## Woking Local Committee Report 27/6/12

## Summary of eligible bids received

Bid no	Organisation Bidding	Title of Bid	Amount requested
1	Woking District Scouts - Handicapped Section	Handicamp 2012	£2,000.00
2	Trinity Methodist Church	Camping Residential	£3,161.00
3	Woking United Reformed Church	Woking United Reformed Church, Part-time Youth Worker	£5,000.00
4	Skillway, which is the trading name of one arm of the Warehouse Christian Trust.	Skillway	£1,666.66
		Total	£11,827.66
		Total budget available	£17,000.00
		Balance	£5,172.34

## <u>Bid 1</u>

Project details	
Project name	Handicamp 2012
Specific neighbourhood or area	Borough of Woking - camp held in Farnham
	our project be working with? (include participating in the project beside all ages and ter 0 for none)
Age 10-12 Males	0
Age 10-12 Females	0
Age 13-17 Males	41
Age 13-17 Females	23
Age 18-19 Males	11
Age 18-19 Females	7
Bidder details	
Name of voluntary	Woking Scouts

organisation responsible for carrying out the project (please note, the grant fund is not open to private organisations)	
Is the organisation a voluntary organisation?	Yes
What are you seeking funding	a for?
Description of the project. What difference will this make?	Woking Scouts Handicamp, has been running for 26 years and is an annual weekend camp run by leaders for the children with special needs from local special needs schools. The children are buddied with scouts who look after them for the whole weekend, with the help of the school staff and scout leaders / adults. The camp will have approx 30 special needs children and about 35 to 40 scouts aged 14 to 18 and approx 80 adults. The young people will take part in activities such as climbing & abseiling; rifle shooting & archery; backwoods cooking; canoeing and swimming, all activities which the pupils would not normally have the opportunity to enjoy i a safe environment, with the one to one supervision. From past camps, the schools have found a tremendous gain in the children's confidence, for who some this is the first time away from home. The scouts and leaders also gain from the experience, and appreciate the problems of the special needs children. The continuation of the camp, has been mainly due to the request of the schools.
When will the project:	4.4/00/004.0
Start:	14/09/2012
Be completed:	16/09/2012
Financial Questions	
When will you need the funds?	July 2012
What is the total cost of the project?	£9000.00
How much of the total cost would you like from the Local Committee? Please include estimate/breakdown of this part.	£2000 towrads the cost of the Climb / Absiel Tower, which is constructed specially by HARSCO ltd at a reduced cost of £3500
Where is the rest coming from?	Surrey Army Cadet Force, Woking Scouts, Camp Fees, Children with Special Needs

	Foundation, The Kelsy Trust.
Is it promised already, or still to be found?	Promised
Have you applied for this funding from any other part of Surrey County Council? Please give details:	No
Are you currently in receipt of any grant or contract funding from Surrey County Council? Please give details:	No
Has the organisation responsible for the project received any Local Committee funding for this or any other purpose in the past? Please give details:	No
If this project will need funding in future, how will the costs be met? (Costs may be included e.g. maintenance, replenishment, breakdown, repair, support)	Future camps will continue to be run through sponsorship and donations, as in the past.

# <u>Bid 2</u>

Project de	tails		Help Notes
Q1 <b>Project title:</b> Camping Residential			Full title of specific project
Q2 Specif	ic neighbou	ırhood or area: Woking	
Q3 How m	any young	people will your project be worki	ng with?
Ages 10-12 13-17	Males 25	Females 20	Include numbers of those who will
18-19	8		be participating in the project.
Bidder de	tails		
	of the orga hodist Chur	nisation carrying out the project: ch	Name of the organisation responsible for carrying out the project and if

it is a voluntary organisation.

#### What are you seeking funding for ?

### Q6 Description of the project. What difference will this make?

What will be done?

The Church youth organization would like to perchance camping equipment to enable youth leaders to take young people away on camping 3 residential a year.

The Church youth organization believe in equal opportunities so therefore keeping the whole experience affordable for everyone to ensure that the project becomes inclusive to all.

So therefore The Church youth organization would like to perchance three – four 8 man canvas tents, a large mess tent for eating and cooking, stoves, pans, utensils, cutlery, plastic plates and bowls etc. Igloo cool box, solo powered lights, and spare sleeping bags and beds for those that can't afford or have no opportunity in borrowing one.

The Church youth organization have taken advise on tents and feel the canvas tents are more substation warmer, and can each hold up to eight young people which fits our needs and criteria.

#### The project;

Is to enable The Church youth organization to take young people with challenging behavior, lack of self esteem, confidence, lack of social skills, and lack/little life skills away for the weekends.

The Church youth organization believe in the environment and feel we should be encouraging young people to understand and enjoy their environment in which they live.

The Church youth organization would like to take groups of young people to "The Sustainability Centre" where young people can learn about the Straw bale solar powered showers, Solar water heating, Solar electricity, what is a Compost toilet, Forest gardening, and Forestry skills. They can even learn and respect the natural burial grounds.

