



**OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE
(Surrey Heath)**

SMALL DISADVANTAGED AREAS FUND 2010-2011

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KEY ISSUE

To inform the Local Committee of the decisions made by the Small Disadvantaged Areas Fund Panel.

SUMMARY

In 2010, Local Committees were asked to consider bids submitted for funding within their borough, and recommend to the Small Disadvantaged Areas Fund Panel those which it considered should be funded through the Small Disadvantaged Areas Fund. Three bids were recommended to the Panel for consideration.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

The Local Committee (Surrey Heath) is asked to:

- (i) Note the decisions of the Small Disadvantaged Areas Fund Panel with regard to bids recommended by the Surrey Heath Local Committee.

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 In May 2010, Dr Andrew Povey, the Leader of Surrey County Council, announced a new fund from the Project Initiatives Fund called the Small Disadvantaged Areas Fund.
- 1.2 The purpose of the Fund was to develop initiatives which reduced inequalities and empowered small to medium-sized communities in Surrey which experience relative disadvantage.

- 1.3 Local Committees were requested to assess the bids that were submitted for projects within their area, and decide which bids should be submitted for consideration by the Small Disadvantaged Fund Panel.

2 ANALYSIS

- 2.1 Three bids were submitted to the SCC Local Committee Surrey Heath:

Chobham Recreation Ground Charitable Trust

Applied for: **£125,000.00** for works to the children's playground, scout hut kitchen and the football club pavilion

St Michael's Community Project

Applied for: **£28,000.00** for the provision of a children's playground

Old Dean Community Group

Applied for: **£30,720** for the provision of a family link worker.

- 2.2 The Local Committee considered each application and recommended the following bids to the Panel:

Chobham Recreation Ground Charitable Trust

£78,200 for refurbishment of the football club pavilion

St Michael's Community Project

£28,000 for the provision of a children's playground

Old Dean Community Group

£30,720 for the provision of a family link worker.

3 AWARDS

- 3.1 The Small Disadvantaged Areas Fund (SDAF) Panel met in December 2010 with the following results:

Chobham Recreation Ground Charitable Trust:

The Panel agreed to match-fund **UP TO** half of the bid for the costs of the refurbishment works to the pavilion. The Trust will need to demonstrate that their match-funding is in place before it can draw down the SDAF funding, and set a date by which their fund-raising will be complete. The SDAF match-funding, up to the level indicated, will then be made available.

St Michael's Community Project:

The Panel awarded a contribution of £10,000.00 for the children's playground in order to encourage further fund-raising for the balance of the project.

Old Dean Community Group

The bid from the Old Dean Community Group was unsuccessful on this occasion.

4 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

- 4.1 The applicants have been informed of the Panel's decisions. Funding will be released in the next financial year and must be spent by April 2012. The Local Committee will be kept informed of progress of the successful projects.

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