

**Report to Aldridge and Beacon Area Panel**

**Funding Report**

**17 August 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

### 3. Projects Approved

3.1 The following projects were approved at previous Area Panels during the financial year 2016/17.

<b>Applicant / Project</b>	<b>Allocated Funding (£)</b>	<b>Match Funding (£)</b>	<b>Workstream(s)</b>	<b>Ward(s)</b>	<b>Date Approved</b>
Birchills Children's Centre Sensory Session / Play & Stay	£1,250	£1,150 from Brownhills AP volunteer time from Children's Centre	SSIC C & YP	Aldridge South & Central	12/7/2016
Blackwood Pavilion User Group Table Tennis Project	£1,800	N/A	H & W-B SSIC C & YP	Streetly	12/7/2016
Oak Park Bowls Club Club House	£545	£5,450 from Cory Environmental	H & W-B SSIC	Aldridge North & Walsall Wood	12/7/2016
Aldridge Shed Aldridge Shed Start-up Project	£3,000	N/A	H & W-B SSIC	Aldridge South & Central	12/7/2016
Aldridge Youth Theatre Summer Workshop Project	£500	Aldridge Youth Theatre contributing the remaining £1,600	SSIC C & YP	Aldridge South & Central	12/7/2016
Purchase of Covert Cameras Community Protection, Walsall Council	£4,800	N/A	SSIC	All wards	12/7/2016
Aldridge Village Partnerships Events District Centres, Walsall Council	£3,000	LCP - £1,250 Aldridge Village Partnership - £3,456	SB H & W-B SSIC C & YP	Aldridge South & Central	12/7/2016
Streetly Community Association Reducing Social Isolation	£1,000	£500 from the Streetly Association	H & W-B SSIC	Streetly	12/7/2016
Pioneer Advertising Area Partnerships, Walsall Council	£2,700	N/A	SB H & W-B	All wards	12/7/2016

			SSIC C & YP		
Brewood Ringers Wildlife Encounters	£642	Volunteer time	H & W-B C & YP	Streetly	22/7/2016
<b>Total Commitment</b>	<b>£19,237.00</b>	<b>£13,406.00 plus volunteer time</b>			
<b>Total clawback</b>					
<b>Amount remaining</b>	<b>£10,763.00</b>				

#### 4. Project Applications for Consideration

- 4.1 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. We have **£10,763.00** remaining for 2016/17.
- 4.2 The total proposed projects in Appendix 1 for the panels' consideration is **£3,000** from the 2016/17 budget.
- 4.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£7,763.00** funding to approve for project applications for the remainder of the financial year **2016/17**.

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## Appendix 1 – 2016/17 Budget

Applicant / Project	Description	Project Timescales	Funding Requested (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)
Making Learning Fun for Families Pheasey Park Farm Children's Centre	To give the community of Pheasey early learning activities to provide support for new parents to help reduce isolation and provide a network for parents to help improve family skills, provide children with special needs the opportunity to experience all areas of learning and development. Community group activities such as Rhythm & Rhyme, Play & Stay and Baby Massage to aide parents with early communication and social skills and to bring parents together in a safe environment to discuss and support one another.	September, 2016 - March, 2017	£3,000	Pheasey Park Farm Children's Centre Nursery will fund £5,756	SSIC C & YP	Pheasey Park Farm

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