



**SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL  
COMMITTEE IN SPELTHORNE  
19<sup>th</sup> June 2006**

**MEMBERS' FUNDS**

**KEY ISSUE:**

To agree the criteria and process for the use of Members' Funds and make decisions on funding proposals.

**SUMMARY:**

The report outlines the proposed criteria and process for the use of Members' Funds and makes recommendations on a number of proposals.

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The Committee is asked:

1. To agree to the criteria adopted for the 2005/06 financial year for the use of Member's Funds as set out at Appendix 1.
2. To agree that the Area Director, in consultation with the Chairman and relevant Divisional Member, be authorised to approve the use of an individual Member's allocation for projects up to £1,000 which will be reported for information at the next Local Committee meeting.
3. To note the funding approved under delegated authority in the last

financial year 2005/6 (paragraphs 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8 and 2.9).

4. To note the funding approved under delegated authority (paragraphs 2.10 and 2.11)
5. To consider an application for funding of £2150 to the Youth Development Service towards the costs of new equipment, lighting and storage for the archery project at Leacroft Centre. Members are asked if they wish to contribute and if so, how much.
6. To consider making a contribution towards the High Sheriff Youth Awards and if so at what level and by whom.
7. To consider funding an advertisement in the Staines & Ashford Informer and the Surrey Herald for the next three Local Committees and if so how much and by whom.
8. To consider an application for funding of £267 from Woodthorpe Bowls Club from Mrs Coleman's allocation.
9. To consider an application from Staines & Laleham Sports Association for funding of £7000 to improve the security of the Staines and Laleham Cricket Club site. Members are asked if they wish to contribute and if so, how much and by whom.
11. To consider an application from Staines & Laleham Cricket Club for funding of £3000 towards the costs of a new outdoor cricket net facility. Members are asked if they wish to contribute and if so, how much and by whom.
12. To consider an application for funding from the capital allocation of £4-5000 for the development of an outdoor learning area at the Acorn Specialist Centre at Ashford Park Primary School.

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The budget for 2006/07 made the following funds available. These figures show the amounts outstanding after taking into account any delegated authority items.

### Member's Revenue Allocation

	Balance Remaining £
Mrs Saliagopoulos	11,000
Ms Turner	11,000
Mr Agarwal	11,000
Mr Beardsmore	10808.88
Mr Burrell	10701.88
Mrs Coleman	11,000
Mr Davies	10808.88

**Total £ 76319.64**

## **Committee Capital Allocation**

**Total £ 35,000**

1.2 The criteria applied to the use of funds in 2005/06, are attached as Appendix 1.

## **2.0 MEMBER'S REVENUE ALLOCATION**

### **DELEGATED AUTHORITY 2005/06**

#### **2.1. Blue Flame Bowls Club £197.94 (Carol Coleman)**

A sum of £179.94 from Mrs Coleman's allocation was agreed towards the costs of bowls gatherers.

#### **2.2. Anti-Bullying Film - Spelthorne Youth Council £750 (Denise Saliagopoulos)**

A sum of £750 from Mrs Saliagopoulos' allocation was agreed towards the costs of making an anti-bullying film. The film will be distributed to all secondary schools within Spelthorne.

#### **2.3. Kiddiwinks £650 (Ian Beardsmore)**

A sum of £650 from Mr Beardsmore's allocation was agreed towards the cost of establishing a drop-in centre at St Saviours Church in Sunbury. This would benefit carers and young parents within Sunbury Cross and Ashford.

#### **2.4. Clarendon Primary School £90 (Carol Coleman)**

A sum of £90 from Mrs Coleman's allocation was agreed towards the costs of an outdoor storage shed.

#### **2.5 CREST £193 (Carol Coleman)**

A sum of £193 from Mrs Coleman's allocation was agreed towards the costs of a laminator and pouches.

#### **2.6 Salvation Army £605 (Denise Turner)**

A sum of £605 from Mrs Turner's allocation was agreed towards the costs of a laptop computer and outdoor games.

#### **2.7 Stanwell Youth Centre £605 (Victor Agarwal)**

A sum of £605 from Mr Agarwal's allocation was agreed towards the costs of a music system at Stanwell Youth Centre.

#### **2.8 Shepperton Horticultural Association £143 (Laurie Burrell)**

A sum of £143 from Mr Burrell's allocation was agreed towards the costs of plants.

**2.9 Bollards £143 (Frank Davies)**

A sum of £143 from Mr Davies' allocation was agreed towards the costs of replacement bollards.

**DELEGATED AUTHORITY 2006/07**

**2.10 Advert for Local Committee £573.36 (Ian Beardsmore/Laurie Burrell/Frank Davies)**

A sum of £191.12 each from Mr Beardsmore, Mr Burrell and Mr Davies' allocation was agreed towards the costs of an advertisement for the Local Committee in the Staines & Ashford Informer and the Surrey Herald.

**2.11 Shepperton Horticultural Association £107 (Laurie Burrell)**

A sum of £107 from Mr Burrell's allocation was agreed towards the costs of plants.

**FUNDING BIDS**

The following new requests for funding have been received since the last meeting of the Local Committee. The name of the Divisional Member or Member proposing the scheme is in brackets and where the project would benefit Spelthorne residents Borough wide these have been proposed by the Chairman.

**2.12 Leacroft Centre (£2150)(Carol Coleman)**

The Archery project in the Leacroft Centre is seeking funding of £2150 from the Local Committee to purchase equipment (10 new targets, 7 bowsights, 12 bowstrings, arm braces, finger tabs, fletchings), install a support system to allow vertical storage of the target bosses, purchase halogen lighting, lockable storage cupboards and new back stop curtains and rail. The overall costs are estimated to be £4300 and the Youth Development Service are seeking 50% of these costs. The rest of the funding will be met through the Centre's funding. This will benefit existing members (in excess of 65 members), some of whom are disabled. Members are asked if they wish to contribute and, if so, how much and by whom.

