

**Report to Aldridge and Beacon Area Panel**

**Funding Report**

**2 December 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:

<b>Project</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Allocated Funding (£)</b>	<b>Match Funding (£)</b>	<b>Workstream(s)</b>	<b>Ward(s)</b>
Bridgewater Close	To reduce instances of crime, ASB, and fear of crime to surrounding properties through installation of pedestrian gates and fencing reducing access	£4000  Scheme now complete - awaiting evidence to pay	WHG - £6215	SSIC	Aldridge North and Walsall Wood
Aldridge Centre Litter Bin	Supply and install general purpose litter bin in Anchor Road on the pavement situated between the police station and the Dilshad Indian Takeaway. There is a bus stop/shelter immediately in front of this area and it is the congregating that is causing the drop of litter at the location.	£290  Not yet claimed - Asked to be carried forward	None	SSIC	Aldridge Central and South
Aldridge and Beacon Domehawk Camera Deployment	Deploy domehawk from Myatt Avenue to Berryfields	195  Not yet claimed - asked to be carried forward	None	SSIC	

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## 4 Projects Approved

4.1 The following projects were approved at previous Area Panels during the financial year 2014/15.

Project	Allocated Funding (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)	Date Approved
Clearing up open space at WS8 7BP	£455 for litterpicks, gloves, bags, etc.  Paid 240.97 Clawback 214.03	Est 20 leader volunteers @ 2 hours each = 40 hours plus parents	H&W-B SSIC C&YP	Walsall Wood	15 April 2014
Oak Park Fit n Fun Day	1500  Paid 1401.30 Clawback 98.70	£100 for NW for Roller disco and WHG donating Smoothie Bike	H&W-B SSIC C&YP	Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	15 April 2014
Streetly Fit n Fun Day	1500 Paid 1493.60 Clawback - 6.40	Stall holders free/partner involvement	H&W-B SSIC C&YP	Streetly	15 April 2014
Aldridge Youth Theatre Summer Workshop 2014	£750  Paid 750	£1100 from Aldridge Youth Theatre to cover extra cost of facilitators, utilities, cleaners, refreshments, advertising, materials	C&YP	Aldridge Central and South	1 July 2014
Collingwood Autism Support Group (Collingwood Centre)	£3000	Extra costs incurred picked up by CA	C&YP SSIC H&W-B	Pheasey Park Farm	1 July 2014

Aldridge Friendly Club Social Interaction Project	£500	Extra costs of mini bus hire and meals costs to be contributed by group	H&W-B SSIC	Aldridge Central and South	1 July 2014
Toddler Group (Castlefort JMI School)	£934	Marketing and promotion	H&W-B SSIC C&YP	Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	1 July 2014
Term Project Pool Play (Collingwood Centre)	£1063 Paid 1063	None	H&W-B C&YP SSIC	Pheasey Park Farm	1 July 2014
St Annes Coffee Morning Project (St Annes Church)	£1360	None	H&WB C&YP SSIC	Streetly	1 July 2014
Community Garden & Wildlife Project (Area Partnerships)	£2500	Land courtesy of Aldridge Fire Station Volunteer hours by groups Contributions from Wheats & Son and Oakdene Nurseries	H&WB SSIC	All	1 July 2014
Hippy Beads Bracelet Workshop (Walsall Libraries)	£80 Paid 80	Staffing Venue Publicity	C&YP	Streetly Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	1 July 2014
Christmas Tree Festivals (Area Partnerships)	£1000 2 churches now unable to do so 500 to be pulled back Clawback - 500	Volunteer time All additional expenses	C&YP SSIC H&WB SB	Streetly Aldridge North and Walsall Wood Pheasey Park Farm Aldridge Central and South	1 July 2014
Collingwood Fun Day (Area Partnerships)	£1000	Co-financed with Community Development £1000	C&YP SSIC H&WB	Pheasey Park Farm	1 July 2014
Domehawk Camera Deployments (Area Partnerships)	£390 Paid 390	None	SSIC	Streetly Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	1 July 2014

