

Report to Willenhall & Short Heath Area Panel

Funding Report

03 November 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 note the summarised project applications, set out at section 5

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 and accepted to carry forward these funds for projects to be completed during this financial year:

Project	Description	Allocated Funding (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)
Willenhall Gate	To install a gate a New Invention Square in order to reduce the levels of ASB by restricting access to the square	2000	N/a	SSIC	Willenhall North
Willenhall into work	To produce a leaflet that advises on employment & job advice relevant to the Willenhall & Short Heath area partnership	£750	N/a	SB	All
Older persons directory	To produce a that advises on available services for older persons relevant to the Willenhall & Short Heath area partnership	672.60	N/a	H&W-B	All
Participatory Budgeting 2013-14	To enable Willenhall and Short Heath Area Partnership to develop a model of participatory budgeting by utilising a small budget to allow groups to bid to deliver small projects in their communities to meet the priorities of the Area Plan. Applications will be sought from local residents / groups as part of process which will be put to a public vote to decide which should be funded.	£7024 Carried forward from 2013-14 (£1,000 allocated, £6024 split between 3 wards on 01.07.2014) *see 3.2	N/a	H&W-B C&YP	Willenhall North
	Total				

- 3.2 At the area panel dated 3rd September 2013 the area panel agreed to allocate £10,000 to Participatory Budgeting, following this allocation at the panel meeting 20th March 2014 the panel agreed to allocate £7024 to projects with the remaining £2976 being claimed back to the central budget for the financial year 2013-2014.
- 3.3 From the carry forward request of £7024 at the area panel meeting dated 20th March 2014 there is currently only £1000 allocated to a project with the remaining £6024 to be allocated in the financial year 2014-2015. At the panel meeting dated 01.07.2014 it was agreed that this funding be split equally between three wards, totalling £2008 per ward.

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
- 4.2 The total proposed projects in Appendix 1 for the panels' consideration is **£10561.00**
- 4.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£12477.08** to approve project applications for the remainder of the financial year as presented in Appendix 2 by ward/area budget.
- 4.4 At the panel meeting dated 1, July 2014 it was agreed that the funding be allocated as per the following breakdown and for the funding to be utilised in a participatory budgeting exercise;

The Area Panels £40,000 funding allocation be split in the following way:-

- a) £10,000 for Short Heath Ward plus £2,008 from the £6,024 carried forward from 2013/14 Participatory Budgeting exercise giving a total area allocation of £12008
- b) £10,000 for Willenhall North Ward plus £2,008 from the £6,024 carried forward from 2013/14 Participatory Budgeting exercise giving a total area allocation of £12008
- c) £10,000 for Willenhall South Ward plus £2,008 from the £6,024 carried forward from 2013/14 Participatory Budgeting exercise giving a total area allocation of £12008
- d) £10,000 for area wide projects (to be utilised for projects that area across each of the wards)

4.4 All projects presented to the panel and approved to date leave a balance of **£23,038.08** remaining for allocation to project applications for the remainder of the financial year broken down by ward as follows

- Willenhall North £2859.36
- Willenhall South £7959.36
- Short Heath £11658.36
- Area Wide £561.00

5 Projects Approved

5.1 The following 2014-15 projects presented in table 1 were approved at previous Area Panels.

Table 1.

Project	Allocated Funding (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)	Date Approved
IYPSS Youth Easter Activities	£680.00	N/a	C&YP	All	20/3/14
Promotion and Marketing of local partnership activity	£2000.00		SB H&W-B SSIC C&YP	All	1/7/14
Darlaston JET (Jobs, Education, Training)	£3000.00	£122,000 (Steps to Work, reduced landlord costs, Darlaston Area Partnership & other)	SB	All	1/7/14
CCTV Deployment	£2000.00	N/a	SB H&W-B	All	1/7/14

			SSIC C&YP		
Willenhall Young Leaders Peer Education Residential	£839.00	N/a	C&YP / SSIC	All	1/7/14
Family Funday	£920.00	£7000.00 other sources	SB H&W-B SSIC C&YP	All	1/7/14
CCTV TO Safeguard Pupils	£1200.00	£840 school budget	SSIC & C & YP	Willenhall South	31/7/14
Foodbank @ Bridging The Gap Willenhall	£340.00	N/a	H&W-B SSIC	Willenhall South/ All	31/7/14
ABA Non contact boxing Awards	£706.92	N/a	C&YP	All	31/7/14
Family Event	£2750.00	N/a	SB H&W-B SSIC C&YP	Willenhall North	31/7/14
TLC Family Learning Project	£6050.00	£4860 Sport and Leisure Staff Time	SB SSIC C&YP	Willenhall North	31/7/14
New Flag & Flagpole At Willenhall Library	£2500.00	N/a	SSIC	Willenhall South	31/7/14

5.2 The following 2014-15 projects presented in table 2 provides approved projects broken down by ward area / area wide funding pot.

Table 2.