**2.13 High Sheriff Youth Awards (Denise Saliagopoulos as Chairman)**

The High Sheriff presides over an awards scheme offering recognition with a certificate of merit and seed corn-funding for local projects, which reduce crime and anti-social behaviour in Surrey communities. The awards currently range from £50 to £500 depending on the nature of the project, with the emphasis specifically on start-up costs for new projects. Members are asked whether a contribution should be made and, if so, how much and by whom.

**2.14 Advertisements in the Surrey Herald and the Staines & Ashford Informer £1290.06 (Denise Saliagopoulos as Chairman)**

To provide funding for advertisements for the Local Committees in September 2006, December 2006 and March 2007. Members are asked whether they are willing to contribute to this funding and, if so, how much and by whom.

**2.15 Woodthorpe Bowls Club (£267)(Carol Coleman)**

Woodthorpe Bowls Club are seeking funding of £267 for a storage facility. The funding will be drawn from Mrs Coleman's allocation.

**2.16 Staines and Laleham Sports Association (£7000)(Denise Turner)**

The Staines and Laleham Sports Association (SALSAL) is the governing body of four sports (Staines Hockey Club, Staines and Laleham Cricket Club, Laleham Archery Club and Staines Albion Football Club) played at the Staines and Laleham Cricket Club on the Worple Road site. They wish to erect a secure fence along one side of the site to stop illegal access and curtail vandalism, graffiti and other anti-social behaviour on the site. In addition, they would like to install CCTV and movement-sensitive lighting and security system. The total cost of the fencing is estimated to be £17000 and the CCTV and lighting system is £2000. SALSAL is seeking funding of £5000 towards the fencing and £2000 towards the CCTV and lighting system. Additional funding for the fencing has already been raised through Laleham Archery Club (£8500) and SALSAL funds (£3500). SALSAL consider that the funding will benefit the wider community who are members of SALSAL and others in the local community who visit the site and make use of the amenities. SALSAL's accounts to 30 September 2004 show reserves of £72,462, however they also have outstanding loans of £199147, which are reducing annually. More recent accounts are currently being audited. Members are asked if they wish to contribute and, if so, how much and by whom.

**2.17 Staines & Laleham Cricket Club (£3000)(Denise Turner)**

Staines and Laleham Cricket Club are seeking funding of £3000 towards the costs of a new outdoor cricket net facility to replace the existing unsafe facility and to provide a coaching/training cricket facility for primarily Club Colts (ages 8-15), local schools, Senior Club Members and local companies/organisations. The Club consider that the enhanced facility will enable them to develop the skills and abilities of children aged 8-15 and to provide warm-up practice facilities. The total cost of the project is estimated to be at least £12000 and the Club are seeking funding of £3000 to match the existing monies raised for this project by the Cricket Club in 2006. The accounts for the Cricket Club show reserves of £2429 as at 31 December 2005. Members are asked if they wish to contribute and, if so, how much and by whom.

**3.00 Capital Allocation****3.1 Outdoor Learning Area, Ashford Park Primary School (£4-5000)(Denise Turner)**

The Acorn Specialist Centre for Children with Moderate Learning Disabilities is based at Ashford Park Primary School. They would like to develop an outdoor learning area in the grounds of the school, to include patio area, turning a large window into double doors, installing an outside tap and water butt, sensory garden and outdoor equipment and toys. The total cost of the project is estimated to be £11500, and they are seeking funding of £4-5000

from Members Funds. Surrey LEA has contributed £3500 and £2000 will be used from the Centre's own budget.

#### **4.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The contributions proposed will benefit a wide range of adults and children in Spelthorne, some of whom may have disabilities.

#### **5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 Paragraph 1.1 sets out what remains of both the individual and collective Members revenue allocation.

5.2 There are sufficient funds from which the proposals in paragraphs 2.12, 2.13, 2.14, 2.15, 2.16, 2.17, and 3.1 could be funded.

#### **6.0 CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

6.1 These proposals meet the criteria agreed by the Committee for financial support.

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**BACKGROUND PAPERS:**

## APPENDIX 1

### CRITERIA FOR USE OF FUNDS

#### MEMBER'S REVENUE ALLOCATION

- Support for any one project will not normally exceed £10,000.
- Any proposal to be considered by Committee must be proposed by at least one Member who is willing to provide at least some financial support to the project. However, Members whose funds are totally committed may still put proposals forward for support by the Committee.
- The funds will not be used to cover revenue costs – expenditure must be of a one-off nature or serve as “pump-priming”.
- Contributions will not normally be made to cover funding gaps arising from budget reduction decisions.
- Priority will be given to proposals attracting an element of match funding.
- Proposals will be considered from SCC services, other statutory bodies and voluntary organisations.

#### COMMITTEE CAPITAL ALLOCATION

The balance of the £35,000 initially allocated to support capital projects through voluntary organisations will be used for any suitable project promoting well being in Spelthorne and agreed by the Committee. These funds are not allocated to individual Members but are to allocated by Committee decision.

The following is a definition for “capital” in these circumstances:

Capital expenditure is defined as the acquisition, construction, enhancement or replacement of an asset. An asset can be land & buildings, vehicles, plant, furniture & equipment or infrastructure. In order for an asset to be capitalised it should yield benefits for a period of more than one year.

It is proposed that the following criteria should apply to this fund:

- Any proposal to be considered by Committee must be put forward by at least one Member.
- Priority will be given to proposals attracting an element of match funding.
- Proposals must be of a local nature and be for the benefit of the people of Spelthorne.