

# Report to Walsall South Area Panel

## Funding Report

19 July 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 Below are projects that were approved in financial year 2014/15 , 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:

<b>Project</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Allocated Funding (£)</b>	<b>Match Funding (£)</b>	<b>Workstream(s)</b>	<b>Ward(s)</b>
<b>PR/4/15-16/021</b>	Lane Ave Allotments Land Reclamation	£1,935.68	WHG co-financed	H&W-B SSIC	Pleck

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

## 4 Projects Approved

4.1 The following projects were approved at previous Area Panels.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Allocated Funding (£)</b>	<b>Match Funding (£)</b>	<b>Workstream(s)</b>	<b>Ward(s)</b>	<b>Date Approved</b>

## 5 De-committed Funding

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

<b>Project</b>	<b>Allocated Funding (£)</b>	<b>Match Funding (£)</b>	<b>Workstream(s)</b>	<b>Ward(s)</b>	<b>Reason</b>

## 6 Project Applications for Consideration

- 6.1 There are 16 projects for the Panel's consideration.
- 6.2 The amount of funding remaining for 2016/2017 financial year is £30,000.
- 6.3 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 for 2016-2017 financial year.
- 6.4 The total proposed projects in Appendix 1 for the panels' consideration is **£40,579.35**
- 6.5 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a NEGATIVE total of **-£10,579.35** to approve project applications for the remainder of the 2016-2017 financial year.

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## Appendix 1

Project	Description	Project Timescales	Funding Requested (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)
<p>St. Matthew's Bangladeshi Cultural Event</p> <p>Walsall Bangladeshi Association</p>	<p>The Walsall Bangladeshi Association aims to help the people of Walsall, particularly those from a Bangladeshi heritage. This project will deliver several cultural activities in St. Matthew's and predominantly to the communities of St. Matthew's in order to promote the Bangladeshi culture. The project will aim to target young Bangladeshi people and the female population in order to promote community engagement and inclusion in this community in particular. The project will also aim to build a pride in the identity of the young people in St. Matthew's who are from a Bangladeshi background and this will help in improving confidence and thereby the life chances of this community that is traditionally low on many statistical measures such as attainment, adult literacy, socio-economic status, poverty etc</p>	<p>July, 2016 – March, 2017</p>	<p>£3,000</p>	<p>Volunteer time of the group</p>	<p>SSIC C&amp;YP</p>	<p>St. Matthew's</p>
<p>Music and Musical Instruments Class</p> <p>Guru Nanak Sikh Temple</p>	<p>Our Sikh Temple would like to cater for young people from disadvantaged backgrounds in the local area to encourage / improve their participation in music lessons at the school.</p> <p>The aims are to broaden the scope to access music and musical instruments for the young people. The activities would cover how to play different musical instruments and learn to sing hymns. Also, to create cohesion between young people from diverse backgrounds, the local community, including the temple. Furthermore to help the young people increase their participation in music lessons / programmes at</p>	<p>July, 2016 – ongoing</p>	<p>£2,920</p>	<p>Volunteer time, management time, providing the room and refreshments</p>	<p>H&amp;W-B SSIC C&amp;YP</p>	<p>St. Matthew's</p>

	<p>school.</p> <p>The activities / skills would be taught through a series of weekly music lessons based at the Temple. The children will have access to a diverse range of South Asian musical instruments. We would aim the project at young people at Key Stage 2 and above. The teaching would follow England and Wales school's National Curriculum of Music.</p> <p>It will enable the youngsters to gain confidence in taking part in music lessons at school to a higher standard than they might achieve without attending the sessions.</p> <p>The parents are concerned because a large proportion of our youngsters in schools are not happily contributing or taking part in music lessons. Consequences of this include under-achievement in exams, unrealised potential and a less rounded individual.</p>					
<p>Keep Safe Assembly Project</p> <p>Street Teams</p>	<p>Street Teams is planning to pilot a new Assembly Project for school children aged 10-11 and 11-12 years (school years 6 &amp; 7), to explain the risks and dangers associated with running away from home/care and sexual exploitation. We hope that through improved understanding of these risks and by providing information about alternative support available to them, fewer children/young people will put themselves at risk in this way. We will also be working with teacher and parents to emphasise the importance of understanding the risks children and young people face, and how to support them. This new pilot will take place within a small number of local schools with 60% within Walsall South area. The assemblies form part of Street Teams Keep Safe Education and Prevention Programme</p>	<p>September, 2016 – March, 201</p>	<p>£3,490</p>	<p>Sainsburys Trust - £2,000</p> <p>Paul Hamlyn Foundation - £1,200</p>	<p>C&amp;YP</p>	<p>St. Matthew's</p>

