

**Report to Aldridge and Beacon Area Panel**

**Funding Report**

**9 March 2015**

**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 Appendices 1 and 2).
- 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 Appendices 1 and 2 (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
1st Walsall Wood Scouts - 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
Area Partnerships - 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

Area Partnerships - 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 Centre - Collingwood Autism Support Group	£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
Castlefort JMI School - Toddler Group	£934	Marketing and promotion	H&W-B SSIC C&YP	Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	1 July 2014
Collingwood Centre - Term Project Pool Play	£1063 Paid 1063	None	H&W-B C&YP SSIC	Pheasey Park Farm	1 July 2014
St Annes Church - Coffee Morning Project	£1360	None	H&WB C&YP SSIC	Streetly	1 July 2014
Area Partnerships - Community Garden & Wildlife Project	£2500	Land courtesy of Aldridge Fire Station Volunteer hours by groups Contributions from Wheats & Son and	H&WB SSIC	All	1 July 2014

		Oakdene Nurseries			
Walsall Libraries - Hippy Beads Bracelet Workshop	£80 Paid 80	Staffing Venue Publicity	C&YP	Streetly Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	1 July 2014
Area Partnerships - Christmas Tree Festivals	£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
Area Partnerships - Collingwood Fun Day	£1000	Co-financed with Community Development £1000	C&YP SSIC H&WB	Pheasey Park Farm	1 July 2014
Area Partnerships - Domehawk Camera Deployments	£390 Paid 390	None	SSIC	Streetly Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	1 July 2014
Collingwood Centre - Collingwood Event Planning	£1325.74 Paid 1325.74	None	SB SSIC	Pheasey Park Farm	1 July 2014
Streetly Association - Streetly Association Community Garden	£1992.91	Volunteer time from association groups and community	SSIC H&WB	Streetly	1 July 2014
Streetly Association - Modernisation of Central Heating System	£2160	None	SB H&WB SSIC C&YP	Streetly	1 July 2014
The Hothouse - Aldridge Community Fun Day	£1500 Paid £1500	£300 fundraising, hothouse funds and donations	SSIC C&YP H&WB	Aldridge Central and South	1 July 2014
The THOMAS Project - 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

		units for community kitchen - awaiting confirmation	SSIC		
Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust - 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
Walsall Wood Youth Club - 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 Village Partnership/District Centre Management - Aldridge Festivities	760	Aldridge Village Partnership - £3000 District Centre Management - £2000	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South	30 September 2014
Aldridge Village Gardeners - The Cottage Garden	1500	Funding for plinth, rose arbour and path - £1760  Volunteer time - 100 hours by 6 volunteers - £1100	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South	30 September 2014
Area Partnerships - The Pioneer Magazine Advertising	990 Paid £990	None	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	All	30 September 2014
Brewood Ringers - A Bird in the Hand	531 Paid £492.90 Clawback £38.10	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
Castlefort School - Walsall Wood WW1 Commemoration Event	80 Paid £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
Area Partnerships - Flashing	195	None	H&WB, SSIC	Pheasey Park Farm	Under urgency

CCTV sign deployment - Collingwood Drive					13 October 2014
Rosie's Helping Hands - Aldridge Great War Exhibition	2370	Rosie's Helping Hands - £100 Fundraising - £400 Midcounties coop - £1980	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South	2 December 14
Leighswood Children's Centre - Community Christmas Event	530	£1500 - Staff, volunteers and venue hire	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South	2 December 14
Forget Me Not - Dementia Information Pack	930	Volunteer time throughout project - 2 x 20 hours + £443.60	H&WB, SSIC	Streetly	2 December 14
Aldridge Library - new and continuing session activities	320	7.5 hours per session for staffing plus 6 hours in total for volunteers	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South	2 December 14
IYPSS - Smart Boxing	478.80	Two staff members for all sessions	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP	Aldridge Central and South	2 December 14
Streetly CA - Installation of Central Heating System	3350 Funding secured from another pot therefore approx 10% of new figure is £1000 Clawback £2350	Supply and installation - £27000 Gas supply to building - £6000	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP,	Streetly	2 December 14
1st Aldridge/36th Walsall Scout Group - Essential Improvements to Headquarters	2000	Roof - £5000 Fence - £2000	H&WB, SSIC, C&YP,	Aldridge Central and South	2 December 14
Area Partnerships - Repair and redeployment of camera to Collingwood Drive	266	none	SSIC	Pheasey Park Farm	Under urgency 24 November 14
Brownhill & Oak Park Bowls Club - Erection of 2 Team	£599.10	Cory Environmental Trust offered £5991	H&WB SSIC	Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	9 February 2015

