



**OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE
(WAVERLEY)**

LOCAL COMMITTEE FUNDING

22 JUNE 2012

KEY ISSUE

To set out the funding available for County Councillors' allocations for 2012/13, and to give consideration to the funding requests received.

SUMMARY

Surrey County Council's Local Committees receive funding to spend on locally determined purposes that help to promote social, economic or environmental well-being. This funding is known as Member Allocations.

For the financial year 2012/13, the County Council has allocated £12,615 revenue funding to each County Councillor and £35,000 capital funding to each Local Committee.

This report firstly presents a summary of the projects that the Local Committee's member allocations funded in 2011/12. It then identifies and makes recommendations on bids received for funding that have been sponsored by at least one County councillor.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Waverley) is asked to:

- (i) Note the summary of the Local Committee's expenditure in 2011/12 detailed in paragraph 2.
- (ii) Agree that each County Councillor has an allocation of £12,615 revenue and £3,889 capital to fund projects within the local area in 2012/13.
- (iii) Agree the items presented for funding from the Local Committee's 2012/13 **revenue** and **capital** funding as set out in paragraph 3 of this report.

- (iv) Note the expenditure approved since the last Committee by the Community Partnerships Manager and the Community Partnerships Team Leader under delegated powers, as set out in paragraph 4.
- (v) Agree that the community safety budget of £3,160 delegated to the Local Committee be transferred to the Waverley Community Safety Partnership and that the Community Partnership Manager authorize its expenditure in accordance with the Local Committee's decision, as detailed within paragraph 5.

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The County Council's Constitution sets out the overall Financial Framework for managing the Local Committee's delegated budgets. The underlying principle is that Members Allocations should be spent on local projects to promote the social, environmental and economic well-being of the area, as required by the Local Government Act 2000.
- 1.2 Members of the Local Committee (Waverley) have traditionally agreed to split both the revenue and capital funding equally amongst the members of the Committee.
- 1.3 In addition the Committee agreed to delegate authority to the Community Partnerships Manager and Community Partnership Team Leader (West Surrey) to approve budget applications (and refunds) up to and including £1,000, subject to these being reported to the Committee at the following meeting. The Council's Constitution also allows for the Community Partnership Manager to approve funding for the purchase of grit bins upon a request from a County Councillor.
- 1.4 In allocating funds Members are asked to have regard to Surrey County Council's Corporate Strategy 2010-14 Making A Difference that highlights five themes which make Surrey special and which it seeks to maintain:
 - A safe place to live;
 - A high standard of education;
 - A beautiful environment;
 - A vibrant economy;
 - A healthy population.
- 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. It may not be used to benefit individuals, or to fund schools for direct delivery of the National Curriculum, or to support a political party.

2. ANALYSIS OF 2011/12 LOCAL COMMITTEE FUNDING

- 2.1 In 2011/12, the County Council allocated £8,410 revenue funding per County Councillor and £35,000 capital funding to the Local Committee in (Waverley).
- 2.2 The analysis of projects funded by County Councillors (attached at Annexes 1 and 2) shows that the majority of the Committee's budget went to external organisations predominately for community development. These projects were wide ranging and included supporting the establishment of the Surrey Save – Phase 1 project, local projects such as Frensham Village Shop EPOS system, and the Council's partners such as Parish Councils and Community Associations. Five county council services have benefited from member funding in this financial year with Highways Service receiving over £10,000 of funding for projects predominately for grit bins.

