

Report to Walsall South Area Panel

Funding Report

7 April 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 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) |
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| 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 |

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.

| 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 £842 claimed | N/A | SSIC | All | 1 April 2014 |
| Promotion of local activity and advice | £2500 £241.80 claimed | 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 |

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| Healthy Eating on a Budget | £1400 | None | H&W-B | St Matthews and Paddock | 1 April 2014 |
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| 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 | £800 | £1000 – Community Cohesion funding for sports days £5000 – Guru Nanak Temple | 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 |

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| Speed reduction - West Bromwich Road | £2000 £1844.13 claimed | £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 |
| Gility Shopping Centre - Park Hall Area NW Notice Board | £300.00 | £300 - Park Hall Area Neighbourhood Watch | SSIC | Paddock | 15 December 2014 |
| Caldmore Outdoor Cinema | £1849.90 | £774 - Near Neighbours Funding £200 - Caldmoreaccord £932.50 - Volunteer Time | SSIC | St Matthews/Palfrey | 10 February 2015 |
| Chuckery Festival - funding for independent covered | £581.00 | Volunteer time at £11.09 an hour (community first | SSIC | Paddock | 4 March 2015 |

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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 |
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| 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. |
| Football Fitness for Families | £1467 | £1066 (Palfrey Sure Start) | H&W-B | Palfrey & St Matthews | Project did not go ahead as the coordinator was injured and unable to carry out the activity. |
| South Area Steering group – Peer Mentoring Programme | £1571.80 | £1860 - IYPSS | C&YP | All | Project will not commence until next financial year. Advised to resubmit |

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6 Project Applications for Consideration

- 6.1 There are no projects for the Panel's consideration.
- 6.2 The amount of funding remaining for 2014/2015 financial year is £6359.87

7 Project Applications for Consideration from 2015/2016 Funding

- 7.1 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 for 2015-2016 financial year.
- 7.2 The total proposed projects in Appendix 2 for the panels' consideration is **£2000**
- 7.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£38,000** to approve project applications for the remainder of the 2015-2016 financial year.

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Appendix 1

| Project | Description | Project Timescales | Funding Requested (£) | Match Funding (£) | Workstream(s) | Ward(s) |
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| Walsall Big Spring Clean | <p>Walsall Big Spring Clean will take place during mid-May to the end of June 2015 and will involve a range of partners supporting local communities in cleaning up identified areas within each Area Partnership. All six of the Area Partnerships will be involved in the campaign, with one Area Partnership per week being 'targeted'.</p> <p>This will be linked in with volunteering week, which will take place from 1 to 7 June 2015, where we will be promoting volunteering by using the First Stop Express and encouraging partner organisations to be on the vehicle to promote volunteering opportunities and encourage people to register as a volunteer.</p> <p>Local communities will be asked to identify potential areas for the clean ups to take place. These will be supported by Council Services, including Clean and Green and Environmental Health.</p> <p>Volunteers from local communities will be encouraged to take part in the clean ups, which could range from litter picks, graffiti removal, removal of fly tipping, providing advice to residents regarding recycling / refuse collections, skip days, gardening projects, promotional campaigns with local communities and schools, clean up of alleyways, support to the borough-</p> | April - July 2015 | £2000 | <p>Clean and Green staff time.</p> <p>Volunteer time from Street Champions, schools, and residents.</p> | SSIC | All |

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| | <p>wide approach to reporting dog fouling.</p> <p>It is anticipated that we will be able to link in with local businesses to support the campaign.</p> <p>Schools will also be involved in the Big Spring Clean campaign.</p> | | | | | | |
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