

OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (WOKING)

ALLOCATING LOCAL COMMITTEE FUNDING: MEMBERS' ALLOCATIONS

26 March 2012

KEY ISSUE

To set out the funding available for county councillors' allocations for 2011/12 and to consider the requests received.

SUMMARY

This report lists and makes recommendations on bids received for members' allocations which have been sponsored by at least one member.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The local committee (Woking) is asked to:

- Consider and approve the proposed expenditure from the members' allocation budget 2011/12 as set out in para 3.1
- ii. Note the allocations approved under delegated powers between the last local committee on 7 December 2011 and 26 March 2012.

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

Members Allocation

- 1.1 The County Council's budget for 2011/12 made available £58,870 to be spent on local projects to promote the social, environmental or economic well-being of the people of Woking. This amounts to £8,410 revenue for each county member of the committee.
- 1.2 An additional capital allocation of £35,000 has been made available to each Surrey County Council local committee.
- 1.3 An additional £150 has been returned from 2010/11 revenue budget from Peer productions due to a production not taking place in one of the schools. This figure has been added to the total for this year and is reflected in the total amount available to this meeting.
- 1.4 Members of the local committee (Woking) agreed at the meeting on 29 June 2011 to pool available funds, and that as a guideline, to set a limit of £3,000 for bids to both the capital and revenue funds, but noting the committee may make an exception for larger borough wide schemes.
- 1.5 Member allocation funding is made to organisations on a one-off basis, so that there should be no expectation of future funding for the same or similar purpose.

2 ANALYSIS

2.1 Each project detailed below has completed a standard application form giving further details of timescales, purpose and other funding applications made. The member proposing each project assesses its merits, before the project can be included as a proposal for funding in the report to committee.

3 OPTIONS

3.1 Bids received

The table below shows all bids received which have been sponsored by at least one member. They are therefore all eligible for decision by the local committee.

	Project summary	Capita I/ Reven ue	Member sponsor	Requested	Recom- mended
1	Mayford Hall Bowling Club is looking for funding to repair the wall alongside the bowling green. The wall has fallen over due to age and is now unsafe. The funding requested is as follows: £2,826 made up of £2,277 for footings and brickwork £549 for chipping out concrete and laying slabs The total cost of the project is £3,375. the remainder of the funding will come from either Woking BC small grants scheme or from the club's funds. The club has not received funding from the Woking Local Committee previously.	Capit	Will Forster/ Linda Kemeny	£2,826	£2,826
2	Sythwood Children's Centre has requested £3,455 to refurbish the kitchen, which is not suitable for food preparation, at the Old Woking Community Centre. This work will involve the updating and relocation of electrical sockets and the purchase and installation of new appliances. The project will benefit the many different groups who use the Community Centre and as a result the Old Woking Children's Centre will be able to offer cookery classes to the parents with children under the age of 5 in reach of the children's Centre and also hold other healthy eating events. The total cost of the project is £5,715 and it has already been agreed that the remainder will be funded from SCC self reliance funding. The Children's Centre has not received any funding previously from the Woking Local Committee.	Capit	Will Forster	£3,455	£3,455

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3	Woking Football Club would like to run a project <i>Creating & Developing Opportunities for All</i> which will bring together local boys and girls to play football with structured coaching. The courses would be held over two evenings a week, starting during the Easter Holidays and running to Half Term in October (20 weeks). One of the weekly sessions will be aimed at pre-teens and will be held at Westfield Common and the other aimed for teenagers will be at Bonsey Lane recreation ground. The course aims to help with low self esteem, self confidence and health and will aim to engage with young people, including those with NEETs and children disengaged with school. The cost of the project is £2,534 and the club is requesting £1,934. This funding will be subject to Woking Football Club making this equipment available for future community events carried out by them and not to be incorporate for Woking FC to use solely for their purposes.	Reve	Will Forster	£1,934	£1,934
4	Woking Hockey Club is requesting £3,000 towards a new alarm system with the capability to remotely open and lock the clubhouse and turn on and off the floodlights. The system allows activation from any computer/ I phone/I pad. The alarm will give the club many benefits including: • Automatic lock up after set period • Alarm set to open at set times – very useful for external bookers • Reduce the number of unnecessary trips to club by staff The club currently has 614 members. The full cost of the project is £4,045 plus VAT. The club received £17,000 in October 2009 towards the cost of new hockey dug outs and hockey and football goals.	Reve	Ben Carasco	£3,000	£3,000

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5	Maybury Neighbourhood Advice Centre would like to upgrade and modernise the IT systems in the centre, which provides advice and information to the community on a variety of matters including job seeking, benefits, housing, health and immigration. The improved IT equipment will make available the tools to help reduce unemployment by assisting with online job searches, composing CVs and job applications. The total cost of the project is approximately £7,000 made up of: • Printer £2,345	Revn	Will Forster on behalf of Mohammed Amin	£5,000	£5,000
	 4 x workstations £538 = £2,152 2 x laptops @ £729 = £1,458 1 x network switch @ £288 The Neighbourhood Advice Centre is requesting £5,000 and has not received funding from the Woking Local Committee before.				
6	West Byfleet Business Association is requesting funding towards the complete refurbishment of the Public Information and Noticeboards including the map and location finders in the Byfleet, West Byfleet and Pyrford areas. The boards are already sited in strategic places, but require work of repainting, updating and new covers. The total cost of the project is approximately £2,000 and the Business Association would like £1,500. The organisation has not received funding in the past.	Reve nue	Geoff Marlow	£1,500	£1,500
7	Horsell Residents Association wish to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee with a street party. A large number of community groups are working together to organise the event. The Residents Association is requesting £2,700 to cover the following costs: • £550 to cover public liability insurance • £650 for the big lunch street party including equipment hire, decorations, road closure signs, first aid support • £150 to cover prizes and games equipment • £400 for staging, microphones, performers and PA equipment • £350 for history research and IT • £600 to cover printing and photocopying publicity material The Residents Association has not received funding previously.	Reve	Ben Carasco	£2,700	£2,700

