

## OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (MOLE VALLEY)

# LOCAL COMMITTEE FUNDING

## 13 SEPTEMBER 2010

## **KEY ISSUE**

To consider the proposals contained within the report for Local Committee (Mole Valley) for delegated funding from the 2010/11 budget.

## SUMMARY

Members are asked to consider 8 proposals for formal approval from the Local Allocation funding. Details of the proposals are outlined in <u>Annexe A</u>:

- £2,000 capital
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  £5,000 capital
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  £4000
  Leatherhead Youth Project, storage equipment
  Westhumble cricket pavilion electricity supply
  Surrey Highways (A29 Ockley scheme)
  £4000
- £4000 Dorking Christian Centre, to supply and fit a new boiler (£1,500 revenue and £2,500 capital)
- £4,000 revenue
  Surrey Wildlife Trust to build a new kiln in Norbury Park
- £2,000 revenue
  Liquid Connection The Grind youth project
- £2,000 revenue
  Leatherhead Drama Festival in 2011
- £1,500 revenue Bookham Afternoon Bridge Club scoring system

Members are also asked to note 3 bids that fall below the £1,000 threshold:

- £500 revenue 8th Horley (Charlwood) Scout Group maintenance
- £750 revenue
  Leatherhead Area Partnership operation costs
- £850 revenue Pitstop Drop-in Centre, Laptop and Internet router

Details of the bids will be available on the day half an hour before committee begins.

### OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

The Local Committee (Mole Valley) is asked to:

- (i) Approve the proposals detailed in <u>Annexe A</u> totalling £23,000
- (ii) Note the approval of proposals which fall below the £1,000 threshold totalling £2,100

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Surrey County Council's Local Committees have been delegated power to take decisions in response to local needs within the County Council's power of well-being, up to a maximum sum per County Council member of the Committee. In addition the County Council have also delegated a capital sum to Local Committees. This funding is determined annually as part of the Council's budget process.

## 2 FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK FOR LOCAL COMMITTEES

- 2.1 To give Local Committees maximum flexibility, the key underlying principle is that Local Committees are at liberty to spend on locally determined priorities that meet local social, economic or environmental well-being.
- 2.2 The Local Committee has previously resolved that priorities for spending the delegated funding should come from the County Council's corporate plan, or the Mole Valley Community Strategy, or other sources, or any combination of these.
- 2.3 The Committee has agreed a process for agreeing small funding allocations (up to £1,000) outside of formal committee meetings, with approval delegated to the Area Director in consultation with members.

## 3 LOCAL COMMITTEE DELEGATED BUDGETS 2010/11

- 3.1 The County Council has approved delegated funding to Local Committees of £8,250 revenue funding per County Council member and £30,000 capital for voluntary organisations per Committee.
- 3.2 Bids that have been submitted for consideration which exceed the £1,000 threshold are detailed in <u>Annexe A</u>.

## 4 OPTIONS

4.1 It is open to the Local Committee to approve the proposals for funding or not.

### 5 CONSULTATIONS

5.1 Consultation may have been carried out by the organisation receiving funding, the local Member or by the Local Partnerships Team, depending on the project. Further details are available on request.

## 6 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The Local Committee delegated revenue funding for 2010/11 is £49,500 (£8,250 per County Councillor).

6.2 The Local Committee capital funding for 2010/11 is £30,000.

### 7 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The Local Committee funding can be allocated to projects that benefit a diverse range of community needs.

### 8 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

8.1 The Local Committee funding can be allocated to projects that benefit a diverse range of community safety needs.

## 9 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 9.1 Surrey County Council Local Committees receive delegated funding to allocate on locally determined purposes that meet local social, economic or environmental well-being.
- 9.2 The Local Committee is asked to consider the items submitted for funding from 2010/11 Local Committee delegated revenue budget.

### 10 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 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.

### 11 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

- 11.1 If approved by the Local Committee, organisations will be approached to sign funding agreements for their projects, based on the bids submitted.
- 11.2 The Local Partnerships will process all payments as soon as possible once the agreement has been received.
- 11.3 Any proposals for consideration at the next formal Local Committee should reach the Local Partnerships Team **no later than Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2010.**

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