

Report to Aldridge and Beacon Area Panel

Funding Report

30 September 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) |
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| 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 |

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| 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 |
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| Clearing up open space at WS8 7BP | £455 for litterpicks, gloves, bags, etc. | 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 | £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 |

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| Streetly Fit n Fun Day | 1500 | Stall holders free/partner involvement | H&W-B SSIC C&YP | Streetly | 15 April 2014 |
| Aldridge Youth Theatre Summer Workshop 2014 | £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 | 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 | H&WB SSIC | All | 1 July 2014 |

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| | | Contributions from Wheats & Son and Oakdene Nurseries | | | |
| Hippy Beads Bracelet Workshop (Walsall Libraries) | £80 | Staffing Venue Publicity | C&YP | Streetly Aldridge North and Walsall Wood | 1 July 2014 |
| Christmas Tree Festivals (Area Partnerships) | £1000 | 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 | None | SSIC | Streetly Aldridge North and Walsall Wood | 1 July 2014 |
| Collingwood Event Planning (Collingwood Centre) | £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 | SB C&YP H&WB | Aldridge North and Walsall Wood | 1 July 2014 |

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| | | units for community kitchen - awaiting confirmation | SSIC | | |
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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 **£5989**.

5.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£9003.35** 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) |
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| Teens and Toddlers Youth Development Programme | Teens and Toddlers is an 18 week evidence based youth development programme to be run at Shire Oak school, that aims to reduce teenage pregnancy by raising aspiration and self esteem. The programme targets two sets of vulnerable children simultaneously by pairing them as a mentor and role model to a child in a nursery who is in need of extra support. The programme fosters a greater awareness of the reality of conception and parenting. Young people gain a level 1 in interpersonal skills. | 3 November 2014 - 23 March 2015 | 838 | Extra costs for set up fee, facilitators, curriculum materials, NCFE registration picked up by NHS Walsall. | H&W-B, SSIC, C&YP | Aldridge North and Walsall Wood |
| Sports project for Walsall Wood Youth Club | The project aims to provide team competitions, e.g. pool, darts, etc. for junior and senior people at Walsall Wood youth club. The aim is to bring young people together to break down barriers and to stop the young people being territorial. The money would be used to buy resources. A launch date | 13 October 2014 - 31 March 2015 | 1370 | Staffing is provided by Walsall Wood youth group. | H&W-B, SSIC, C&YP | Aldridge North and Walsall Wood |

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| | will be planned where young people will be invited, food will be put on and goodie bags given out for the winning team. Walsall Wood youth club will join with Brownhills West youth club and the Well centre. | | | | | |
| Aldridge Festivities | A fun day to bring together residents, businesses and community organisations. The Move truck will deliver the healthy lifestyle message to users in a fun and exciting way. We will encourage users that regular exercise can be fun and exciting and beneficial. Where possible signposting will be done to organisations offering sporting activities. We will evoke discussions around issues and dangers of obesity. | 29 November 2014 | 760 | Aldridge Village Partnership - £3000 District Centre Management - £2000 | H&WB, SSIC, C&YP | Aldridge Central and South |
| The Cottage Garden | To create a cottage garden to commemorate Capt Bonner VC which will be a long term focal point for the village and also part of the Aldridge Heritage Trail. Walsall Council will fund the plinth and we want to make the garden as authentic as possible to the original Gus Bonner Garden. | 1 October 2014 - 31 March 2015 | 1500 | Funding for plinth, rose arbour and path - £1760 Volunteer time - 100 hours by 6 volunteers - | H&WB, SSIC, C&YP | Aldridge Central and South |

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| | | | | £1100 | | |
| The Pioneer Magazine Advertising | To promote the diverse activities, events and groups that are operating in Streetly, Aldridge, Pheasey and Walsall Wood by advertising for 4 months in all 3 of the Pioneer Magazines with an outreach to over 49000 homes. Each area will have its own community page in the magazines. | October 2014 - February 2014 | 990 | None | H&WB, SSIC, C&YP | All |
| A Bird in the Hand | Brewood ringing group will provide two bird ringing demonstrations which will take place in January 15 and March 15. We aim to encourage young people to involve themselves in nature, learning about birds, migration, environment, habitat and how to attract wildlife to their garden. We also aim to include bird identification walks in this, which will improve fitness and wellbeing in different age groups who attends. The event is open to all. | 1 January 2015 - 31 March 2015. | 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. |

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