

**Report to Brownhills/Pelsall/Rushall & Shelfield Area Panel**  
**31 March, 2014**  
**Funding Report**

**1. Context**

- 1.1 Following the change to the Council's Constitution, 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 already been approved (through the previous process of Area Managers approving, 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 (already presented to the Area Panel at an earlier agenda item), before being put forward to the Area Panel for consideration. Only valid applications that fulfil the criteria will be put to the 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).
- 2.2 The Area Panel is requested to consider the summarised project applications, set out in Appendix 2 (attached), be approved from the 2014/15 budget allocation

### 3. Carried Forward Projects

3.1 Below are projects that were approved in financial year 2012 / 13, but, for various reasons, were not completed in that financial year, therefore, a request was made to carry forward these funds for projects to be completed during this financial year:

Project	Description	Allocated funding	Match funding	Workstream	Ward
Silver Street Improvements	To improve the traffic flow by installing 3 speed cushions	£2500.00 Claimed £2500.00	£0.00	ALL	Brownhills
Gym Equipment	The installation of outdoor gym equipment in High Heath Park	£3000.00	£0.00	Green Spaces and Youth Provision	Shelfield and Rushall

### 4. Projects Approved

4.1 The following projects have already been approved prior to the change in the approval process by Council on 22 May, 2013 and are in progress.

	Description	Allocated funding	Match funding	Workstream	Ward
Navy Training Corps	To set up a Navy Training scheme for youths to attend	£2000.00 Claimed £2000.00	£0.00	Youth Activities	ALL

<b>Shelfield Pavilion</b>	<b>Through the purchase of paint and decorating items the Princes Trust were able to refresh the pavilion for further community use</b>	<b>£391.90 Claimed £391.90</b>	<b>£0.00 financially but multiple man hours from Princes trust team</b>	<b>Green Spaces and Youth Provision</b>	<b>Rushall &amp; Shelfield</b>
<b>IYPSS Summer Activities</b>	<b>To jointly fund the summer provision for delivery across the area partnership</b>	<b>£2000.00 Claimed £1949.67</b>	<b>£1000.00</b>	<b>Positive Activities For Younger People</b>	<b>ALL</b>
<b>Bin Installation at McDonalds</b>	<b>The joint purchase of a litter bin by McDonalds Rushall in order to reduce litter in the area</b>	<b>£110.00 Claimed £110.00</b>	<b>£110.00</b>	<b>Cleaner and Greener</b>	<b>Rushall &amp; Shelfield</b>
<b>Holland Park Security Improvements</b>	<b>To install security improvements on the gates at Holland park to reduce traveller encampments</b>	<b>£250.00 Claimed £200.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>Green Spaces and Reducing Crime and ASB</b>	<b>Brownhills</b>
<b>Holland Park and Pelsall Fun Days</b>	<b>To hire the Reach Up &amp; Move trucks for the 2 community fun days</b>	<b>£690.00 Claimed £253.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>Pelsall &amp; Brownhills</b>
<b>Walsall Get Active</b>	<b>Sport and leisure development team project for the Walsall Get Active website</b>	<b>£250.00</b>	<b>£250.00 from other 5 Area Partnership Areas</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>ALL</b>

4.2 The following project(s) were approved by the Panel at their meeting held on 27 June, 2013.

Project	Description	Project Timescales	Funding Requested	Match Funding	Workstream	Ward(s)
Animal Antics	To provide Animal experience for children at the library	27 <sup>th</sup> July 2013	£120.00 Claimed £120.00	£0.00	Positive activities for young people	Brownhills
It's A Knock Out 2013	Following on from the success of last years event the aim of the day will be to run a community day with a It's A Knock Out Competition and launch of the new area plans	10 <sup>th</sup> August 2013	£1200.00 Claimed £1159.90 AP Contribution	£1100.00 WHG £500 Taylor Wimpey	ALL	ALL
The Funday Times Summer Scheme	To prepare disadvantaged young people socially and mentally in the community	29 <sup>th</sup> July – 9 <sup>th</sup> August 2013	£1250.00 Claimed £1014.50	£2000.00 Department for Education & £1000.00 Staff Fundraising	Positive activities for young people	Rushall & Shelfield

