

MEMBERS' LOCAL FUNDS

Mole Valley Local Committee 20 November 2002

KEY ISSUE:

To consider a bid against the Members' Local Allocation and to note the approval of another bid that fell below the £500 threshold agreed at the July Local Committee. To also consider a bid against the local Community Safety funding

SUMMARY:

Members are asked to consider a bid for £1,960, proposed by David Gollin, for a two week peer group activity during the long summer break for approximately 12 to 15 young adults with learning difficulties between the ages of 16 and 30.

Members are also asked to note the approval of £400.15 for renovation of sash windows at the Friend's Meeting House, Butter Hill, Dorking (Proposed by David Timms, with support from Helyn Clack).

To date £74,894 of the £105,000 fund has been approved.

Members are also asked to consider a bid against the local community safety funding for £2,000 to bring the Mole Valley contribution to the East Surrey Domestic Violence Forum in line with that provided by Tandridge and Reigate & Banstead.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is RECOMMENDED that the Committee should:

- approve the bid for £1,960 from the Members' Local Allocation for peer group activity,
- ii. note the approval of £400 for the Butter Hill Friend's Meeting House
- iii. approve the bid for £2,000 from community safety funding for the East Surrey Domestic Violence Forum

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OUTLINE OF BIDS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Members Local Allocation - £1,960 (Proposed by David Gollin)

Aldag are proposing to hold two weeks of peer group activity during the long summer break for approximately 12 to 15 young adults with learning difficulties between the ages of 16 and 30.

The group will be based in Ashtead, headed by two paid staff both experienced in Learning Disabilities, and supported by a team of volunteers. They will need a base for the in-house days and a mini bus for transport on days out. It is proposed that they shall have a total of 5 days in and 5 days out.

Participants will be required to pay a fee for the two weeks plus any entrance costs, additional transport costs e.g. train fares.

Staff costs (2 people for 2 weeks)	£1,000.00
Minibus costs	£ 350.00
Room Hire	£ 360.00
Incidental costs – materials etc	£ 250.00

They are applying to local organisations for funding and would like the Local Committee to underwrite the costs above in order that they may proceed with staff recruitment and advertising etc.

£1960.00

Recommendation: That the Committee agrees to underwrite up to £1,960 in the event of Aldag being unsuccessful in finding funding from other sources

2. Local Community Safety funding - £2,000

TOTAL REQUESTED

The Mole Valley Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) is already contributing £9,000 per annum towards the costs of a Domestic Violence outreach worker in Mole Valley, delivered by the East Surrey Domestic Violence Forum (total cost £26,000). They are generally regarded as providing an excellent and much needed service. At the end of 2002/03 their Lottery grant funding comes to an end and they are asking Surrey County Council to contribute £5,000 per district in future to continue the service. The Community Support Teams in the other two East Surrey districts (Tandridge and Reigate & Banstead) have already agreed to do this. In Mole Valley the County Council is already committed to contributing £3,000 through the CDRP for next year as one third of the Partnership's total contribution leaving us £2,000 short of the target. This bid is therefore for £2,000 to bring up our contribution to £5,000 in total. It could be paid from either this year's or next year's C&D budget.

Recommendation: That the Committee agrees to contribute £2,000 to bring the County Council's total contribution to £5,000.