

## **Report to Walsall South Area Panel**

### **Funding Report**

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#### **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 2014/15 , 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>
	There are no carried forward projects				

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

SSIC = Creating safe, sustainable and inclusive communities

C&YP = Improving safeguarding, learning and the life chances for children and young people

## 4 Projects Approved

4.1 The following projects were approved at previous Area Panels.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Allocated Funding (£)</b>	<b>Match Funding (£)</b>	<b>Workstream(s)</b>	<b>Ward(s)</b>	<b>Date Approved</b>
Walsall South Big Spring Clean	£2000	N/A	SSIC	All	7 April 2015
Domehawk & Flashing LED Deployment	£390	N/A	SSIC	All	14 May 2015
Health Camp	£1750	N/A	H&W-B, SSIC C&YP	Paddock	15 July 2015
Health Camp	£2000	N/A	H&W-B, SSIC C&YP	St. Matthew's	15 July 2015
Walsall Mela	£1500	£12000	H&W-B, SSIC C&YP	St. Matthew's	15 July 2015
Walsall Town Festival	£1575	£5000	SB, SSIC, C&YP	St. Matthew's	15 July 2015
Archery Project	£1500	£1500	H&W-B, SSIC C&YP	Palfrey	15 July 2015
Defibrillator Storage	£714	N/A	H&W-B	Palfrey	15 July 2015

## 5 De-committed Funding

5.1 Funding has been de-committed for the following project(s) during this financial year.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Allocated Funding (£)</b>	<b>Match Funding (£)</b>	<b>Workstream(s)</b>	<b>Ward(s)</b>	<b>Reason</b>

## **6 Project Applications for Consideration**

6.1 There are 13 projects for the Panel's consideration.

6.2 The amount of funding remaining for 2015/2016 financial year per ward is:-

Paddock – £7,652.50

Palfrey – £5,688.50

Pleck – £9,402.50

St. Matthew's – £4,327.50

6.3 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 for 2015-2016 financial year.

6.4 The total proposed projects in Appendix 1 for the panels' consideration per ward is:-

Paddock – £3,850

Palfrey – £3,130

Pleck – £7,180

St. Matthew's – £25,976.07

6.5 If the projects presented at Appendix 1 are approved, this will leave the following amounts per ward for project applications for the remainder of the 2015-2016 financial year:-

Paddock – £3,802.50

Palfrey – £2,558.50

Pleck – £2,222.50

St. Matthew's – £0

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## Appendix 1

Project	Description	Project Timescales	Funding Requested (£)	Match Funding (£)	Workstream(s)	Ward(s)
<p>Caldmore Community House</p> <p>Caldmore Community Garden</p>	<p>Caldmore Community House, linked to Caldmore Community Garden, will be a local community hub, open to the whole community to use. It will be a community cafe, a meeting space for community groups, a place to develop apprenticeships and deliver educational activities for children and adults from Caldmore and Palfrey. For this to happen, we need to finish the last works on the house, the most important of which is the laminated flooring, fire doors and painting.</p>	<p>Oct 2015 – Mar 2016</p>	<p>£2,389</p>	<p>Volunteers</p>	<p>SB</p> <p>SSIC</p> <p>C&amp;YP</p>	<p>St. Matthew's</p> <p>Palfrey</p>
<p>Urgent Boiler Replacement for the Vine</p> <p>Vine Access Centre</p>	<p>Vine Access Centre (VAC) is the main youth work facility run by The Vine Trust and hosts a number of learning, leisure and social/personal development programmes for some of Walsall's most disadvantaged and vulnerable young people. Its core aims are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Enable young people to fulfil their potential and participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals able to make informed decisions about work, training, lifestyle and faith</li> <li>ii) Advance education and learning through programmes that re-engage those at risk of failure</li> <li>iii) Relieve unemployment by removing barriers</li> </ul>	<p>Oct 2015 – Nov 2015</p>	<p>£2,500</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>SB</p> <p>C&amp;YP</p>	<p>St. Matthew's</p>

	<p>and equipping young people to be better prepared for the workplace</p> <p>iv) Improve the life chances and social welfare of young people by providing access to constructive recreational and leisure activities</p> <p>Today, VAC hosts the Second Chances alternative education programme, which provides a varied timetable of group work, individual support through the Personal Coaches scheme and basic skills learning to motivate and equip young people aged 14-16 at risk of school failure and becoming NEET (not in education, employment or training) to prepare them for the transition into a vocation or career. The VAC also hosts a drop-in youth centre on Saturdays open to anyone aged 12-26 where a range of activities are provided for local youth, most of whom live within walking distance.</p>					
<p>Keep Safe – Open Your Eyes</p> <p>Street Teams</p>	<p>Street Teams is the only local charity in Walsall that specialises in working with high risk, sexually exploited and trafficked children and young people. The Keep Safe programme offers a multi-faceted approach to prevention involving community outreach work, workshops/alternative learning schemes, education and training programmes with schools, education, health and other professionals, and specialist work with gangs, boys, BAME communities and other youngsters deemed at high risk.</p> <p>In partnership with Walsall Licensing Department and Walsall Safeguarding Children's Board, we have been requested to train all Walsall licensed taxi drivers and</p>	<p>Oct 2015 – March 2016</p>	<p>£5,620</p>	<p>Street Teams admin, management, overheads, IT equipment</p> <p>Safeguarding Board / Licensing Dept venue hire</p>	<p>SSIC C&amp;YP</p>	<p>St. Matthew's</p>



