

Report to Walsall South Area Panel

Funding Report

4 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 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)
The Chuckery – Pocket Places for People	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.

Project	Allocated Funding (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)	Date Approved
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

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

Speed reduction - West Bromwich Road	£2000	£1800 - Engineering & Transportation £800 - Highways	SSIC	St Matthews / Palfrey	2 October 2014
Bath Road/Little London Security Improvements	£2100	None	SSIC	St Matthews	2 October 2014
Archery Club for Palfrey	£2000	£1000 - West Midlands Police £2370 - Victory Walsall Archers	H&W-B / C&YP	All	2 October 2014
Park Hall Open Space	£300	None	SSIC / H&W-B	Paddock	2 October 2014
Maths Class	£1990	£2640 - Volunteer time	C&YP	All	2 October 2014
Hi's n Lows Cleanup	£2500	Volunteer Time	SSIC / H&W-B	All	2 October 2014
Gility Shopping Centre - Park Hall Area NW Notice Board	£300.00	£300 - Park Hall Area Neighbourhood Watch	SSIC	Paddock	15 December 2014
Caldmore Outdoor Cinema	£1849.90	£774 - Near Neighbours Funding £200 - Caldmoreaccord £932.50 - Volunteer Time	SSIC	St Matthews/Palfrey	10 February 2015

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.
Walsall Mela	£2000	£7000 – volunteer time	H&W-B, SSIC, C&YP	All	Informed via email that due to lack of funds the event would not go ahead.
Drug and Alcohol Awareness Project	£800	£1000 – Community Cohesion funding for sports days £5000 – Guru Nanak Temple	H&W-B, C&YP	All	Grant agreement not returned within specified dates and no feedback from organisation as to whether the project went ahead.
Football Fitness for Families	£1467	£1066 (Palfrey Sure Start)	H&W-B	Palfrey & St Matthews	Project did not go ahead as the coordinator was injured and unable to carry out the activity.
Promotion of local partner activity and advice	£2500	None	All	All	£2258.20 de-committed as this will not be used this financial year.

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 **£581.00**
- 6.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave **£4474.20** 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)
Chuckery Festival - funding for independent covered outside event capability	Chuckery Festival has a proven track record of organising large community events that are well attended by the local community. In order to provide smaller local 'micro' community events within its main catchment area community. The purchase of the covered event shelters will enable the organisation of simple but effective small community events with short lead times and at low costs. The equipment will also reduce some of the cost of its larger event leaving funding available for local and pop-up community event during 2015.	5 - 31 March 2015	£581.00	Volunteer time at £11.09 an hour (community first project rate)	SSIC	Paddock

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