3. BIDS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL – REVENUE/CAPITAL FUNDING

- 3.1 The proposals for revenue and capital funding for consideration and decision at this Committee are set out below.
- 3.2 **Looked After Children Bursary Fund (All County Councillors)**
 Project Cost £40,000
 Amount Requested £4,500 (Revenue) - £500 per County Councillor
 Project Description: A fund to support recognition and celebration of the achievements of Looked After Children.
- 3.3 **Vehicle Activated Sign at Gravel Hill, Farnham (David Munro)**
 Project Cost £2,240
 Amount Requested £2,240 (Capital)
 Project Description: An Interactive Dual Message Sign and Battery Box to be purchased by Surrey Police to be located along Gravel Hill, Farnham (Annex 4)
- 3.4 **Pursued by a Bear Productions – The Red Seam (Denise Le Gal)**
 Project Cost £6,130
 Amount Requested £6,130 (£3,889 Capital & £2,241 Revenue)
 Project Description: A Sony FS100 Camera KIT AND Nanoflash HD recorder to be used as a resource by Pursued by a Bear for The Red Seam production, and used for other community film projects in Surrey. (Annex 5)
- 3.5 **Skate and BMX Workshops (Pat Frost, Denise Le Gal, Steve Cosser, Alan Young, Steve Renshaw and David Munro)**
 Project Cost £11,264
 Amount Requested £1,500 (£250 revenue each)
 Project Description: Towards the temporary events notices, consumables, flyers and towards the workshops and competitions. (Annex 6)

- 3.6 The Committee's attention is drawn to the following application, for which it is intended that further details will be available at the meeting:

Support for Rachel Morris – competitor at the London 2012 Paralympic Games (David Munro, Pat Frost, Denise Le Gal)

Project Cost	£3,900
Amount Requested	£3,000 (£1000 revenue each)
Project Description:	Towards the purchase of a new off-road bicycle for training – it is envisaged that the progress of this athlete will bring significant benefits to the local community. (Annex 7)

4. DELEGATED AUTHORITY APPROVED BIDS

- 4.1 The Community Partnerships Manager or Community Partnerships Team Leader (West Surrey) have approved the following bids under delegated authority since the last committee meeting:

4.2 Bramley Cricket Club (Alan Young)

Project Cost	£936
Amount Requested	£936 (Revenue)
Project Description:	Kit for the Bramley Cricket Club Youth Team

4.3 Edward Road Jubilee Street Party (Pat Frost)

Project Cost	£1,000
Amount Requested	£500 (Revenue)
Project Description:	Towards the entertainment, decorations, memorabilia and hire of equipment.

4.4 Surrey Arts – Takeover Project (Steve Renshaw)

Project Cost	£20,600
Amount Requested	£350 (Revenue)
Project Description:	Costumes and transport for young people from Haslemere to travel & perform at the Royal Albert Hall.

4.5 Wrecclesham Community Project (David Munro)

Project Cost	£1,000
Amount Requested	£1,000 (Revenue)
Project Description:	To support the costs of the materials and rent of the room for this one-off series of classes for over 50s and lone parents.

4.6 Farnham Toy Library Soft Play Equipment (Denise Le Gal)

Project Cost	£310
Amount Requested	£310 (Revenue)
Project Description:	To purchase soft play equipment for use during playgroup sessions.

- 4.7 Hascombe Parish Council (Loxhill Roundel) (Andrew Povey)**
 Project Cost £135
 Amount Requested £135 (Capital)
 Project Description: To purchase a roundel with Loxhill written on it and the erection of the sign.
- 4.8 SATRO Educational Charity (Denise Le Gal)**
 Project Cost £500
 Amount Requested £500 (Revenue)
 Project Description: To fund the work of SATRO in the Waverley area, more specifically events at South Farnham School.
- 4.9 Wonersh Park Association (Andrew Povey)**
 Project Cost £1,420
 Amount Requested £1,000 (Capital)
 Project Description: To repair the damaged front wall to Wonersh Park.
- 4.10 Trinity Trust Team (Steve Cosser)**
 Project Cost £3,000
 Amount Requested £640 (Revenue)
 Project Description: Minibus hire and fuel to visit Playzone (Southsea) and 3Peaks Outdoor Activities Centre (Barfields).
- 4.11 Godalming Town Council – Festive Decorations (Steve Cosser)**
 Project Cost £3,050
 Amount Requested £500 (Revenue)
 Project Description: Decorations for the Olympics torch relay.
- 4.12 Hale Carnival (Denise Le Gal)**
 Project Cost £15,000
 Amount Requested £350 (Revenue)
 Project Description: 50% contribution towards the programme costs
- From 2011/12 funding**
- 4.13 Campaign to Protect Rural England (Andrew Povey)**
 Project Cost Across the County far in excess of application
 Amount Requested £1,000 (Revenue)
 Project Description: Support for Surrey Hills AONB application as requested by Natural England for a review of the AONB/AGLV boundary.
- 4.14 Farnham Vineyard Respite Day Out (David Munro)**
 Project Cost £300
 Amount Requested £300 (Revenue)
 Project Description: To take people living in social isolation for a mini bus trip to the seaside.

