

Report to Darlaston/Bentley/Moxley Area Panel

Funding Report

Area Panel Meeting of 25 June 2013

1. Context

- 1.1 Following the change to the Council's Constitution, Area Panels now have the responsibility of approving any project 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 already been approved (through the previous process of Area Managers approving, in consultation with the Area Chair and Vice Chair and relevant Ward Councillors) and those projects that are being recommended for approval 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 (already presented to the Area Panel at an earlier agenda item), before being recommended to the Area Panel for approval.
- 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 approve the project applications set out in Appendix 1 (attached).

3. Carried Forward Projects

- 3.1 Below are projects that were approved in financial year 2012 / 13, 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	Ward
Darlaston Town Hall Community Leisure Hub	Aim to open Darlaston Town Hall to the public and to encourage community use of the facility. A weekly programme will be created to include daytime activities as well as an evening physical activity programme.	£3000	£5394 from Sport England Community Investment Fund	Enhance leisure and community facilities Reduce health inequalities	All

4. Projects Approved prior to the change in the approval process by Council on May 22, 2013.

- 4.1 The following projects have already been approved and are in progress, approved by the Area Manager, in consultation with the Area Chair and Vice Chair and relevant Ward Councillors:

Project	Description	Allocated funding	Match funding	Workstream	Ward
Olio Youth Easter Programme	Provide positive activities over the Easter holidays for local young people.	£1580	None	Children and young people Safe and sustainable communities Health and wellbeing	All
Arts and Crafts for Toddler Group - 'Babes in the Wood', Moxley.	Procurement of material to enable children to take part in creative activities, interacting with other children in the group and parents. Increase confidence, self-esteem and enhance development.	£275	None	Children and young people	Darlaston South
Equipment for Moxley Junior Youth club	Procurement of new sport equipment and games to increase number of activities that are currently delivered.	£500	None	Health and wellbeing Safe and sustainable communities	Darlaston South
Bryntysilio Field Trip - Bentley Schools	Provide children with a different educational experience with the opportunity for a break from home life and the chance to learn new life skills.	£1000	£1056 from Bentley Federation	Children and young people	Darlaston North & Bentley
Aqua Natal Sessions	Aqua Natal Sessions to be delivered from Leisure Centre over the year. There is currently no provision in this area and a need had been indentified. The initial 12 week pilot project was very successful.	£3000	Physical Activity advisor in kind.	Health and wellbeing	All

Goals	Inter primary school 7-a-side football tournament organised by local neighbourhood policing team with an aim to enhance relationships between the police and local young people.	£345	Volunteer time from officer of local Neighbourhood Police Team	Children and young people	All
Walsall Get Active	Website to promote all activities from all organisations taking place across the Walsall borough which is easily accessible by residents.	£250	£250 from other 5 Area Partnership Areas	Health and wellbeing	All
Afternoon Bingo at Darlaston Town Hall	Increase daytime use of Darlaston Town Hall by offering afternoon bingo sessions.	£212.72	None	Safe and sustainable communities	All
Pass It On	Purchase of cleaning equipment to launder all donated items before sale to ensure they are clean, hygienic and well presented.	£660	None	Safe and sustainable communities	All
Crime Prevention Items	Purchase of security items to be distributed as part of crime prevention visits in areas that have been targeted for crime and burglary.	£989.50	None	Safe and sustainable communities	All
Promotion and marketing of local partner activity	Production of various information over the year to support local partner activity, events and awareness via posters, newsletters and other mediums.	£2000	None	Safe and sustainable communities	All

Herberts Park (Rose Community Garden)	Development of community garden to benefit local residents and community members through shared social space, gardening, education, artistic and horticultural activities.	£1126.61	£4610 from Clean and Green £3850 from Kier Construction	Safe and sustainable communities	Darlaston South
Positive Activities for Young People	To support community and voluntary sector organisations and other local partners in the delivery of coordinated positive activities for young people across the partnership area.	£5000	£1000 from IYPSS £1000 from Old Hall People's Partnership	Children and young people	All

4.2 This leaves a total of £23, 061.17 for the Area Panel to approve project applications.

5. Project Applications for Approval

5.1 Attached at Appendix 1 are the project applications recommended to the Area Panel for approval.

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Appendix 1

Project	Description	Project Timescales	Funding Requested	Match Funding	Workstream	Ward(s)
Charity Evening	Community charity evening to involve local residents from across the Area Partnership to improve engagement with local policing team and raise money to donate to local community groups.	28th June 2013	£350	£500 donated by Whg £150 donation of room hire	Safer and Sustainable Communities	All
Security Improvements to Poplar avenue	To reduce crime and ASB specific to the area of the access road adjacent to 101 Poplar Ave through the installation of a swing barrier and “double Ps” to restrict vehicular access	1st August - 30th September 2013	£1305	None	Safer and Sustainable Communities	Darlaston North & Bentley
Security Improvements to Alexandra Rd	To reduce crime and ASB specific to the area through the installation of fencing to restrict access to “dead spot” within the alley Between Alexandra rd and Hill Rd	1st August - 31st August 2013	£120	None	Safer and Sustainable Communities	Darlaston North & Bentley
Security Improvements to Station Street	To reduce crime and ASB specific to the area of the access path adjacent to 40 station street through the installation of fencing and gates to restrict access to no.40 and to residents at 2-6 Heath rd.	1st August - 30th September 2013	£790	None	Safer and Sustainable Communities	Darlaston North & Bentley