Ward	Funding available for financial year 2014-15	Funding allocated financial year 2014-15	Balance Remaining Financial year 2014-15 £
Willenhall North	£10,000 £2008 (from participatory budgeting 2013-14)	Approved 31.07.2014 £6050 TLC £2750 Family Event £113 Foodbank (1/3 of total costs) £235.64 ABA Non Contact Boxing(1/3 of total costs) TOTAL £9148.64	2859.36
Willenhall South	£10,000 £2008 (from participatory budgeting 2013-14)	Approved 31.07.2014 £1200 CCTV £113 Foodbank (1/3 of total costs) £2500 Flag Pole £235.64 ABA Non Contact Boxing (1/3 of total costs) TOTAL £4048.64	7959.36
Short Heath	£10,000 £2008 (from participatory budgeting 2013-14)	Approved 31.07.2014 £114 Foodbank (1/3 of total costs) £235.64 ABA Non Contact Boxing (1/3 of total costs) TOTAL £349.64	11658.36
Area Wide – for cross ward interventions / activities	£10,000	Approved 20.03.2014 £680 IYPSS Easter Activity Approved 01.07.2014 £2000 Promotion / Marketing £3000 Darlaston Jet £2000 CCTV deployment £839 Willenhall Young Leaders £920 Family Fun day TOTAL £9439.00	561.00
Total	£46,024.00	£22,985.92	£23,038.08

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Appendix 1

Project	Description	Project Timescales	Funding Requested (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)
Willenhall Festivities	A fun day to bring together residents, businesses and community organisations. A stage will be based on Market Place giving local entertainment acts, dance troops, choirs and bands a way to promote themselves and give them valuable performing experience	December 2014	£1095.00	£6095.00	All	All
Willenhall Winter Lighting Scheme	To provide up to date led technology equipment to be used to illuminate trees throughout Willenhall Town Centre	1/12/14 – 31/3/15	£2000.00	£19742.00	All	All
Facilities Update	To improve the security of all users of the facility by the installation of CCTV and to upgrade the kitchen to a more acceptable standard by modernising the current facilities.	1/10/14 – 31/3/15	£1200.00	N/a	All	Short Heath
Culmore Close/Darvel Road Security Improvements	Installation of security measures to restrict access to the rear of properties in Culmore Close, Darvel Road and Stroud Ave Bentley	1/10/14 – 31/1/15	£1856.00	N/a	SSIC	Short Heath
Fire Education Centre	TO improve the current facilities at Willenhall Fire Station by upgrading the IT and improving the decorative appearance of the facilities to allow local schools to give fire safety	January – February 2015	£1000.00	N/a	SSIC C& WB	All

	talks and advice to pupils.					
HUB & Spoke in Willenhall South & Short Heath	To provide a dedicated community development support project for new, emerging and established voluntary sector groups in the area working with Walsall Voluntary Action. To increase the capacity of Willenhall South and Short Heath VCS groups to provide well governed sustainable service to the local community. To develop the capacity and skills of VCS groups to grow and develop in order to take on contracts and larger funding pots	November 2014 – March 2015	£3410.00	N/a	SB SSIC	Willenhall South & Short Heath

Appendix 2

Ward	Funding available for financial year 2014-15	Funding allocated financial year 2014-15	Balance Remaining Financial year 2014-15 £
Willenhall North	£10,000 £2008 (from participatory budgeting 2013-14)	<p>Approved 31.07.2014</p> <p>£6050 TLC</p> <p>£2750 Family Event</p> <p>£113 Foodbank (1/3 of total costs)</p> <p>£235.64 ABA Non Contact Boxing(1/3 of total costs)</p> <p>If Approved 03.11.2014</p> <p>£365 Willenhall Festivities (1/3 of total cost)</p> <p>£666.67 Willenhall Lighting (1/3 of total cost)</p> <p>£333.34 Fire Education Centre (1/3 of total cost)</p> <p>TOTAL £10513.65</p>	£1494.35
Willenhall South	£10,000 £2008 (from participatory budgeting 2013-14)	<p>Approved 31.07.2014</p> <p>£1200 CCTV</p> <p>£113 Foodbank (1/3 of total costs)</p> <p>£2500 Flag Pole</p> <p>£235.64 ABA Non Contact Boxing (1/3 of total costs)</p> <p>If Approved 03.11.2014</p> <p>£365 Willenhall Festivities (1/3 of total cost)</p> <p>£666.67 Willenhall Lighting (1/3 of total cost)</p> <p>£333.33 Fire Education Centre (1/3 of total cost)</p>	4889.36

		<p>£1705 Hub & Spoke (1/2 of total cost)</p> <p>TOTAL £7118.64</p>	
Short Heath	<p>£10,000</p> <p>£2008 (from participatory budgeting 2013-14)</p>	<p>Approved 31.07.2014</p> <p>£114 Foodbank (1/3 of total costs)</p> <p>£235.64 ABA Non Contact Boxing (1/3 of total costs)</p> <p>If Approved 03.11.2014</p> <p>£365 Willenhall Festivities (1/3 of total cost)</p> <p>£666.66 Willenhall Lighting (1/3 of total cost)</p> <p>£1200 Facilities Update</p> <p>£1856 Security improvements</p> <p>£333.33 Fire Education Centre (1/3 of total cost)</p> <p>£1705 Hub & Spoke (1/2 of total cost)</p> <p>TOTAL £6475.63</p>	5532.37
Area Wide – for cross ward interventions / activities	£10,000	<p>Approved 20.03.2014</p> <p>£680 IYPSS Easter Activity</p> <p>Approved 01.07.2014</p> <p>£2000 Promotion / Marketing</p> <p>£3000 Darlaston Jet</p> <p>£2000 CCTV deployment</p> <p>£839 Willenhall Young Leaders</p> <p>£920 Family Fun day</p> <p>TOTAL £9439.00</p>	561.00

Total	£46,024.00	£33546.92	£12477.08
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