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8	 SCC Operations, Highways & Countryside Service would like £14,893 to install heritage street lighting at the following locations: 8 x Iffley columns in Pyrford - Coldharbour Rd, continuation into Upshott Lane to junction with Hacketts Lane Cost: £3,723 8 x type A columns to be installed from the roundabout on B382 High Street, Old Woking to the Grange Cost: £9,309 4 x Iffley columns in Church Street, Old Woking Cost: £1,861 SCC Highways have previously received funding for various projects from the Woking Local Committee. 	Reve nue/ Capit al	Liz Bowes	1	£14,893
	TOTAL Capital Revenue				£12,343 £22,965
	Total available to this meeting: Capital Revenue (including £150 from peer productions)				£12,343 £26,754
	Balance for future use Capital Revenue				£0 £3,789

4 Funding Allocated under Delegated Powers since 7 December 2011

- 4.1 On 10th January 2012 The Community Partnerships Team West Team Leader agreed, under delegated powers, that the Eikon Charity receive £1,000 (2 x £500) to pay for the training programmes for two Eikon youth advisors to deliver Strengthening Families courses.
- 4.2 On 23rd February 2012 The Community Partnerships Team West Team Leader agreed, under delegated powers, that Woking Borough Council receive £1,000 to contribute towards the purchase of Play Safe, Stay Safe, Keep Safe workbooks for the Junior Citizen Scheme.

5 CONSULTATIONS

5.1 As part of the standard application, each project must demonstrate that they have undertaken some consultation with service users or the

community to show that the project is needed and will benefit people in the area.

6 VALUE FOR MONEY AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Applicants for member allocations funding must provide costed proposals and supply evidence of spend after project completion

7 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The applications for member allocations will benefit people of different ages, race and gender.

8 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are no specific crime and disorder implications.

9 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 The spending proposals put forward for this meeting have been assessed against the county standards for appropriateness and value for money and it is recommended that they should be approved.

10 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 The proposals brought before the committee fulfil the agreed criteria for member allocations funding.

11 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

11.1 The Community Partnerships Team will write to all of the organisations that have made applications to the Committee to advise them of the Committee's decision, with a copy of the Funding Agreement for them to sign as appropriate. When this has been signed and returned, the funding will be released, and a monitoring report will be requested three months subsequent to that date.

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Local Committee bids funded to date from April 2011 Budget by project and Member

Annex 1

Project summary	Capital/ Revenue	Member sponsor	Date Approved	Agreed
Pyrford Village Hall Fence	Capital	Liz Bowes	29/06/2011	£1999
Horsell Allotment Association-	Capital	Ben Carasco	29/09/2011	£994
Ribat Community Gardening Project	Revenue/Ca pital	Mohammed Amin	29/06/2011	£890 C £1610 R
Fosters Lane (Knaphill Association)	Revenue	Diana Smith	29/06/2011	£3682
Horsell Village Show	Capital	Ben Carasco	29/06/2011	£1000
Woking Eid in the Park	Revenue	Mohammed Amin	29/06/2011	£3170
Surrey Save Credit Union	Capital	Will Forster	29/06/2011	£5904
Goldsworth Care	Revenue	Diana Smith	9/09/2011	£720
Pyrford Village Event 2012 Olympics:	Revenue	Liz Bowes	12/10/2011	£5000
Surrey Archaelogical Society:	Revenue	Ben Carasco	12/10/2011	£2000
Woking Explorer Scouts:	Revenue	Geoff Marlow	12/10/2011	£2900
Surrey County Council Libraries:	Revenue	Liz Bowes	12/10/2011	£5000
Brookwood Primary School: Brookwood Buddies' Playground Project.	Capital	Linda Kemeny	12/10/2011	£5000
Friends of Byfleet Parish Day: The Queens Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.	Revenue	Geoff Marlow	12/10/2011	£3000
Grit Bins- Finch Close Knaphill	Revenue	Diana Smith	12/10/2011	£1000
Attitude Youth Club	Revenue	Will Forster	12/10/2011	£5039
One in Four Surrey	Capital	Will Forster	07/12/2011	£1570
Friends of Byfleet Library	Revenue	Geoff Marlow	07/12/2011	£2980
British Red Cross	Revenue	Liz Bowes	07/12/2011	£500
The Lightbox	Revenue	Linda Kemeny	07/12/2011	£2,975
Trinity Methodist Church	Capital	Ben Carasco	07/12/2011	£3,000
Grit Bins	Capital/Reve nue	Will Forster	07/12/2011	£2,300 C £3,690 R

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The Eikon Charity	Revenue	Geoff Marlow	10/1/2012	£500
The Eikon Charity	Revenue	Will Forster	10/1/2012	£500
Woking Borough Council	Revenue	Will Forster	23/2/2012	£1,000
Total				
Capital				£22,657
Revenue				£45,266

Total Allocations to date by Member:

Member	Capital	Revenue
Mohammed Amin	£890	£4,780
Liz Bowes	£1,999	£10,500
Ben Carasco	£4,994	£2,000
Will Forster	£9,774	£10,229
Linda Kemeny	£5,000	£2,975
Geoff Marlow		£9,380
Diana Smith		£5,402
Total	£22,657	£45,266