

**Pelsall and Rushall LNP – 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005**

**Funding Priorities for Action**

**Purpose of the Report**

To inform the LNP members of the funding priorities workshop that took place on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2005 and the next steps forward.

**Recommendations**

1. To note each project will be formally assessed by the LNP Project Team to ensure they meet all of the agreed criteria.
2. To note each project will be passed to the relevant council officer who will liaise with project champion when required
3. To receive feedback from the project champions on progress at the next LNP meeting

**Background**

Pelsall and Rushall LNP have been allocated £22,000 as a one-off sum to support the implementation and delivery of the local Partnership Plan.

To help to decide which projects and schemes should receive financial support from these allocations a checklist of questions has been produced and previously approved by Council Cabinet. A positive answer to most questions should help each LNP to justify and prioritise their funding priorities as well as demonstrate appropriate accountability.

The key questions included in the checklist cover the following:

- Resources must be for 'one-off' items that will have visible local impact
- Must be a demonstrable link to priorities identified in LNP local plan
- Must be a demonstrable link to Council Vision 2008 priorities
- Must not be contrary to council policy
- What is the impact of the proposed spending – e.g. who will benefit, how will they benefit, numbers of people who will benefit?
- Does the spending provide Value for Money?
- Will the proposed spending lever in any 'match funding' from other partners or other agencies?

- Any resources allocated will need a named officer responsible for spending the money in accordance with the Council's Financial Procedure Rules/Contract Procedure Rules.

The process for LNP's spending their resource allocation has been agreed by cabinet, as follows:

- LNP task group completes funding checklist for each proposal
- Report to LNP meeting outlining funding priorities
- LNP chair signs the completed checklists
- LNP Project team confirms checklist is complete and passes form to relevant service area.
- Progress reports by project champion to LNP meeting.

### **Feedback from the workshop**

The workshop was held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June to prioritise project ideas which could be funded via the £22,000 for the Pelsall and Rushall LNP area.

The list below displays the actions within the partnership plan which were selected

1. Local high profile campaign regarding litter and dog fouling
2. Improvement of parks and open spaces, fencing and tidying up
3. Increase number of litter bins available in the LNP area
4. Secure installation of physical measures to prevent access to common areas by motorcycles and other motorised bikes
5. Work towards getting a youth worker in Rushall
6. Develop inter-generational project
7. Assess possibility of establishing a small local business for litter picking using local personnel
8. Increase accessibility to chemists in Rushall area on weekends
9. Encourage use of message in a bottle for people on medication
10. Explore CCTV provision in village centres

11. The LNP to lobby major retailers, such as ASDA to supply a subsidised shopping bus.
12. Develop a project working with the parents of disaffected children
13. Identify what facilities (ie social, recreational etc) are lacking and areas where potential exists to develop them eg internet cafes, greater use of parks and facilities etc.
14. Identify hot spots to enable specific initiatives to be targeted there
15. The opening of 'Poppies' a drugs centre was felt to be a positive move and one which should be strongly supported by the LNP
16. Development of Health Centre to serve Pelsall
17. Limited waiting signs required at St Michaels School
18. Improved sign posting particularly defining the boundaries of Sheffield and High Heath

Actions 7 to 18 have been deferred to the task group to enable further considerations of the actions identified.

Following this priorities exercise, the Task Group discussed the options chosen by the members. While discussing, projects champions were identified for each project.

### **Local high profile campaign regarding litter and dog fouling**

This project would be looking at getting the dog warden van into the LNP area over 2 days to help address the issue of dog fouling

Approximate project cost £600

LNP Project Champion – Cllr Walker

### **Improvement of parks and open spaces, fencing and tidying up**

Improvements to High Heath park to help define the area. Railings along the Spring Lane, community notice board for the park and benches.

Approximate project cost £4,500

LNP Project Champion – Cllr Walker

Improve space adjacent to Pelsall Common, either to have a landscape garden or a feature around Sister Dora and her work in the Pelsall Colliery Disaster.

Approximate project cost £3,000

LNP Project Champion – Cllr Longhi

Christmas tree holders for the whole LNP area, the holders would be shop keepers.  
Approximate project cost £2,000  
LNP Project Champion – Ron Carpenter

#### **Increase number of litter bins available in the LNP area**

A bin by Stubbers Green  
Approximate project cost £500  
LNP Project Champion – Cllr Micklewright

#### **Secure installation of physical measures to prevent access to common areas by motorcycles and other motorised bikes**

Replace fence at Pelsall Community Centre which is by the bowling green  
Approximate project cost £2,000  
LNP Project Champion – Cllr Longhi

#### **Work towards getting a youth worker in Rushall**

In response to the action the project proposed would be focusing upon taking young people from the LNP area on a workshop based/residential programme that would focus upon crime prevention, drug awareness and other wider issues affecting young people activities. This would support the work of the detached youth work scheme in Rushall and wider provision Pelsall and Shelfield.  
Approximate project cost £7,000  
LNP Project Champion – Lorriane Randall

#### **Develop inter-generational project**

To establish a greenhouse programme in primary schools in the LNP area to look at environmental issues and citizenship.  
Approximate project cost £1,000  
LNP Project Champion – John Ree

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