

**Aldridge South and Streetly LNP – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2005**

**Funding Workshop held on 2nd June 2005**

**Purpose of the Report**

To inform the LNP members of the funding workshop that took place on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2005 and the next steps forward.

**Feedback from the workshop**

This workshop was held to prioritise project ideas which could be funded via the allocated £22,000 for this LNP.

The list below displays the actions within the partnership plan which were selected:

1. Hardwick Wood – underage drinking, drugs, access issues
2. Increase CCTV coverage around 'one stop shop' and Hardwick off licences and regularly review footage to identify infringements
3. Railway Line hotspot area for crime and drug activity, entrance needs to be blocked or means put in place to block vehicle access to the area.
4. Local shops in need of attention (Anchor Road and Boundary Walk)
5. Streetly Community Association, improvements needed to roof and changing rooms
6. Roundabout islands need of cleaning
7. Avian Bingo Hall requires attractive floral displays
8. Funding required to improve dressing room facilities in Streetly Community Association
9. Increase activities for young people
10. To increase funding for organised groups
11. Increase use of educational premises for organised sports groups
12. More after school clubs

### 13. Assess the viability of Redhouse school to be used as a youth facility

Following this priorities exercise the group together discussed the options chosen by the members. While discussing projects leads were identified for each project.

The Task Group Members felt a number of the selected actions could be amalgamated together. Therefore the following actions were collated together:

Hardwick Wood – underage drinking, drugs, access issues and Railway Line hotspot area for crime and drug activity, entrance needs to be blocked or means put in place to block vehicle access to the area.

Streetly Community Association, improvements needed to roof and changing rooms and Funding required to improve dressing room facilities in Streetly Community Association

Increase activities for young people, to increase funding for organised groups, increase use of educational premises for organised sports groups and more after school clubs.

Increase CCTV coverage around 'one stop shop' and Hardwick off licences and regularly review footage to identify infringements was discussed further. The Task Group decided that this did not meet the criteria of the funding as it would require additional maintenance costs and therefore would not be taken further in regards to the funding priorities.

'Local Shops in need of attention (Anchor Road and Boundary Walk)' belonged to a private landlord and the Task Group felt this was not appropriate use of the funding allocated to the LNP.

The Task Group decided that 'roundabout islands need of cleaning' was something that required further maintenance costs and this didn't fit into the funding criteria.

Due to the uncertainty of the future of Redhouse School, action the viability of Redhouse School to be used as a youth facility was not explored further.

### **Consequent Steps:**

Following the funding workshop LNP management met with various heads of services who could provide advice and guidance on the projects as their relevant service area would potentially provide delivery. Following the meetings progression on the projects is as follows:

1. Additional funding for summer play schemes, possibility to link with the summer programme
  - Sue Grainger will provide further information in regards to the feasibility of this project Approximate cost of £3,000
2. Railway line hotspot by Hardwick Wood – underage drinking, drugs, access
  - Steve Gittins from Environmental Regeneration is currently looking into the project. Approximate cost of £5,000
3. Floral displays by Avian Bingo Hall
  - Simon Tranter from Environmental Regeneration is currently looking into this project. Approximate cost of £1,000 - £2,000
4. Streetly Community Association, improvements needed to roof and changing rooms/ Funding required to improve dressing room facilities in Streetly Community Association
  - Stuart Hallett, Customer Support Officer from the commissioning unit, is currently looking at possible refurbishment projects for Streetly Community Association. Approximate cost of £10,000+

### **Recommendations**

1. Partnership to agree projects listed above.
2. To delegate project to relevant council officer who will liaise with project champion when required.
3. Project champion to feedback on progress at next LNP meeting.

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