



Allocating Local Committee Funding: Members' Allocations

**Local Committee for Woking
20 October 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. There is £57,660 revenue and £10,000 capital available to allocate.

SUMMARY:

This report lists and makes recommendations on 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 2004/05

1. The Surrey County Council Local Committee (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 £25,000 capital and £25,840 revenue of this year's money. 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

4. The criteria are set out in annex 1.

Bids received

5. 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	Capital/ Revenue	Member sponsor	£ requested	£ recommended	see para.
Byfleet Boat Club – Storage Shed and Jetty	Capital	Mr Marlow	4,800	3,800	6
Brightening children's area of library	Capital	Mr Marlow	198	198	7
Coldharbour Lunch Club	Revenue	Mrs Tinney	300	300	8
Four arm chairs for West Byfleet Library	Capital	Mr Marlow	1386.50	1386.50	9
Trailer for Sea Cadets	Capital	Mr Crisp	£595	595	10
Air Conditioning for Woking Hospice	Capital	Mrs Tinney	Up to £33,000	1,500	11
Brookwood School Centenary	Revenue	Mrs Compton	Up to £12,000	3,800	12
Multi Sport – Community Sports Coach for Woking	Revenue	Mr Tabrez	£3,000	£3,000	13
Eating Disorders Support Groups	Revenue	Mr Tabrez	£1,000	£1,000	14
The Garden Project	Revenue	Mr Tabrez	£15,000	£5,000	15

Byfleet Village Football Club	Capital	Mr Marlow	£2,000	£2,000	16
TOTAL					
Capital				£9479.50	
Revenue				£13,100.00	
Total available to this meeting:					
Capital				£10,000.00	
Revenue				£57,660.00	
Balance for future use					
Capital				£520.50	
Revenue				£44,560.00	

6. **Byfleet Boat Club:** Have requested £3,800 for construction of a hire boat store to prevent deterioration of boats during winter storage and £1,000 to re-build landing stage to provide safer access to water for users. These two items have been identified as part of a larger project totalling £60,000, for which they are applying elsewhere for funding.
7. **Brightening Children's Area of Byfleet Library:** Have requested £198 to replace old shelving with colourful free standing shelves for pre-school children. The Friends of Byfleet Library will be paying the VAT and delivery charge.
8. **Coldharbour Lunch Club:** The funding is broken down into £120 for insurance and nine sessions at £20 each. The Local Committee has funded the lunch club before.
9. **Arm Chairs for West Byfleet Library:** To provide more comfortable seats for users, particularly young mothers and senior users. £1,000 was allocated to the Friends of West Byfleet Library in July 2005 for a coffee machine.
10. **Trailer for Sea Cadets:** This item was deferred from the last meeting. 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.
11. **Air Conditioning for Woking Hospice:** Have requested funding towards installation of air conditioning in the day care room, which will cost £5,000 and individual units for bedrooms at a cost of £3,000 per unit (which will cover two bedrooms). They currently have £4,000 towards the unit for the Day Room.
12. **Brookwood Primary School Centenary:** The school are holding a series of Centenary events throughout the academic year and have asked for a contribution towards a range of activities. It is proposed that the Committee fund commemorative gifts for pupils, parties and reunion for current and past pupils and the local community, a Centenary Week in school, a Centenary Production, money for developing the school grounds to provide a lasting legacy for future pupils and money to replace the broken public address system totalling £3,800.

13. **Community Sports Coach for Woking:** Have requested funding for three years contribution towards a coach who will deliver sessions to people aged 5-16 years targeting work around the inclusion of girls, ethnic minorities and those on low income in Maybury and Sheerwater, Kingfield and Westfield and Goldsworth East. The rest of the funding is coming from Woking Borough Council, Sport England and the Maybury and Sheerwater Partnership.
14. **Eating Disorders Support Groups:** Funding towards the setting up of two self help support groups, one for those with an eating disorder, and the other for carers of people with an eating disorder. It will cover Woking and the surrounding towns.
15. **The Garden Project.** Have requested funding to cover running costs for 12 months. A lesser amount would enable the service to continue running whilst seeking other funding. They have also applied elsewhere for funding. The Local Committee allocated £15,000 for running costs in June 2003.
16. **Byfleet Football Club:** Have requested funding to buy extra equipment for the club which has 220 members from 5-18 years.

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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.