	<p>new applicants on the issues of Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE).</p> <p>We are aware of how taxis are “used” in the grooming process and the internal trafficking of children locally, regionally and across the UK. Here in Walsall we want to work in partnership with licensing and drivers to take a proactive stance and unite in the fight against CSE. We are aware that taxi drivers can be the eyes and ears of spotting CSE and are currently a missing piece of the jigsaw, when it comes to sharing intelligence.</p> <p>We have put together a comprehensive training package looking at how to spot grooming, what it looks like locally, how to refer, the legal context and how the drivers should respond. We would also look at producing a “Safe Taxi” sticker to declare that CSE will not be tolerated in this vehicle.</p> <p>There are currently 1,500 licensed vehicles and another 15 applications per month for new drivers. We would like to be the first area across the West Midlands to launch this new proactive approach, that has been suggested by the Home Office, “trouble shooter”, Stephen Rimmer, Strategic Leader – Preventing Violence against Vulnerable People in the West Midlands.</p>					
<p>Paint The Town</p> <p>Walsall Council Creative Development</p>	<p>Creative Development Team will work in partnership with the Town Centre Management and with local groups and artists to make improvements to the look of the town centre during a time when a lot of regeneration changes mean there are ugly boards in at least 3 areas of the town centre.</p>	<p>Oct 2015 – Dec 2015</p>	<p>£2,684.50</p>	<p>Asda supplying primer paint</p>	<p>SB SSIC</p>	<p>St. Matthew's</p>

Team	<p>Paint The Town will involve local artists and local community groups in the production of a collection of painted panels. The panels will be a moveable exhibition that will be mounted on the boards surrounding regeneration sites in the town centre. The project will also involve volunteers from Asda and will seek other volunteers to paint and prepare the boards and keep an eye on the sites, repainting backgrounds if graffiti appears.</p> <p>The whole project will be supervised by Creative Development Team Art workers to create a colourful and cohesive overall design bringing a feature interest instead of a look of dereliction to the sites. A local sign writer will be employed to create attractive text and titles both about the plans for the site and about the groups involved in the panel art works. Care will be taken to use the appropriate materials and in selecting skilled artists to ensure the quality of the final product is both attractive and will last well. In consultation with the Town Centre Management the project will involve graphic style painting of attractive patterns with carefully chosen uplifting colours for both the designs and the background to appeal to a wide audience.</p>					
<p>Walsall Gala Baths – Child Friendly Learner Pool</p> <p>Walsall Council Sport &amp; Leisure Services</p>	<p>The council are currently investing £1M of capital budget into a facility refurbishment at Walsall Gala Baths. The project will see a boom installed into the 33m gala pool creating a 25m short course pool and a learner pool, as well as the creation of a new family changing village. The aim of the project is to increase the usage of the facility by making it more attractive to families, young children and older people. The capital investment can only cover the building improvements</p>	<p>Nov 2015 – Mar 2016</p>	<p>£4,984.57</p>	<p>Swimming instructors and lifeguard provision during over 500 hours of delivered sessions</p>	<p>H&amp;W-B SSIC C&amp;YP</p>	<p>St. Matthew's (but a benefit to all)</p>

	<p>and this bid is to purchase equipment to deliver new sessions in the improved facility to ensure that the new learner pool is attractive to children.</p> <p>The equipment that will be purchased is shown in the photos, included with the funding application.</p> <p>The secondary benefit of the project is that by delivering a good range of activities for children in the new learner pool, we will be able to dedicate the popular brine therapy pool to older adults, giving them more scope to be physically active too.</p>					
<p>Drug Paraphernalia Clean Up Campaign</p> <p>Hi's n Lows</p>	<p>We aim to visit known drug using sites, throughout the Walsall South footprint, on a regular basis, ensuring the more frequently used areas are visited more regularly, we will respond to reports of drug litter in priority order within 24 hours.</p> <p>In turn this will help us locate rough sleepers and to engage with drug users who we may not already be engaging with, with the aim to encourage them to attend the Glebe Centre for further support.</p>	<p>Nov 2015 – March 2016</p>	<p>£2,500</p>	<p>Volunteer time</p>	<p>H&amp;W-B SSIC</p>	<p>St. Matthew's  (but reaching out to all)</p>
<p>CCTV System</p> <p>St. Matthew's Church Community Centre</p>	<p>To install a HD CCTV system within the St. Matthew's Church Community Centre.</p> <p>To provide safety and security for visiting local community group users, local businesses and organisations hiring the facilities, church user groups including elderly members and toddlers/children's groups, local schools and youth clubs.</p> <p>To provide a deterrent to anti-social behaviour, vandalism and burglary.</p>	<p>Oct 2015 – Dec 2015</p>	<p>£5,298</p>	<p>£3,000 from the church</p>	<p>SB H&amp;W-B SSIC C&amp;YP</p>	<p>St. Matthew's</p>