We believe that having this equipment will enable young people work together as they will need to prepare for the whole experience by assisting with the planning and organization such as food preparation, setting up their camp site, participation as in working together, and packing away at the end of the weekend and evaluation.

The whole experience is to:

To build positive relationships between young people and workers.

To teach life skills to young people such as cooking on a budget, organization, communication, listening skills, respect for each other and to work as a team and as individuals.

In our experience young people respond well once outside of their comfort zones. They become more responsible for their actions and each other. It strengthens their life skills and builds positive relationships between their peers and the youth leaders.

To be able sustain the project we as an organization feel it would benefit many young people if we owned our own equipment, because it would enable us to continue providing these residential trips away throughout the coming year though fund raising and funding for other future sources and partnerships.

The Church youth organization are now in a fortunate position and now own a mini bus donated by members of the church to reduce costs of hiring transportation.

All these elements will enable us to support the camping projects, over many years to come.

The mess tent can also be used for other activities

Q7 When will the project be:  a) started: summer 2012 b) completed: on going	The dates you expect your project to begin and finish.
Financial Questions	
Q8 When will you need the funds? May 2012	The date when you will require the funds.
Q9 What is the total cost of the project? £4,691.00	The total cost of the project.
Q10 How much of the total cost would you like from the Local Committee? Please include estimate/breakdown of this part. £3,161.00	If you have a quote, please attach it to the form.

Q11 Where is the rest coming from?  From our own youth fund and some still to be found  Is it promised already, or still to be found? £1,530	Names and amounts from other funders
Q12 Have you applied for this funding from any other part of Surrey County Council? Please give details:  Local Community funding for a sound portable system  December 2011	Please give names of the department, and dates applied.
Q13 Are you currently in receipt of any grant or contract funding from Surrey County Council? Please give details:  No	Please include even if not for this particular project.
Q14 Has the organisation responsible for the project received any Local Committee funding for this or any other purpose in the past? Please give details: Local Community funding for a sound portable system December 2011	Include project purpose, dates and amounts.
Q15 If this project will need funding in future, how will the costs be met? (Costs may be included e.g. maintenance, replenishment, breakdown, repair, support)  Future fund raising done by the young people.	Information on how you intend to fund and/or maintain your project in the future.

# <u>Bid 3</u>

Project det	tails			Help Notes
Q1 <b>Project title:</b> Woking United Reformed Church, Part-time Youth Worker			Full title of specific project	
working wit Sheerwater South Wok	h young pe r and Lakev ing namely	ople from Suri iew. We also	a: Woking Town based but rey's priority places in Maybury, cover pockets of deprivation in estfield and Old Woking where stre.	
Q3 How m	any young	people will y	our project be working with?	Include
Ages	Males	Females		numbers of
10-12	51	41		those who will be
13-17	29	27		participating
18-19	1	0		in the project.

These are current figures, but we would expect them to rise with the addition of a student youth worker.

#### **Bidder details**

Q4 Name of the organisation carrying out the project: Woking United Reformed Church which is a registered Charity.

Name of the organisation responsible for carrying out the project and if it is a voluntary organisation.

#### What are you seeking funding for ?

Q6 Description of the project. What difference will this make? We would like to be able to take on a part-time helper to assist our Youth and Family Worker with the work he is doing in the wider Woking community. This post would be ideal for a gap-year student and would be on a 1 year contract.

What will be done?

#### **Current Situation**

Following major structural changes to its premises in White Rose Lane, Woking United Reformed Church has strengthened and expanded its work amongst children and young people. We have a full time Youth and Family Worker who, alongside numerous volunteers, ensures that a full schedule of regular and holiday youth activities can be run from the church. One of the main reasons for carrying out such a major building project was to provide community facilities for various groups in Woking. As part of that we aim to provide activities for youngsters in the wider community, not just young people from within our own church family. At the February half-term this year, for example, we converted the church into a temporary skating rink for the week and over 1,000 people came through the doors to skate and watch.

#### Our current activities include:

- Boys and Girls Brigades
- Parent and Toddler group, including many ethnic minority families, often with 30 families attending
- After-school Drop-in: numerous young people drop into the church on their way home for fun and friendship in a safe space
- Youth Group
- Friday evening Youth Club: 30 attending each week with numbers having doubled in the last year

- Holiday fun clubs, summer camps and various holiday and sporting activities. These cover all age groups, but several are aimed specifically at the 13+ age group, for example movie nights and football afternoons
- Mentoring young people who just drop in on the way past the church

We have 54 volunteers at the church who are involved with children and young people, of those 17 take on 2 or more roles and many spend a significant amount of time at the church. However, due to family and other commitments it is difficult for the majority of them to cover the Drop-in sessions and Youth Club which are specifically tailored to the older age groups.

#### **Need for More**

Although our premises are not located in an area of specific concern in County Council reports on needs of young people in Woking, the location of Woking URC is very significant. It is on a main through route for a large number of children and conveniently placed for the town centre. The young people who are supported by its network come from right across Woking as mentioned earlier. It is also the administrative base for the Woking Street Angels project. We are finding that a number of young people are now just wanting to drop in for some support from a friendly face on their way past.