	<p>which the Charity has been delivering in Walsall Schools since 1999.</p> <p>The assemblies will focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The push and pull factors as to why children/young people run away</li> <li>• Support available locally to help children/young people with their issues so that they do not feel that running away is their only option and how school can be a safe haven for them</li> <li>• Highlighting the dangers of being `on the street' and the potential harm that can happen to them</li> <li>• What happens following a `missing episode' and the involvement of the police and Street Teams with return home interviews</li> <li>• How grooming and sexual exploitation often leads to child/young people going missing and how unhealthy relationships might encourage a child/young person to truant from schools</li> <li>• Trusting gut feelings and responding appropriately to risky situations</li> </ul>					
<p>Kumak Project – Drop-on cafe for newly arrived communities</p> <p>Afghan Community and Welfare Centre</p>	<p>The project hopes to fulfil a number of different objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Provide immigration advice</li> <li>- Provide welfare benefits and housing advice</li> <li>- Deliver adult education support</li> <li>- Reduce isolation and alienation that many people from newly-arrived backgrounds experience</li> <li>- Promote healthy lifestyles</li> </ul>	<p>August, 2016 – March, 2017</p>	<p>£3,700</p>	<p>Match funding of £3,700</p>	<p>H &amp; W-B SSIC</p>	<p>St. Matthew's</p>



<p>Season of Change Health Project</p> <p>Lighthouse Women's Group</p>	<p>The Season of Change Project is set with specific aims and objectives to: - Equip and empower both men and women in the local community with knowledge and skills constructively, to live a healthier quality of life. The drive for this project is to raise awareness to improve and promote the health and well being of all in the community.</p> <p>For instance prostate cancer for men, sickle cell, mental health, domestic violence and many more subjects which are often overlooked in the deprived ethnic communities will be our main focus this year. The outcome of the implementation of the project is to gain knowledge and skills, which will increase individual life expectancy.</p> <p>The relevance of the project is not just a consultation and lectures over the two days, but varieties of practical activities to support the chosen topics which enable to individuals to gain visual understanding and awareness. An open surgery with health care professionals offering practical skills and advice to combat any areas of concerns will take place throughout both days.</p> <p>The project will in co-operate a forum for others to express themselves and share their life experiences, and to create the environment where they feel they are listened to.</p>	<p>September, 2016</p>	<p>£3,000</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>H &amp; W-B C &amp; YP</p>	<p>St. Matthew's</p>
<p>WBSC Development &amp; Sustainability Project</p> <p>Walsall Black</p>	<p>The (WBSC) Development &amp; Sustainability Project aims to sustain core staff and project costs, specifically, the role of Chief Officer and sustainability of WBSC to bring long-term change to the communities it serves. WBSC works with hard to reach communities to enable them to enhance their quality of life, play an active part in society and overcome</p>	<p>September – December, 2016</p>	<p>£3,444.75</p>	<p>50% co-financing from WBSC</p>	<p>SB H &amp; W-B SSIC C &amp; YP</p>	<p>St. Matthew's</p>

Sisters Collective	barriers that prevent them from developing, barriers such as culture, language low self-esteem, isolation, unstable or chaotic lifestyles, ill health and mental wellbeing.					
Improvements to security to Caldmore Community Garden  Caldmore Community Garden / Caldmore Village Festival Group	Caldmore Community Garden is a community space well used and maintained by local volunteers, but is located in the area marred by anti-social behaviour. Unfortunately, that behaviour has extended to the garden itself with perpetrators breaking into the garden and stealing items, damaging garden property or drinking and taking drugs. The garden is a community asset used by many families and children and it is really important to make it safe and secure and ensure its good state and accessibility to the wider community. We have identified to points of entry to the garden (Church wall and wall by AAINA centre) that need new fence and rebuilding of a wall. Once these works are finalised the risk of further damage and anti-social behaviour in the popular community space will be vastly limited.	July – September, 2016	£3,000	£250 of own funds	SB SSIC C & YP	St. Matthew's and Palfrey
Places of Welcome  Transforming Communities Together	We are currently supporting groups wishing to set up Places of Welcome (PoW) in the Walsall area, which aim to help tackle isolation and loneliness in communities by enabling groups to set up and run a PoW in their local area using the "PoW 5 P's" model set of values:  Place: An accessible and hospitable building, open at the same time every week. People: Open to everyone, regardless of their circumstances or situation, and staffed by volunteers. Presence: A place where people actively listen to one another.	July, 2016 – March, 2017	£500	£500 from Rubery Owen  £142.50 from Transforming Communities Together	H & W-B SSIC C & YP	St. Matthew's and Palfrey

	<p>Provision: Offering free refreshments (at least a cup of tea and a biscuit) and basic local information.</p> <p>Participation: Recognises that every person coming to a Place of Welcome will bring talents, experiences and skills that they might be willing to share locally.</p> <p>We provide “pump priming” for groups, consisting of advertising materials, banner /A-frame to put out when the PoW is open, and training.</p>					
<p>Palfrey Park Table Tennis Project</p> <p>Clean &amp; Green, Walsall Council</p>	To enhance facilities at Palfrey Park by purchasing an outdoor tennis table for park users enjoyment	September, 2016 – ongoing	£2,000	N/A	<p>H &amp; W-B</p> <p>SSIC</p> <p>C&amp;YP</p>	Palfrey
<p>Allotment Start Up</p> <p>Place of Refuge Community Church</p>	Our charity has been donated an allotment that requires ground preparation from scratch. The project aims to get the local community involved in growing their own vegetables. From this produce we aim to teach individuals on how to a) gain basic cooking skills by preparing a meal from scratch b) raise awareness around healthy eating and lifestyle. We plan to undertake this project with the children and adults we engage with. There will also be the added value to include physical activity and exercise as they participate in the preparation of the allotment.	August, 2016 – ongoing	£1, 319.85	N/A	<p>H&amp;W-B</p> <p>SSIC</p> <p>C&amp;YP</p>	Palfrey
Health, Drugs & Grooming	Our Gurdwara would like to organise a 4 day Health, Drugs and Grooming awareness summer camp for young children. The project will aim for he children from disadvantaged background to have information about health and drug awareness. As local data shows	July, 2016 – March, 2017	£2,700	£11,000 in-kind contributions from the temple volunteers	<p>H &amp; W-B</p> <p>SSIC</p>	Pleck