<p>Battle of the Young Bands</p> <p>Chuckery Festival</p>	<p>The project aims to encourage and help to develop the young performing talent that is around in, and connected with, the local community of Walsall South. So although there is an element of competition in the project there are also many elements of coaching, mentoring and awareness raising including an overview session on financial, business and contractual matters.</p> <p>Phase 1 – Applications, expect approximately 100 participants</p> <p>Phase 2 – Section heats of the competition, about 150 involved, about 25/30 participants, 100+ audience plus organisers</p> <p>Phase 3 – Coaching, mentoring, masterclass, about 30 including participants, mentors/coaches and organisers</p> <p>Phase 4 – final event at the Chuckery Festival 2016, approximately 20 participants and 500+ audience.</p>	<p>Nov 2015 – March 2016</p>	<p>£1,250</p>	<p>Volunteer time</p>	<p>H&amp;W-B SSIC C&amp;YP</p>	<p>Paddock</p>
<p>Living Well with Diabetes</p> <p>Park Hall CA</p>	<p>Work with diabetics to increase knowledge and understanding of their illness.</p> <p>To raise awareness of signs and symptoms</p> <p>To stress the need for prompt intervention and careful management of the disease</p>	<p>Nov 2015 – March 2016</p>	<p>£1,850</p>	<p>CA volunteers, transport services, reception, catering</p>	<p>H&amp;W-B</p>	<p>Paddock</p>
<p>Park Hall Pool and Open Green</p>	<p>Continuing enhancement of this local beauty spot, in order to maintain its green award status and civic recognition. Ongoing monitoring of trees, shrubs and plants.</p>	<p>Oct 2015 – Jan 2016</p>	<p>£750</p>	<p>Volunteer time</p>	<p>SSIC C&amp;YP</p>	<p>Paddock</p>

<p>Music Class</p> <p>Gurdwara Nanak Sar</p>	<p>The Guru Nanak Sikh Temple would like to help young people from disadvantaged / various socio-economic backgrounds in the local area to improve their participation in music lessons at the school.</p> <p>The aim is to increase access to music and musical instruments for the young people, to create cohesion between young people from diverse backgrounds, the local community, including the temple and to help the young people increase their participation in music programmes at school.</p> <p>This would be achieved through a series of free of charge weekly music lessons facilitated at the temple. They will have access to a diverse range of south Asian musical instruments. We would aim the project at young people at Key Stage 2 or above.</p> <p>It will enable them to gain confidence in taking part in music lessons at school to a higher standard than they might achieve without attending the sessions.</p> <p>Education Authorities area aware that a large proportion of our youngsters in schools are not happily contributing or taking part in music lessons. Consequences of this include under achievement in exams, unrealised potential and a less rounded individual.</p>	<p>Oct 2015 – March 2016</p>	<p>£2, 680</p>	<p>Volunteer time, room hire and refreshments</p>	<p>H&amp;W-B</p> <p>SSIC</p> <p>C&amp;YP</p>	<p>Pleck</p>
<p>Minhaj Pleck Youth Club</p> <p>Minhaj Pleck Youth Club</p>	<p>Minhaj Pleck Youth Club has been working with young people (10 to 16 years old) since 2014. They involve the local young people in sports and academic activities. They have earned a good reputation through their workshops, inviting PCC and winning WHG 2015</p>	<p>Dec 2015 – March 2016</p>	<p>£4,500</p>	<p>Volunteer time</p>	<p>SSIC</p> <p>C&amp;YP</p>	<p>Pleck</p>

	<p>ROCCS Award.</p> <p>They want to improve further by supporting young people in after school education and homework so that the students who struggle in schools must be provided help and support to improve their attainment.</p>					
<p>Palfrey Health &amp; Well Being Day</p> <p>Indian Muslim Association</p>	<p>To deliver a 1 day health programme in a safe, welcoming, open and accessible environment that will help to raise awareness of health issues and highlight the importance of early intervention. The event will be open to the whole community and will involve free health checks, advice and workshops to be delivered in English and in a range of south Asian languages ranging from Gujarati, Urdu, Hindi and Bangladeshi where appropriate.</p>	<p>Oct 2015</p>	<p>£3,130</p>	<p>Volunteers and supervision</p>	<p>SB</p> <p>H&amp;W-B</p> <p>SSIC</p> <p>C&amp;YP</p>	<p>Palfrey</p>