

Report to Darlaston and Bentley Area Panel Meeting

Funding Report

**26 January
2016**

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 2014 / 15.

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
Darlaston and Bentley Environmental Activity Programme 2015	£3765	Volunteer time	H&WB	All	24.03.15
Darlaston and Bentley Big Clean Up	£2000	None	H&WB	All	18.05.15
Summer Fun Day at the Pavillion	£972.31	None	All	All	15.07.15
Darlaston Party in the Park	£500	None	All	All	15.07.15
Darlaston Boxing Club	£2065	£400	HWB, SSIC, CYP	All	15.07.15
Women Inspired	£570	None	HWB, CYP, SSIC	All	15.07.15
Moxley After School Club	£4245	None	SSIC, CYP	D South	15.07.15
Darlaston by the Sea	£1495	£3000	All	All	15.07.15
Road Safety Awareness in Darlaston	£1310	None	SSIC	All	16.09.15

Teens and Toddlers Youth Development Programme	£1270	£3240	H &WB SSIC C&YP	All	16.09.15
Walsall Tenants and Residents Fed – Community Training Programme	£915	£894	SSIC	All	16.09.15
Darlaston Christmas Festivities	£2095	£2218	SSIC H & WB	All	16.09.15
Darlaston Noticeboard	£3100	None	All	All	12.11.15
Darlaston All Active Xmas Party	£770	£950	SSIC & HWB	All	12.11.15
OHPP Kitchen Improvement Project	£751.98	None	SSIC & HWB	All	12.11.15
Darlaston Town FC Pantomime	£650	£436	SSIC	All	12.11.15
Community Safety Crown Court Project	£1900	None	SSIC	All	12.11.15

Total funding approved - £28,374.29

5. **Project Applications for Consideration from 2015 / 2016 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.
- 5.2 The total proposed projects in Appendix 1 for the panels' consideration is **£11,472.99**
- 5.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£152.72** 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)
Therapeutic Activities for All – Mindful Gifts CIC	To deliver a range of activities in February and March 2016 for people with dementia and their carers in our new premises in Darlaston. We want to promote the shop to increase footfall and also make it a more accessible space for wheelchair users. Activities include crocheting, knitting, art therapy which will help to reduce isolation and create a welcoming place for people with similar needs and issues. We also offer volunteer work placements and by increasing the number of activities we offer this will also help take on more volunteers.	Feb – March 2016	£4500	5 x part time volunteers will deliver the activities on a weekly basis	SSIC H &WB	All

Second Chance Cancer Choir	To pay for costs of rehearsal sessions for the choir which is based in Darlaston where members either have cancer or have had their lives affected by cancer. The choir provides performances across Walsall and has a positive impact on members and their families. All sessions are run by volunteers.	February – March 2016	£1301	£1700	SSIC HWB chYP	All
Olio Youth Club	To support the youth group to purchase new equipment that will allow more activities to be provided for children and young people across Darlaston. Sessions are for 7 – 19 year olds and free. We aim to contribute to reducing asb in the area by offering a range of engaging activities in a safe and welcoming environment which includes a music studio and gym. Items to be purchased include DJ equipment, arts, crafts and cookery items etc.	February – March 2016	£930	£1400 in kind	SSIC & CHYP	All

Darlaston Air Cadets Youth Kit project	To assist with the development of the group by contributing towards costs of activities including training courses for young people from the Darlaston area who are interested in aviation and youth activities. We will be able to loan more kit and increase the numbers attending and also purchase new camping equipment for the events we organize on a regular basis. We will attend local community events and publicize our activities in local schools to gain more members from across the area. This will contribute towards reducing anti social behaviour.	Feb 2016 – March 2016	£2450	None	SSIC HWB CHYP	All
Darlaston Rotary Community Project	Funding will allow the group to purchase equipment to deliver more local activities and increase membership and volunteers. The project includes supporting local young people who are homeless and to also support others across Darlaston who find themselves in need. We carry out regular fundraising throughout the year with all monies donated to local good causes. We will be working with St Basils and Walsall Street Teams to raise awareness of homelessness, sexual exploitation, grooming and trafficking of young people throughout 2016. New equipment will allow us to deliver presentations, promote what we are doing and develop our organisation to recruit more volunteers including young people throughout the year.	February 2016 – March 2016	£1663	Volunteer time in kind	SSIC HWB CHYP	All

Church on the Corner IT Equipment	To purchase new computer and printer for service users to access at our facility and also for the centre to be able to upgrade its software and equipment. It will allow the organisation to run more efficiently with new and upgraded IT.	Feb – March 2016	£628.99	None	SSIC HWB	All
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