<p>Awareness Gurdwara Nanak Sar Pleck</p>	<p>that Asian communities in Walsall suffer from various health problems such as diabetes, heart problems, depression and drug addiction etc. This project will educate children about the different health problems and how to overcome them in the future. The camp will also educate children about dangers of grooming and raise awareness on how to detect and avoid this. In addition, sessions on regular exercise, healthy eating and basic religious principles will be delivered. The sessions will raise children's awareness of drug addiction, alcohol and grooming as there are growing problems at schools which affect young children's academic achievements. The above aims of the project would be achieved through a series of workshops led by experts in these areas.</p>				<p>C &amp; YP</p>	
<p>Kick Start Football Project  Birchills Sports Academy</p>	<p>The 'Kick Start' programme will use football to transcend barriers of gender, nationality and ethnicity to address issues such as gang violence, lack of education or poor health practices. Birchills Sports Academy is conscious of the transformative power of football to inculcate values of teamwork, inclusion and respect within young people. We would like to see a widespread interest in football transformed into a project for social change that engages young people from deprived parts of Walsall and to provide them with focus and direction. We will aspire to tackle the following issues through the programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reduce anti-social behaviour by providing a much-needed diversionary activity;</li> <li>- Improve health outcomes;</li> <li>- Foster greater social cohesion between communities;</li> <li>- Provide a follow-on activity/feeder for local Under 10 groups</li> </ul>	<p>July, 2016 – March, 2017</p>	<p>£4,113</p>	<p>Volunteer time</p>	<p>SSIC C &amp; YP</p>	<p>Pleck</p>

	<p>- Raise aspirations and promote civic participation and responsibility.</p> <p>Kick Start will be a focal point that will allow young people to organise themselves, to plan trips and enrol on volunteer/apprenticeship schemes through partner agencies. Once established, we hope to extend this provision for young women in the community too who may have similar needs.</p>					
<p>Chuckery Pocket Park Community Garden</p> <p>Friends of the Chuckery Corner Green</p>	<p>Regular planting activities to maintain the Community Garden area of the new Chuckery Pocket Park. Planting takes place every month during May, June, July and August purchasing a package of plants from Rocket Gardens – entitled~: The Urban Constant Gardener. Residents are invited by newsletter and on Facebook to join in with the planting as well as carrying out litter picking, dog waste removal, hedge trimming and other gardening activities on the site.</p>	<p>March, 2017</p>	<p>£373</p>	<p>Volunteer time</p>	<p>H &amp; W-B</p> <p>SSIC</p> <p>C &amp; YP</p>	<p>Paddock</p>
<p>Park Hall Pool and Open Space</p> <p>Park Hall Residents</p>	<p>To promote civic pride. To maintain “green award” status as awarded by Mayor’s Civic Award, and recognition of a local beauty spot. Continued monitoring of standards and condition of plants, trees and shrubs. Planting of 2 islands (small plants).</p>	<p>October, 2016 – March, 2017</p>	<p>£750 (up-front payment)</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>SSIC</p> <p>C &amp; YP</p>	<p>Paddock</p>

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Migrant Community Project Slovak Club Birmingham CIC	The project is based on understanding, and then responding to, the diverse issues that face migrants families when they settle in Walsall; understand the current ability to respond and offer immediate sign posting to support. The objective of the fact finding initiative will be to use local key individuals and groups, to engage with a diverse range of migrant families but with emphasis on Czech / Slovak Roma as well as stakeholders from the statutory and voluntary sector. Such an exercise would be aligned to and feed into the council's budget consultation and service reviews' consultations.	October, 2016 – March, 2017	£5,000	N/A	SSIC C & YP	Walsall South (all wards)
Sikh Hunters Football Club Sikh Hunters Football Club	Sikh Hunters Football Club is a FA Chartered club and exists to provide children and adults of Walsall and the surrounding areas, the opportunity to play football in a structured and enjoyable manner. The club encourages fitness and discipline with professionalism and enjoyment. Sikh Hunters FC objective is to promote fitness and development through quality coaching in a safe, structured environment. This year the club has started a new under 7's teams thta will compete in the league.	August, 2016 – March, 2017	£1,268.75	N/A	SSIC C & YP	Walsall South (all wards)