

Report to North Walsall Area Panel

Funding Report

27 January 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)
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:

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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
Area Partnerships - Redeployment and repair of domehawk cameras across North Walsall	2500	None	SSIC	All	9 April 2014
Bloxwich Community	2233.83	BCP worker 1.5	H&WB	Blakenall	9 April 2014

Partnership - Keep Out of the Cold and Footy Skills Project		hours per week and IYPSS worker 1.5 hours per week	C&YP SSIC		
Bloxwich Community Partnership - Outdoor Garden Project for Older and Vulnerable Adults (Bloxwich Community Partnership - Stan Ball)	2500 - paid £2432.51	Ground work has been funded by NHS CCG funding (£5600) Volunteers working on project	SSIC H&WB	Bloxwich East	15 July 2014
Bloxwich Community Partnership/Frank F CA/IYPSS - Partnership Summer Activities 2014	2754.97 - paid £1754.97	£2871 - 3 workers for each of the 29 sessions (87 hours x £11 x 3)	H&WB SSIC C&YP	All	15 July 2014
New Horizons Community Enterprise - 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
Area Partnerships - Living Archive and Creative Arts Project	2500	Whg management team, Stan Ball staff, IYPSS, schools, community groups, BVC and BCC - volunteer hours	SB, H&W-B, SSIC, C&YP	All	23 September 2014
Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust - Teens and Toddlers Youth Development Programme - Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Programme	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	23 September 2014

Mend-IT (Green Lane Baptist Church)- Anotherstitch@Mend-It	1820	Community cohesion funds will enable the project to continue from March - June 15 - £1160	H&WB, SSIC, SB	Birchills/Leamore	23 September 2014
Area Partnerships - Environmental Projects	2500	Dependant on area match funding will be looked at for joint initiatives with WHG.	SSIC	All	23 September 2014
Bloxwich Business Partnership CIC - Sparkle into a Bloxwich Christmas	1500 Paid £1500	7097.60 Volunteer time sub group - £998.10 Marshall volunteers - £1330.80 Volunteer rotarians - £1064.64 Volunteer church - £598.86 Volunteers business - £3105.20	SB, H&W-B, SSIC, C&YP	Bloxwich East but will be borough wide event	20 November 2014
total	20205.80				

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 **£5704.21**

5.3 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£14089.99** 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)
Bloxwich Community Partnership - Tablets	To introduce the use of tablet computers to service users from the local community of a variety of ages. A timetable of workshops will teach internet safety, social media, online banking, how to apply for jobs, sexual health, cyber bullying, staying safe, online shopping, insurance searches, etc. The tablets will be used across all three of the centres.	28 January 2015 - 31 March 15	£1775	Workshops staffed and run by BCP staff	H&WB SSIC C&YP	Blakenall/Bloxwich East
Community Safety - Security Improvement to Mossley Greenspace	Fencing and P gates to be installed on Vernon Way to stop off road vehicles access to the greenspace, reduce access for flytipping and reduce anti-social behaviour and criminal damage	28 January 2015 - 31 March 15	2540	Walsall Council greenspace funding - £7146	H&WB SSIC C&YP	Bloxwich West
Ryecroft NRC - Ryecroft Community Hub	The project aims to interact with the local community by providing pamper sessions for mothers and daughters, local school away days, flexi treatments for the elderly and taster sessions for the unemployed. The purchase of 7 hairdressing chairs will build capacity to increase the training we offer by providing extra	1 February 2015 - 31 March 15	700	None	H&WB SSIC C&YP SB	Blakenall

	training facilities.					
Bloxwich Community Partnership - Ping Pong Subject to wider budget proposals	Purchase of ping pong equipment for young people to be engaged and involved in a new sport. It will enable young people to build a positive friendship with others and break down barriers and encourage more attendance at the club. this in turn can reduce anti social behaviour.	1 February 2015 - 31 March 15	689.21	Staff running youth clubs	H&WB SSIC C&YP	Blakenall/Bloxwich East

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