LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIPS

ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES

Following the allocation of resources by Cabinet to LNPs, work has been undertaken in each area to identify local priorities to utilise this funding.

Following approval of £250,000 (£11,000 per ward) by Cabinet in March 2005, LNPs have been considering priorities for their area identified by their task group. Progress on this is reported on a quarterly basis to the main LNP meeting.

The attached table gives a breakdown of projects approved by each LNP. Willenhall and St Matthews, Birchills and Leamore LNPs are still in the process of developing their projects. Willenhall has one project for Christmas lights which is in the final stages of approval. St Matthews is working with Community Arts to develop projects for their area.

There is no imperative for the funding to be spent by the end of March 2006 so the LNP can develop the proposals that they see fit for their area rather than trying to meet a funding deadline.

LNPs are receiving support from the LNP team, the External Funding team and various services within the Council to develop projects and further ideas. Some of the initial ideas put forward by the LNP have been actioned at no cost to the LNP.

This information has previously been shared at the LNP Chairs Forum, which meets on a monthly basis. Also, in an effort to help LNPs generate ideas, the LNP team has shared this table at task group meetings.

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