

Report to North Walsall Area Panel

Funding Report

23 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)
Repair of Birchills domehawk camera	To reduce crime	254	None	SSIC	All
Redeployment & Repair of domehawk cameras across North Walsall	To reduce crime and asb in hotspot areas and deter criminal activity	500 Paid £61 so far	None	SSIC	All

Workstreams:

SB = Supporting businesses to thrive and supporting local people in to work

H&W-B = Improving health and well-being and independence for older people

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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
Redeployment and repair of domehawk cameras across North Walsall	2500	None	SSIC	All	9 April 2014
Keep Out of the Cold and Footy Skills Project	2233.83	BCP worker 1.5 hours per week	H&WB C&YP	Blakenall	9 April 2014

		and IYPSS worker 1.5 hours per week	SSIC		
Outdoor Garden Project for Older and Vulnerable Adults (Bloxwich Community Partnership - Stan Ball)	2500	Ground work has been funded by NHS CCG funding (£5600) Volunteers working on project	SSIC H&WB	Bloxwich East	15 July 2014
Partnership Summer Activities 2014	2754.97	£2871 - 3 workers for each of the 29 sessions (87 hours x £11 x 3)	H&WB SSIC C&YP	All	15 July 2014
Blakenall on the Beach Community Summer Fun Day	430	Sponsorship - £695 NHCE funding £1210 NHCE volunteer time £1280	H&WB SSIC C&YP	Blakenall	15 July 2014
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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 panel's consideration is **£8287**.

5.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£21 294.20** 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)
Living Archive and Creative Arts Project	The project aims to work with local residents in and around North Walsall. The aim being to enable them to create photographs, audio and different stories about their life in the local area. This project ties into the work of whg, Keepmoat Housing Development and the Goscote Regeneration Team. The intergenerational work provided by the local residents will be showcased in different venues around North Walsall and in the town centre.	24 September 2014 - 31 March 2015	2500	Whg management team, Stan Ball staff, IYPSS, schools, community groups, BVC and BCC - volunteer hours	SB, H&W-B, SSIC, C&YP	All
Teens and Toddlers Youth Development Programme - Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Programme	Teens and Toddlers is an 18 week evidence based youth development programme that aims to reduce teenage pregnancy by raising aspiration and self esteem. The programme targets two sets of vulnerable children simultaneously, raising aspirations of young people by pairing them as a mentor and role model to a child in a nursery/reception class who is in need of support.	26 September 2014 - 13 March 2015	1467	Facilitator fees £1773 Curriculum material £882.12 Set up fees, refreshments and transport - £585 from Walsall Healthcare	H&W-B, C&YP	Birchills/Leamore

Anotherstitch@Mend-it	This project would enable 11 local ladies eager to begin their journey into stitch crafts. Sessions will have a small subscriptions of £1. The emphasis will be on learning together, sharing skills and appreciating that items with good profit margins could encourage entrepreneurial aspiration that could be explored in future social enterprises. The funding will enable the group to learn new techniques, pay for the fabric artist, hire the venue, purchase additional resources and have a presentation event.	25 September 2014 - 31 March 2015	1820	Community cohesion funds will enable the project to continue from March - June 15 - £1160	H&WB, SSIC, SB	Birchills/Leamore
Environmental Projects	Parts of North Walsall have been used by some individuals and companies as a fly tip area. Rubbish has accumulated leading to certain parts being an eye sore. This project aims to tackle these issues by clearing and developing targeted areas and by engaging different services and communities to enable that to occur effectively.	24 September 2014 - 31 March 2015	2500	Dependant on area match funding will be looked at for joint initiatives with WHG.	SSIC	All

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