Report to Walsall South Area Panel

Funding Report

15 December 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) |
|---|---|--------------------------|--|---------------|--------------------------|
| The Chuckery – Pocket Places for People | Pocket Places aims to focus on urban areas and reclaim a series of 'pocket places' for people to re-knit the social and physical fabric of the community. By engaging with the community, the project will identify areas of concern for the community and match these with the best solutions. | £5000 | £112,000 – People's Health Trust £30,000 – Walsall Council Revenue Funding £20,000 – Walsall Council Capital Funding | SSIC | Paddock & St Matthews |

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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 |
|---|-----------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| Chuckery Festival 2014 | £3500 | £3500 (Whg & Business Support | SB, H&W-B, SSIC, C&YP | All | 1 April 2014 |
| Domehawk Deployment and Repair | Up to £1000 | N/A | SSIC | All | 1 April 2014 |
| Promotion of local activity and advice | £2500 | N/A | SB, H&W-B, SSIC, C&YP | All | 1 April 2014 |
| Palfrey Park Outdoor Gym | £5000 | £17,500 (Clean & Green, Whg and Awards for All*) *Awaiting confirmation if all funding bids were successful | H&W-B | Palfrey | 1 April 2014 |
| Creating independence – reducing the risk of social isolation | £2500 | £2700 (Palfrey Sure Start) | SSIC, H&W-B | All | 1 April 2014 |
| My Future | £425 | In kind - Staffing and venue to deliver the sessions, equipment and resources | C&YP | All | 1 April 2014 |
| Football Fitness for Families | £1467 | £1066 (Palfrey Sure Start) | H&W-B | Palfrey & St Matthews | 1 April 2014 |
| Healthy Eating on a Budget | £1400 | None | H&W-B | St Matthews and Paddock | 1 April 2014 |

| Baby Space | £1270 | £1270 – Palfrey Sure Start | C&YP | Palfrey, St Matthews & Paddock | 17 July 2014 |
|--|----------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Healthier Walsall Young People | £945 | £660 - IYPSS | H&W-B, C&YP | All | 17 July 2014 |
| Hate Crime Creative Awareness Project | £500 | £872 - IYPSS | SSIC | All | 17 July 2014 |
| South Area Steering group – Peer Mentoring Programme | £1571.80 | £1860 - IYPSS | C&YP | All | 17 July 2014 |
| Mehndi Workshop | £20 | £54 – Library Services | C&YP | Palfrey | 17 July 2014 |
| Circus Skills Workshop | £100 | £54 – Library Services | C&YP | Pleck | 17 July 2014 |
| Walsall Homeless Outreach | £1000 | £5190 – As Suffa Walsall | SSIC, H&W-B | All | 17 July 2014 |
| Drug and Alcohol Awareness Project | | | H&W-B, C&YP | All | 17 July 2014 |
| Mental Wellbeing and Healthy Living | £2451.30 | £2990 – Aaina Community Hub | H&W-B | St Matthews & Palfrey | 17 July 2014 |
| Walsall Mela | £2000 | £7000 – volunteer time | H&W-B, SSIC, C&YP | All | 17 July 2014 |

| Speed reduction - West Bromwich Road | £2000 | £1800 - Engineering & Transportation £800 - Highways | SSIC | St Matthews / Palfrey | 2 October 2014 |
|--|-------|---|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Bath Road/Little London Security Improvements | £2100 | None | SSIC | St Matthews | 2 October 2014 |
| Archery Club for Palfrey | £2000 | £1000 - West Midlands Police £2370 - Victory Walsall Archers | H&W-B / C&YP | All | 2 October 2014 |
| Park Hall Open Space | £300 | None | SSIC / H&W-B | Paddock | 2 October 2014 |
| Maths Class | £1990 | £2640 - Volunteer time | C&YP | All | 2 October 2014 |
| Hi's n Lows Cleanup | £2500 | Volunteer Time | SSIC / H&W-B | All | 2 October 2014 |

4. De-committed Funding

5.1 Funding has been de-committed for the following project(s) during this financial year.

| Project | Allocated Funding (£) | Match Funding (£) | Workstream(s) | Ward(s) | Reason |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|-------------------|---------|---|
| Mehndi Workshop | £20 | £54 – Library Services | C&YP | Palfrey | Artist has not invoiced for workshops due to problems with arrival times. |
| Walsall Mela | £2000 | £7000 – volunteer time | H&W-B, SSIC, C&YP | All | Informed via email that due to lack of funds the event would not go ahead. |
| Drug and Alcohol Awareness Project | £800 | £1000 – Community Cohesion funding for sports days £5000 – Guru Nanak Temple | H&W-B, C&YP | All | Grant agreement not returned within specified dates and no feedback from organisation as to whether the project went ahead. |

6 Project Applications for Consideration

- 6.1 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.
- 6.2 The total proposed projects in Appendix 1 for the panels' consideration is £2149.90
- 6.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave £1330.00 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) |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------|---------|
| Caldmore Outdoor Cinema | Caldmore outdoor cinema will happen at least once a month in Caldmore Community Garden, starting from March 2015 and continuing throughout the year. Each month we will be showing a different film presenting a culture from Caldmore. The screening will be accompanied by talks and culture days presenting ethnic cuisines and traditions. It aims to create a cinema club in Caldmore that would bring together all community groups, especially new migrants who have not previously been involved. | 1 January 2015 - 31 March 2015 | £1849.90 | £774 - Near Neighbours Funding £200 - Caldmoreaccord £932.50 - Volunteer Time | SSIC | All |
| Gility Shopping Centre - Park Hall Area NW Notice Board | Provision of a Park Hall Area neighbourhood Watch notice board at the Gility Shopping Centre which would also be used by West Midlands Police to provide crime prevention and other neighbourhood watch information to encourage a safer environment for the benefit of our members and other residents. | 1 January 2015 - 31 March 2015 | £300.00 | £300 - Park Hall Area Neighbourhood Watch | SSIC | Paddock |

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