4.3 The following project(s) were approved by the Panel at their meeting held on 30 September 2013.

Project	Description	Project Timescales	Funding Requested	Match Funding	Workstream	Ward(s)
Dome-hawk Deployment	To set aside funding to allow the deployment and repair of the CCTV cameras across the area partnership as required and highlighted by hotspots and statistical data	October 2013 – March 2014	£1000.00 Claimed £985.00	N/a	Reducing crime and Anti Social Behaviour	All

Car Parking Area	To assist the Community Association with the installation of marked parking bays and designated disabled bay. Overall this will improve the safety of the car park users and pedestrians accessing the centre	25 <sup>th</sup> October 2013 – 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2014	£1778.4 Claimed £1778.4	N/a	Clean & Green and Environmental Improvements	Brownhills
Holland Skate Park project	The project is aimed at working with the Colourful Crowd from Walsall College and young people from the area to revamp Holland Park Skate Park to make it more attractive and attract others to use the facility through tasteful graffiti	October 2013	£300.00 Claimed £300.00	£245.00 Green Spaces	Providing positive activities for younger people	Brownhills
Brownhills Shop Watch Radio Scheme	The project aims to provide the main retailers with radios to aid communication between themselves on a daily basis. The aim is that with increased ability to communicate the retail establishments can share important information and descriptions of known shop lifters. Or pass on details of people causing ASB. The radios will be monitored by Brownhills NHT when on duty so enhanced police attendance will be a further advantage.	December 2013	£607.46 Claimed £607.46	£374.94 Retail stores	Reducing Crime and ASB	Brownhills

4.4 The following project(s) were approved by the Panel at their meeting held on 10 December, 2013.

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Project	Description	Organisation	Project Timescales	Funding Requested	Match Funding	Workstream	Ward(s)
Family Learning Health Workshop	The family learning health workshops project is a small part of trying to instigate long term change in peoples choices and attitudes towards health. By educating the child and parent together the hope is to affect change in the whole family. The workshops will be delivered to 13 Schools - Brownhills West, Greenfield, Holy Trinity, Millfield, Pelsall Village, Radleys, Rushall, Ryders Hayes, St Bernadettes, St James, St Francis, St Michaels,	Life Education Centre West Midlands	1 <sup>st</sup> November 2013 – 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2014	£5005.00	N/a	Health & Providing positive activities for young people	All

	Watling Street across the area partnership with approx 700 pupils per school and will consist of the delivery of 2 x year 5 & 6 family learning workshops						
Enhancing Skills in the Community	<p>The project aim is to form a partnership with both Elmwood school and Pelsall Childrens centre to provide education opportunities in an under utilised facility within Elmwood school enabling specialist equipment and work areas to be used to deliver education not currently offered in the locality.</p> <p>The Objectives will be to work in partnership with local Childrens centre and Elmwood school to develop a suite of taster sessions in Cookery, Beauty Courses, Plumbing, Plastering, Brick Laying, and decorating aimed at those unemployed, families, young moms and young dads along with a general offer to encourage adults back into learning and gaining new skills. This will be used as a stepping stone to promote further learning opportunities with long-term employability a focus alongside gaining skills and recognised qualifications.</p>	Manor Farm CA	4 <sup>th</sup> November 2013 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2014	£3230.00	£2000 Childrens Centre £910 Manor Farm	Positive Activities For young People	Rushall & Shelfield

**4.6** The following project(s) were approved by the Panel at their meeting held on 2 December 2013

Project	Description	Organisation	Project Timescales	Funding Requested	Match Funding	Workstream	Ward(s)
Brownhills Christmas Magic	To assist the running costs of the Brownhills Christmas Event on the 14 <sup>th</sup> December. The event plans to offer a wide range of activities and stalls to all who attend. Other activities on the day include an Ice Rink that will be offered free to all those attending.	Town Centre Management	14 <sup>th</sup> December 2013	£1500.00 Claimed £1500.00	£2675.00	ALL	ALL

