Report to Darlaston & Bentley Area Panel Meeting

Funding Report 18th May 2015

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 2013/2014.

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
Family Fun Day 12 th July and 13 th December	£920	None	SSIC	All	8 July 2014
Darlaston JET	£10,000	£85,000 – Steps to Work £5000 – Landlord waiving rent fees £25,000 – funding still to be secured	SB	All	8 July 2014
Moxley Summer Scheme	£600	£150 - Moxley People's Centre	C&YP	Darlaston South	23 July 2014
Aim High Job Club	£4665.98	£14,979 - ESF Funding £3727.50 - Old Hall People's Partnership	SB	Darlaston North & Bentley	23 July 2014
Boy Racers in Moxley	£490	£600 - Existing road safety and operation budget £1500 - WMP staff budget £500 - Building services	SSIC	Darlaston South	23 July 2014
Bentley Buddies	£1750	£1300 - Old Hall People's Partnership	H&WB	Darlaston North & Bentley	23 July 2014

Teens and Toddlers Youth Development Programme	£838.00	£3510.08 - Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust	C & YP	All	15 September 2014
Darlaston Festivities	£1095	None	SB	All	15 September 2014
Rowlands Close Security Improvements	£760	£760 - Whg	SSIC	Darlaston North & Bentley	15 September 2014
Darlaston Winter Lighting Scheme	£2000	£2500 - Darlaston Town Centre Partnership £3000 - Whg £1000 - Accord £14678 - Business sponsorship and grant funding (ongoing not confirmed)	SB &SSCI	Darlaston North & Bentley	15 September 2014
Bentley Community Centre	£2150	£3437 - Old Hall People's Partnership	H&W-B	Darlaston North & Bentley	11 November 2014
Darlaston Town FC - Bentley Leisure Pavilion	£1600	£8,645 - DTFC reserves and generated income	All	Darlaston North & Bentley	27 January 2015
Sustainable Services Community Consultation	£1750	£1750 - Community Hubs	SSIC	Darlaston South	27 January 2015
Crime Prevention Items - Darlaston/Bentley	£3000	None	SSIC	Both wards	24 th March 2015
Fencing Improvements Alexander Road Allotments	£1600	None	SSIC	Darlaston North and Bentley	24 th March 2015

4.2 Project applications approved 2015/2016 for funding

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 th March 2015

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

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 £2000.00
- 5.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of £34,235 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)
Darlaston and Bentley Big Clean Up	To fund activities and additional resources from Clean and Green over the week beginning 15 th June – 19 th June coordinated by the Area Manager. The project aims to raise awareness of environmental issues including enforcement messages about dog fouling, littering and fly tipping. Additional signage will be purchased for green spaces and community litter picks will take	15 th June – 19 th June 2015	£2000	None	SSIC	All
	place throughout the week to promote volunteering.					