



Allocating Local Committee Funding: Members' Allocations

**Local Committee for Woking
18 July 2005**

KEY ISSUE:

For 2005/06 the Local Committee has been allocated a total of £80,500 revenue funding, which equates to £11,500 per member for the Woking area, and a capital grant funding of £35,000.

SUMMARY:

This report lists bids received for Members' Allocations which have been sponsored by at least one Member.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee is asked to:

Agree the recommended allocations with, where appropriate, the recommended conditions.

Member allocations 2005/06

1. The Surrey County Council Local Committee for Woking has £80,500 in 2005/06 to spend on projects which will benefit the people of Woking. This amounts to £11,500 per member of the committee.
2. An additional amount of £35,000 capital funding has also been allocated to each Surrey County Council Local Committee.
3. The Local Committee has allocated £5000 of this year's money to the Lakeview Action Group.
4. Some of these allocations are conditional; for example, on the recipients raising matching funding from other sources, or on their providing detailed budgets. It is possible or even likely that some of this will be returned for the Committee to allocate to other purposes.

Criteria for allocations

5. On 19 March 2003, Members set criteria to assess bids, and in January 2004, Members agreed to carry this forward into the new financial year, with a minor amendment agreed on 26 April 2004. The criteria, with this amendment, are in annex 1.

Bids received

6. The table below shows all bids received which have been sponsored by a member. They are therefore all eligible for decision by the Local Committee.

Project summary	Member sponsor	Amount £	see para.
Capital			
Woking Galleries	Val Tinney	25000	7
Total capital		£25,000	
Training room in Fire Station	Val Tinney	3860	8
Club Zone & Ozone	Geoff Marlow	4630	9
Friends of West Byfleet Library	Geoff Marlow	1000	10
Self reliance in Lakeview	Diana Smith	5000	11
Stroke & acquired brain injury	Elizabeth Compton	1000	12
Age Concern	Elizabeth Compton	2000	13

Wavs Centenary celebrations	Val Tinney	1000	14
Open door counselling service	Val Tinney	200	15
ELMA	Shamas Tabrez	1500	16
Trailer for Air Cadets	Geoff Marlow	2650	17
West Byfleet Womens institution	Geoff Marlow	1000	18
Trailer for Sea Cadets	Andrew Crisp	1000	19
Total revenue		£24,840	
Grand total		£49,840	
Total available at this meeting		£115,500	
Balance for future use		£65,660	

7. **Woking Galleries:** Have requested £25,000 from the Capital budget to pay for equipping an education room at the new Woking Galleries. This will provide a new resource room that local schools and Woking College can use, as well as local community groups.
8. **Surrey Fire & Rescue Service – Youth & Community Room Woking:** Funding is needed to create a proper training room within Woking Fire Station which would be used to train health visitors, carers etc who visit the homes of vulnerable people to be able to carry out a rudimentary fire safety assessment. The amount of £3860 will be used to buy equipment for the training room including a computer, TV and video and chairs.
9. **Club Zone & Ozone:** Have requested £4630 to buy new equipment for the youth club and nightclub. This includes a pool table, basketball equipment, giant indoor games, play station equipment and lighting for the nightclub.
10. **Friends of West Byfleet Library:** Have requested funding to purchase a coffee machine for West Byfleet Library.
11. **Lakeview Action Group:** Lakeview is one of the areas in Woking which is agreed by all to be relatively deprived, although too small to show up on ward-level statistics. The local community has formed the Lakeview Action Group and asked for funding for a community development worker in October 2003. The Local Director recommended that the Local Committee approved an allocation of £5,000 a year for 3 years, this years allocation would be the final payment.
12. **Stroke & acquired brain injury:** Funding is required to develop and produce a help file with a range of appropriate and relevant information for people who have suffered from brain injury or a stroke. The resource

pack would contain a range of fact sheets on all aspects of health and social care, including medical protocols and pathways, benefits and services available.

13. **Age Concern:** Funding is required to establish an Age Concern in the Borough of Woking and to set up befriending, information and advice services. They would like a total of £5250 for start up costs but the Chairman of the Local Committee recommends a one off payment of £2000 to cover the rent for the 1st year.
14. **Woking Association of Voluntary Services:** Funding is needed to organise an event to celebrate WAVS centenary and to finance the cost of promotional materials and publicity for the year of the Volunteer.
15. **Open Door Counselling service development:** Is a community counselling service, operating on a small scale in Woking. The service is currently dependent on donations and would like a contribution of £200 to provide financial security against fluctuations in the level of voluntary donations from clients.
16. **Asian Home/ School Liaison Crèche Worker Project:** This service is run by Surrey County Council Ethnic Minority Language Achievement (ELMA) section in the Children's Service. They have asked for £1500 to pay for crèche workers who will be hired to look after the children of Asian mums attending adult education classes.
17. **Trailer for Squadron Air cadets:** Have requested a one off payment of £2650 to purchase a twin axle trailer with barn doors.
18. **West Byfleet Womens Institute:** Have requested £1000 to pay for costs of an 80th birthday celebration.
19. **Woking & District Sea Cadets** – Funding is required to purchase a specialist trailer which will allow transport of a specialist boat which is used to teach young people with a low self esteem, learning disability or physical disability.

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Annex 1 – Criteria for allocation

To be considered, projects must

- a. support the priorities of the Surrey Corporate Plan and Woking Community Strategy.
- b. be possible to implement within the time and budget, and offer value for money.

In choosing what to fund, the Local Committee aims for a portfolio which overall:

1. includes at least one comparatively large project of benefit to Woking;
2. benefits a variety of communities of interest (for example, young people, old people, ethnic minorities, disabled people), and different areas of Woking;
3. includes a mix of large and small projects, but not a lot of very small ones.

A large project that benefits a lot of people will take priority over a project that benefits only a few people.

Within this framework, projects are more likely to be funded if:

1. The funding is needed “one-off”.
2. The project will demonstrate its impact within 12 months.
3. The project will give long-term benefit.
4. The project is preventive in purpose.
5. The project targets more disadvantaged areas or communities.
6. Local Committee funding will unlock much more funding from other sources.
7. If small and local, the project has a significant impact on the quality of life of the people affected.