4.7 The following project(s) were approved by the Panel at their meeting held on 28 January 2014

Project	Description	Organisation	Project Timescales	Funding Requested	Match Funding	Workstream	Ward(s)
<p>Rushall Playing Fields Long Term Improvement Masterplan</p>	<p>Funding is required towards an holistic improvement project, which will transform Rushall Playing Fields and its facilities to provide a high quality inviting communal space catering for all age groups.</p> <p>The project will also help to improve communities understanding and respect for each other, long term involvement in the management of the playing fields and, help to reduce anti social behaviour as the young people are not at present being adequately catered for within the local community as identified by local strategies, community plans and extensive consultation.</p> <p>The project is a partnership between various Walsall Council services (Green Spaces, Clean and Green, Area Partnerships, IYPSS, ASB Team) and the Friends of Rushall Playing Fields and Rushall Development Group and the long term vision will be developed over a five to ten year improvement plan subject to securing external and partner funds.</p> <p>In addition the playing fields will be developed as a high quality community green space hub with a range of facilities and features including addressing youth provisions within the Playing Fields to incorporate a skate park, multi use</p>	<p>Clean and Green Services</p>	<p>February 2014 onwards</p>	<p>£18213.53</p>	<p>£220,000 Greenspaces £25,000 Highfield Trust £185,000 WHG £10,000</p>	<p>ALL</p>	<p>Rushall predominately, but the park can be accessed by anyone</p>

	games area, outdoor gym equipment and to improve the existing play area.						
Forest Schools – Pupil Parent Partnership	The school would like to purchase items to host a series of campfire / out of school hours sessions to expand open air learning wider than their school pupils and into families and the community, integrating the families / friends of our learners into the programme of outdoor skills they currently have within their forest school setting. This is separate to the curriculum and is an activity to integrate families, the local area and the school alike.	Ryders Hayes School	1 <sup>st</sup> February to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2014	£772.00	£1796.55 Ryders Hayes School	Cleaner & Greener Environmenta I Improvements , Health Inequalities and Positive Activities	Pelsall & Brownhill s

**4.8** This leaves a total of **£152.10** for the Area Panel to approve project applications.



## 5. Project Applications for Approval

- 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 panels' consideration is **£0.00**
- 5.3 If the projects presented in appendix 1 are approved, this will leave a total of **£152.10** to approve project applications for the remainder of the financial year

## 6. Project Applications for Approval From 2014-2015 budget

- 6.1 Attached at Appendix 2 are the summarised project applications deemed valid against Area Partnership funding criteria and put forward to the Area Panel for consideration from the 2014-2015 budget allocation.
- 6.2 The total proposed projects in Appendix 2 for the panels' consideration is **£4500.00**
- 6.3 If the projects presented in appendix 2 are approved, this will leave a total of **£35500.00** to approve project applications for the remainder of the financial year

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**Appendix 1**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Project Timescales</b>	<b>Funding Requested</b>	<b>Match Funding</b>	<b>Workstream</b>	<b>Ward(s)</b>

## Appendix 2

Project	Description	Organisation	Project Timescales	Funding Requested	Match Funding	Workstream	Ward(s)
Community Payback & Prince Trust Project work	<p>To enable community payback team and the Princes Trust to undertake projects within the Area Partnership, as &amp; when they are identified by community groups and partners. Such as painting/planting/environmental improvements.</p> <p>To enable young people who are on the Prince Trust to learn and gain value skills and experience which otherwise they would not have the opportunity to do. Helping them to work as a team to deliver community projects. Similarly allowing the community payback the opportunity to pay back the community by doing community work in areas identified . Bring the realisation of the positive impact that they can have in the community.</p>	Community Payback	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2014- 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2015	£1000.00	N/a	<p>Creating safe, Sustainable and Inclusive communities</p> <p>Supporting business to thrive and supporting local people into work</p> <p>Improving Safeguarding, Learning and Life Chances for children and young People</p>	All
High Heath Christmas Event	<p>High Heath Christmas Event will be a community Funday that is organised to celebrate Christmas collectively working with local partners, organisations to deliver a larger event to benefit the local community, residents and businesses.</p> <p>This event plans to offer a range of activities to raise the aspirations and civic pride of all involved and</p>	Friends of High Park	Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2014	£1500.00	£1934 WHG £5000 Volunteer Time	Creating safe, Sustainable and Inclusive communities	Rushall & Shelfield/ALL

	<p>attending including, school children, parents and families, local residents and community members, third sector groups, churches, partners and businesses.</p> <p>The activities planned are for all age ranges; with activities for all family members to participate in and enjoy on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December</p>						
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CCTV Deployment	<p>To explore and fund the deployment of CCTV following local tasking meetings, to assist police and partners to prevent and investigate incidents happening in Brownhills, Rushall-Shelfield &amp; Pelsall.</p> <p>Due to the increase in crime taking place in identified locations and to give reassurance to local residents. Help identify alleged perpetrators</p>	Area Partnerships	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2014-31 <sup>st</sup> March 2015	£2000.00	N/a	Creating safe, sustainable and inclusive communities	ALL