- 4.15 Farnham Decorative & Fine Arts Society – Farnham Schools Art Exhibition (David Munro)**
 Project Cost £10,750
 Amount Requested £1,000 (Revenue) £500 each 2 County Councillors
 Project Description: Host schools art exhibition to promote artistic creativity.
- 4.16 Rape & Sexual Abuse Support Centre (David Munro)**
 Project Cost £15,000
 Amount Requested £1,000 (Revenue)
 Project Description: Support for people who have undergone, or are in danger of, sexual abuse.
- 4.17 Churt Parish Council - Play Equipment (David Harmer)**
 Project Cost £1,800
 Amount Requested £510 (Revenue)
 Project Description: To provide an additional play item at the village recreational ground.
- 4.18 Thursley Parish Council – Village Benches Upgrade (David Harmer)**
 Project Cost £700
 Amount Requested £350 (Revenue)
 Project Description: Refurbishment of two village benches and purchase of one additional one with Jubilee inscription.
- 4.19 Jubilee Church Youth Group – Chantry's Planting & Gardening (Pat Frost)**
 Project Cost £800
 Amount Requested £800 (Capital)
 Project Description: Purchase of permanent planters/plants for the Chantry's area including the new play area. Working with residents and young people to plant and maintain the containers.
- 4.20 Rowledge Diamond Jubilee Committee Celebrations (Pat Frost)**
 Project Cost £5,000
 Amount Requested £500 (Revenue)
 Project Description: A street party will be put on in the Rowledge Village Square providing entertainment and celebration. This funding will cover the barriers & St John's Ambulance.
- 4.21 Godalming Town Council – Festive Decorations (Peter Martin)**
 Project Cost £3,050
 Amount Requested £500 (Revenue)
 Project Description: Towards the purchase of Union Jack flags and bunting to decorate the street, key buildings, and lamp columns in and around Godalming for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.

- 4.22 Thursley Parish Council – Recreation Ground Security Gate (David Harmer)**
 Project Cost £384
 Amount Requested £192 (Revenue)
 Project Description: Purchase and installation of a security gate for the village recreation area.
- 4.23 Farnham Decorative & Fine Arts Society – Farnham Schools Art Exhibition 2012 (Pat Frost)**
 Project Cost £10,750
 Amount Requested £1,000 (Revenue) £919 - Pat Frost / £81 – Steve Renshaw
 Project Description: Funding towards an art exhibition for about 20 local schools with 700 exhibits from four year groups.
- 4.24 Cranleigh Youth Cafe (Andrew Povey)**
 Project Cost £1,500
 Amount Requested £1,000 (Revenue)
 Project Description: Support to the Leader Training course
- 4.25 Rowledge Village Hall (Pat Frost)**
 Project Cost £925
 Amount Requested £925 (Capital)
 Project Description: Provision of new chairs.
- 4.26 Opportunities Project –Floristry Courses (Denise Le Gal)**
 Project Cost £500
 Amount Requested £500 (Revenue)
 Project Description: To support the facilitation of the floristry courses for students of the Opportunities Project
- 4.27 Farnham Competitive Music Festival (Denise Le Gal)**
 Project Cost £6,000
 Amount Requested £500 (Revenue)
 Project Description: Basic administration costs of the Festival.
- 4.28 Bramley Parish Council (Andrew Povey)**
 Project Cost £7,000
 Amount Requested £1,000 (Revenue)
 Project Description: Works to the lay-by at Holy Trinity Church.
- 4.29 Chiddingfold Cricket Club Pavilion (Andrew Povey)**
 Project Cost £96,000
 Amount Requested £1,000 (Revenue)
 Project Description: To pay towards updating the Pavilion.
- 4.30 The Chantrys and Byworth Community Association (Pat Frost)**
 Project Cost £363.93
 Amount Requested £364 (Capital)
 Project Description: Provision of a cooker and kettle.

