

## **Report to Walsall South Area Panel**

### **Funding Report**

**2<sup>nd</sup> October 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 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)
<b>The Chuckery – Pocket Places for People</b>	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

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## 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>
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	N/A	SSIC	All	1 April 2014
Promotion of local activity and advice	£2500	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

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

#### 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
Mehndi Workshop	£20	£54 – Library Services	C&YP	Palfrey	Artist has not invoiced for workshops due to problems with arrival times.

#### 6 Project Applications for Consideration

6.1 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.

6.2 The total proposed projects in Appendix 1 for the panels' consideration is **£10 890.00**

6.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave **£679.90** for the remainder of the financial year.

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## Appendix 1

Project	Description	Project Timescales	Funding Requested (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)
Speed reduction - West Bromwich Road	<p>Previous Walsall South Area Partnership funds were provided to introduce 3 speed cushions to assist in controlling vehicle speeds at this location. Although this has helped this hasn't fully reduced the speeding issue. The introduction of a 4<sup>th</sup> cushion would assist in the location regarding the speed of traffic travelling through the 20mph zone conflicting with pedestrians and vehicles accessing the Sikh Temple. Following a detailed investigation there was insufficient justification to access funding available through the LTP3 minor works programme. Highways &amp; Transport would be able to contribute 57% of costs towards the project if Walsall South could provide the balance. The project will support improved pedestrian access to the temple while reducing local public anxiety associated with road safety concerns along West Bromwich Street.</p>	October 2014 - March 2015	£2000	<p>£1800 - Engineering &amp; Transportation</p> <p>£800 - Highways</p>	SSIC	St Matthews / Palfrey

<p>Bath Road/Little London Security Improvements</p>	<p>Installation of measures to restrict access to the rear of properties in Bath Road and Little London. In particular to reduce access by pedestrians and motor vehicles in the evening. It is intended to install gates to Bath Rd as a matter of urgency as agreement has been reached with the business which is situated within the access road that they will take future responsibility for this gate. This will allow us to continue consultation with the large number of additional residences which back onto the access road who will be required to agree to jointly indemnify the Local Authority of responsibility for ongoing maintenance. As this is a major consultation, it is felt that installation of the Bath Rd gate will offer some restriction and deter some of the target perpetrators in the interim. The second set of gates to the Little London entrance will once installed, block access to the rear of all properties along the road, it is therefore imperative that full consensus is reached with all residents for this installation.</p>	<p>October 2014 - January 2015</p>	<p>£2100  (£960 Bath Road &amp; £1040 Little London)</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>SSIC</p>	<p>St Matthews</p>
<p>Archery Club for Palfrey</p>	<p>The aim of this project is to establish an archery club which is accessible and available to the local community. It will provide a platform to learn a skill in archery and give opportunities to be part of a club and represent the local community at competitions. Members will be able to train to a nationally</p>	<p>October 2014 - March 2015</p>	<p>£2000</p>	<p>£1000 - West Midlands Police  £2370 - Victory</p>	<p>H&amp;W-B / C&amp;YP</p>	<p>All</p>

	recognised standard and be part of a diverse group of people and challenging sport. It will also put an archery foundation in place for palfrey with the view of the club growing and expanding to become a leading club in the sport for the surrounding area.			Walsall Archers		
Park Hall Open Space	The open space achieved a 'green award' in 2012; the open space needs ongoing maintenance which is carried out by a group of volunteers from the local community. At present there are a number of plants/shrubs which need replacing in order for the green award status to be maintained. The open space is well used by the local community and the local school who use the area for nature walks.	October 2014 - March 2015	£300	None	SSIC / H&W-B	Paddock
Maths Class	The temple would like to facilitate a maths group once a week for two hours. The aim of the group is to enable children from disadvantaged backgrounds to receive free maths tuition up to GCSE level (KS2 - KS4). Children from the local area will be able to access mentoring support and equipment enabling them to complete their homework and perform to a higher standard than they might achieve without attending the session.	October 2014 - March 2015	£1990	£2640 - Volunteer time	C&YP	All

<p>Hi's n Lows Cleanup</p>	<p>Hi's n Lows are aware of approximately 30 sites within the Walsall South area partnership where drug use takes place, all of these sites are in public areas, 12 of these sites are currently very active .</p> <p>Their aims are to react to call outs within 24hrs to remove any discarded drug litter , they will prioritize any urgent call outs</p> <p>They will offer to educate, were appropriate. ( e.g. local business , building sites)</p> <p>They will monitor busy sites once a week (twice if necessary) and monitor all other sites as deemed necessary, they are aware that the drug using community are transient , so sites move around frequently , and are lucky to have very close links within the drug using community to enable us to keep on top of these areas , as part of the project they encourage service users to become volunteers and to take responsibility , this often involves educating peers and reporting sites to them.</p>	<p>October 2014 - March 2015</p>	<p>£2500</p>	<p>Volunteer Time</p>	<p>SSIC / H&amp;W-B</p>	<p>All</p>
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