Shelters		but require 10% contribution from 3rd party	C&YP		
Camera deployment to Blackwood Road	£195	None	SSIC	Pheasey Park Farm	Under urgency
Pheasey Park Farm Community Centre - Replacement of Electric Cooker	£649	Contribution needed to be in excess of £500 - rest to come from applicant	H&WB SSIC C&YP	Pheasey Park Farm	Extraordinary meeting 9 March 2015
Whg - Lancaster Avenue, Aldridge Community Room	£745	Contribution of any amount helpful - total costs are 2200 with whg offering to pay £1475	H&WB SSIC C&YP	Aldridge Central and South	Extraordinary meeting 9 March 2015
Aldridge North neighbourhood watch - Enviro-Camera	£200	Aldridge North Neighbourhood Watch - £200	SSIC H&WB	Aldridge North	Extraordinary meeting 9 March 2015
<b>Total Commitment</b>	<b>43904.55</b>				
<b>Total clawback</b>	<b>4045.23</b>				
<b>Total spend to date</b>	<b>39859.32</b>				
<b>Amount remaining</b>	<b>140.68</b>				

## Projects Approved

5.1 The following projects were approved at previous Area Panels for the financial year 2015/16.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Allocated Funding (£)</b>	<b>Match Funding (£)</b>	<b>Workstream(s)</b>	<b>Ward(s)</b>	<b>Date Approved</b>
Aldridge Village partnership - Aldridge Easter Event -	<b>£1495 (subject to funds being available on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2015)</b>	Aldridge Village Partnership - £1000	H&WB SSIC	Aldridge Central and South	Extraordinary meeting 9



Aldridge By the Sea		District Centre Management - £2000 ICP - £1250	C&YP		March 2015
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## 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 **£9495.68 from 2015/16 budget.**

6.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£28829.32** to approve project applications for the remainder of the financial year **2015/16.**

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## Appendix 1 – 2015/16 Budget

Project	Description	Project Timescales	Funding Requested (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)
Brownhills and Oak Park Bowls Club – Supply and Erection of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Team Shelters	The aim is to encourage senior citizens, disabled persons and local community to actively partake in crown green bowling throughout the year by installing shelters which will form a respite from adverse weather during play	1 April 2015 – 31 March 2016	2995.68	Co financed with WHG – 2995.68	H&WB SSIC	Aldridge North and Walsall Wood
Area Partnerships - Pheasey Family Fit 'n' Fun Day	Showcase event to promote healthy lifestyles, fitness, exercise and well being and healthy eating through an event that is aimed at the whole family, with lots of activities and stalls full of information for the local community	1 June 15 – 31 march 16	1500	Stall holders time	H&WB SSIC	Pheasey Park Farm
Area Partnerships – Oak Park Family Fit 'n' Fun Day	Showcase event to promote healthy lifestyles, fitness, exercise and well being and healthy eating through an event that is aimed at the whole family, with lots of activities and stalls full of information for the local community	1 April 2015- 31 March 16	1500	Stall holders time	H&WB SSIC	Aldridge North and Walsall Wood

Area Partnerships – Streetly Family Fit ‘n’ Fun Day	Showcase event to promote healthy lifestyles, fitness, exercise and well being and healthy eating through an event that is aimed at the whole family, with lots of activities and stalls full of information for the local community	1 April 2015- 31 March 16	1500	Stall holders time	H&WB SSIC	Streetly
Area Partnerships – Aldridge and Beacon Big Clean Up	<p>Walsall Big Spring Clean will take place during mid-May to the end of June 2015 and will involve a range of partners supporting local communities in cleaning up identified areas within each Area Partnership. All six of the Area Partnerships will be involved in the campaign, with one Area Partnership per week being ‘targeted’.</p> <p>This will be linked in with volunteering week, which will take place from 1 to 7 June 2015, where we will be promoting volunteering by using the First Stop Express and encouraging partner organisations to be on the vehicle to promote volunteering opportunities and encourage people to register as a</p>	1 April 2015 – 31 March 16	2000	Volunteers/possible partnership working with WHG in areas of their stock	H&WB SSIC	All

	<p>volunteer.</p> <p>Local communities will be asked to identify potential areas for the clean ups to take place. These will be supported by Council Services, including Clean and Green and Environmental Health.</p> <p>Volunteers from local communities will be encouraged to take part in the clean ups, which could range from litter picks, graffiti removal, removal of fly tipping, providing advice to residents regarding recycling / refuse collections, skip days, gardening projects, promotional campaigns with local communities and schools, clean up of alleyways, support to the borough-wide approach to reporting dog fouling.</p> <p>It is anticipated that we will be able to link in with local businesses to support the campaign.</p> <p>Schools will also be involved in the Big Spring Clean campaign.</p>					
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Walsall Libraries – Streetly library community garden	This project aims to have a full length window converted into a door to allow access to the garden and for the garden to be tidied up and replanted, making it a space that can be enjoyed by library users. The intention is for community volunteers to oversee the work and the garden’s maintenance.	1 May 2015 – 30 June 2015	1675	Donations of plants from local garden centres	H&WB SSIC C&YP	Streetly
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