4.31 Looked After Children Bursary Fund

Project Cost £40,000

Amount Requested £705 (David Harmer), £634 (Peter Martin), £454 (Andrew Povey) and £964 (Steve Renshaw)

Project Description: A fund to support recognition and celebration of the achievements of Looked After Children.

5. COMMUNITY SAFETY FUNDING

5.1 The County Council has in the past made available to Local Committees the sum of £14,500 per borough/district for use in conjunction with the Community Safety Partnerships, of which £12,000 was ring-fenced for outreach with those affected by domestic abuse and the Local Committee was asked to allocate the remainder of the funding for community safety work. As part of the centralised approach to these services, the domestic abuse outreach is being funded centrally for allocation by the Community Safety Unit. This year, the Local Committee has a delegated budget of £3,160 for general community safety purposes which it has, in the past, allocated to the Waverley Community Safety Partnership as its contribution towards the projects and activities referred to in the relevant report (see Item 13).

5.2 The Committee is asked to confirm that it wishes to transfer its budget of £3,160 to the Waverley Community Safety Partnership and to delegate authority to the Community Partnership Manager to oversee the expenditure of this budget.

6. OPTIONS

6.1 The Local Committee may choose to approve all, part or none of the funding proposals under discussion in this report.

7. CONSULTATIONS

7.1 In relation to new bids, consultation, where appropriate, may have been undertaken by the organisation receiving the funding, the local Member of the Community Partnerships Team as required.

7.2 The appropriate Surrey County Council services and partner agencies are consulted when bids are submitted, as required.

8. FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

8.1 Each project detailed in this report has completed a standard application form giving details of timescales, purpose and other funding applications made. The County Councillor proposing each project has assessed its merits prior to the project's inclusion as a proposal for decision by the Committee. All bids are also scrutinised to ensure that they comply with the Council's Financial Framework and represent value for money.

8.2 There are sufficient monies to fund all of the proposals contained within this report. If the above recommendations are approved the remaining are set out in the Chart in the Local Committee's financial position statement attached at Annex 3.

8.3 Please note these figures will not include any applications submitted for approval after the deadline for this report or that are currently pending approval under delegated authority. They also do not include any funding that is in the process of being returned to the Local Committee.

9. EQUALITIES AND COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The allocation of the Committee's budgets is intended to enhance the wellbeing of residents and make the best possible use of the funds. Funding is available to all residents, community groups or organisations based in, or serving, the area. The success of the bid depends entirely upon its ability to meet the agreed criteria, which is flexible.

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

10. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 The spending proposals put forward for this meeting have been assessed against the County standards for appropriateness and value for money within the agreed Financial Framework and the local agreed criteria, which is available from the Community Partnerships Team.

10.2 The Local Committee is asked to consider the items submitted for funding from the 2012/13 Local Committee delegated budgets as detailed in the report.

11. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

11.1 The Committee is being asked to decide on these bids so that the Community Partnerships Team can process the bids in line with the wishes of the Committee.

12. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

12.1 If approved by the Local Committee, organisations will be approached to sign funding agreements for their projects based on the bids submitted.

12.2 Any changes to an approved bid will be discussed with the local Members and the Chairman, and if the changes are considered to be significant, an amended bid will be brought back to the Committee for approval. In all other circumstances, the Community Partnerships Team will process the payments as soon as possible once the signed agreement has been

received.

12.3 Within 6 months of receipt, all successful applicants will be contacted for details of how the funding was spend and will be asked to supply evidence.

12.4 A breakdown of the expenditure for the year will be brought to the first meeting of the next municipal year.

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Background Papers:

- SCC Constitution: Financial Framework
- Local Committee Protocol
- Criteria and Guidance for Members Allocations
- Local Committee Funding Bids