundwork Black Country Project, therefore looking at combining projects) 	Information will be given at the LNP meeting on 5 th January
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APPENDIX 1

Palfrey & Pleck LNP: Thursday 5th January 2005

Brief Report

Area: Delves

Proposal: To develop three open spaces within the Delves area for the purpose of providing facilities for children, young people and residents within the community.

Background: The three proposed phases of work was borne out of several months of consultation with Peter Anderson, a volunteer community worker, who, alongside other residents from the community, worked with Keith Rimmer, the Play Area Manager, the Greenspace Improvement Service (myself) and Chris Brown, our Landscape Architect to produce three phases of work in three areas of open space that we had identified. We feel that these projects would benefit the residents of Delves and plans and costs at this early stage have already been completed.

The phases of work are as follows:-

Phase 1: Youth Facility



To develop the open space next to Joseph Leckie School (Former youth club) by installing a Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)

Phase 2: Play Facility



To develop the former Fullbrook Nursery and create a new play area with safer surfacing and new fencing

Phase 3: Nature Reserve



To develop the open space at the back of the TMO/Library to create a wildlife/nature reserve. This would include installing informal paths around the site, and installing a 'link' bridge over the stream which would benefit the school in terms of using the site for conservation /educational purposes.

Funding & Consultation: At this early stage, there has been no funding secured and detailed consultation is still to take place with the community.

Actions: The purpose of this brief report is to seek approval from the Local Neighbourhood Partnership to develop these projects and to work in partnership with the LNP and other community groups in the local area in putting together detailed funding applications to external funding bodies.

Land Ownership Details: We are currently looking into this and will submit an expression of interest to the relevant bodies once the LNP has made a decision on these proposals

Timescales: If the LNP approve the proposals, we would be looking at completion of all three phases of works by the summer of 2007.

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