Collingwood Event Planning (Collingwood Centre)	£1325.74 Paid 1325.74	None	SB SSIC	Pheasey Park Farm	1 July 2014
Streetly Association Community Garden (Streetly Association)	£1992.91	Volunteer time from association groups and community	SSIC H&WB	Streetly	1 July 2014
Modernisation of Central Heating System (Streetly Association)	£2160	None	SB H&WB SSIC C&YP	Streetly	1 July 2014
Aldridge Community Fun Day (The Hothouse)	£1500	£300 fundraising, hothouse funds and donations	SSIC C&YP H&WB	Aldridge Central and South	1 July 2014
The THOMAS Project	£1997 Confirmation of WHG funding has been received.	WHG bid of £3495 Howdens Joinery have pledge to provide units for community kitchen - awaiting confirmation	SB C&YP H&WB SSIC	Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	1 July 2014
Teens and Toddlers Youth Development Programme	838 Funding pulled as evidence not produced and Carol has secured funding to run programme in alternative areas. Clawback - £838	Extra costs for set up fee, facilitators, curriculum materials, NCFE registration picked up by NHS Walsall.	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	30 September 2014
Sports project for Walsall Wood Youth Club	1370	Staffing is provided by Walsall Wood youth group.	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	30 September 2014
Aldridge Festivities	760	Aldridge Village Partnership - £3000 District Centre Management - £2000	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South	30 September 2014
The Cottage Garden	1500	Funding for plinth, rose arbour and path - £1760  Volunteer time - 100	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South	30 September 2014

		hours by 6 volunteers - £1100			
The Pioneer Magazine Advertising	990	None	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	All	30 September 2014
A Bird in the Hand	531	12 volunteers x 2 events at £11.76 per volunteer per event - £282.34	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Based in Streetly - open to borough.	30 September 2014
Walsall Wood WW1 Commemoration Event	80	Input from four schools and all year 6 from primary schools	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	30 September 2014
Flashing CCTV sign deployment - Collingwood Drive	195	None	H&WB, SSIC	Pheasey Park Farm	Under urgency 13 October 2014
<b>Total Commitment</b>	<b>30,433.65</b>				
<b>Total clawback</b>	<b>1657.13</b>				
<b>Total spend</b>	<b>28776.52</b>				

## 5 Project Applications for Consideration

5.1 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.

5.2 The total proposed projects in Appendix 1 for the panels' consideration is **£9978.80**.

5.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£1244.68** to approve project applications 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)
Aldridge Great War Exhibition	To purchase display cabinets to be located at Aldridge Library which will engage people in exploring, conserving and sharing the rich and unique WW1 heritage of Aldridge with the wider community.	2 December to 31 March 2015 for purchase but project will continue until 2018.	2370	Rosie's Helping Hands - £100  Fundraising - £400  Midcounties coop - £1980	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South
Community Christmas Event	To provide a Christmas event for children, parents and carers at Leighswood Children's Centre. Give the local community the opportunity to meet new people, access services, information and provision. Local organisations and services to be involved with stalls and activities.	12 December 2014	530	£1500 - Staff, volunteers and venue hire	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South
Dementia Information Pack	Provide a localised information pack about support and services for those diagnosed with dementia and their carers. To act as a signposting resource and provide much needed information	2 December to 31 March 2015	930	Volunteer time throughout project - 2 x 20 hours + £443.60	H&WB, SSIC	Streetly
Aldridge Library - new and continuing	To provide a programme of speakers and activities to a new social group within the library enabling networking and signposting. Also to enhance	2 December to 31 March 2015	320	7.5 hours per session for staffing plus 6 hours in total	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South

session activities	Chatterbooks activities by having an artist workshop, craft activities and ICT based projects.			for volunteers		
Smarter Boxing	To provide a non-contact fun boxing session which young people can engage in. The programme seeks to build up your physical fitness and stamina whilst helping to develop confidence.	5 January to 31 March 2015	478.80	Two staff members for all sessions	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South
Installation of Central Heating System	The heating in the centre is out dated and inefficient. A new system will increase the usage of the centre and its facilities by providing a safe and warm environment where local residents, including elderly and vulnerable, can come together and participate in the many activities on offer.	1 January to 31 March 2015	3350	Supply and installation - £27000 Gas supply to building - £6000	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP,	Streetly
Essential Improvements to Headquarters	The headquarters of 1st Aldridge/36th Walsall Scout Group were built in the 1950s and are now in need of remedial work. We have over 100 children using the centre aged from 6 to 18 years, plus young and adult leaders and helpers who are all volunteers. We need to insulate the building, fix leaks and improve the flooring to make it safer for all those who come here. We manage the day to day running costs from	2 December to 31 March 2015	2000	Roof - £5000 Fence - £2000	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP,	Aldridge Central and South

	subscriptions and fundraising.					
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