Whilst the redevelopment of our premises was going on, the after school Drop-in was based in the Old Woking Community Centre. A number of the youngsters with whom we built up a relationship there are still in regular contact with our Youth and Family Worker and come along to our current activities.

Our Youth Worker is mentoring a small number of young people who have come in through one or other of the various programmes we are running, trying to build their self esteem, but has only a very limited time to give to this due to his other commitments.

65 children attended our Easter Holiday Fun Club this year, of which the largest group was the 10-12 year olds. Unfortunately, we had to turn away children due to lack of volunteers. These children are primarily not from within the church community, but include young people from all over Woking.

Over the past year, the young people attending the youth club and drop in activities we run (aged 10+) have included 8 children from Maybury/Sheerwater, 18 from Kingfield/Westfield, 15 from Old Woking, 7 from Goldsworth Park and 3 from Barnsbury – all areas which are highlighted as potential problem areas in Surrey County

Council reports.

#### What we would like to do

Our ability to help more children is now limited by the amount of time available by our youth worker and our very supportive volunteers. Our ability to help these young people would be significantly improved by the addition of a new part-time person into the team. Our professional Youth and Family Worker is spending some of his time on tasks which could be performed by a less skilled individual and has also found himself unable to offer help at times to young people due to safeguarding issues. On several occasions, he has sat on the bench outside our building talking with young people as he cannot be in the building alone with them. Another adult would alleviate these issues and enable us to run our youth clubs and drop-ins more effectively and free up our Youth and Family Worker so that he can spend time mentoring young people where there is need.

Woking URC's youth work has benefited twice in the past from having student workers: one on secondment for two years, during formal training, and one under an informal gap year arrangement.

The Church would again like to take on a part-time youth worker. Ideally, this would be a gap year student which would have a two-fold advantage. The experience gained by the student working with young people, would be of great value whatever studies or work he/she undertook in the future. The value to the community would be to enable the youth work to be strengthened and expanded. Working alongside the salaried Youth and Family Worker, Minister and volunteers, the assistance which this person could give would be considerable, without the cost being prohibitive.

We are looking to the Council to be able to provide funding to enable us to recruit such a person on a 1 year contract.

Q7 When will the project be: b) started: September 2012 b	) completed: August 2013	The dates you expect your project to begin and finish.
Q8 When will you need the funds?	September 2012	The date when you will require the funds.

Q9 What is the total cost of the project? £5,000, being a small allowance paid to the individual, a weekly allowance to the family housing / feeding him/her and other expenses such as training and travel.	The total cost of the project.
Q10 How much of the total cost would you like from the Local Committee? Please include estimate/breakdown of this part.  The whole sum is requested from the Local Committee as the church will be providing accommodation and other amenities for the recruit. The church is already paying for a full time Youth and Family Worker and providing a significant number of volunteers for youth work.	If you have a quote, please attach it to the form.
Q11 Where is the rest coming from? N/a Is it promised already, or still to be found? N/a	Names and amounts from other funders
Q12 Have you applied for this funding from any other part of Surrey County Council? Please give details:  No	Please give names of the department, and dates applied.
Q13 Are you currently in receipt of any grant or contract funding from Surrey County Council? Please give details:  No	Please include even if not for this particular project.
Q14 Has the organisation responsible for the project received any Local Committee funding for this or any other purpose in the past? Please give details: A £3,000 members allocation grant was received in 2011 to purchase furniture and equipment for the youth room.	Include project purpose, dates and amounts.
Q15 If this project will need funding in future, how will the costs be met? (Costs may be included e.g. maintenance, replenishment, breakdown, repair, support)  This would be for a 1 year contract so would not have ongoing funding requirements. Members of the church congregation are still fulfilling their pledges to the building project. It is expected that once these pledges are fulfilled, funding another youth worker, on similar terms, from within the church finances will be attainable.	Information on how you intend to fund and/or maintain your project in the future.

## <u>Bid 4</u>

Project details Help Notes

Q1 Project title: Skillway	Full title of
	specific
	project

# Q2 **Specific neighbourhood or area:** Waverley, Guildford and Woking Boroughs

#### Q3 How many young people will your project be working with?

Ages	Males	Females	Include
10-12			numbers of
13-17	34	$\Delta$	those who will
	<b>5</b> 4	7	be
18-19			participating
			in the project.

#### **Bidder details**

Q4 Name of the organisation carrying out the project: Skillway, which is the trading name of one arm of the Warehouse Christian Trust. The Warehouse Christian Trust is a Registered Charity, Number 277631

Name of the organisation responsible for carrying out the project and if it is a voluntary organisation.

#### What are you seeking funding for ?

Q6 Description of the project. What difference will this make?

What will be done?

Skillway was founded to fill the gap where mainstream education was unable to provide for the complex needs of every young person being educated in a strict academic environment and where they were either disadvantaged by the system, or had significant learning difficulties. Our team of dedicated and highly experienced skilled craftsmen and women inspire young people aged 14 to 16 to discover their true capabilities and to apply these in a disciplined but exciting workshop environment. Students, who often join us feeling very disillusioned with their educational experiences, are encouraged to engage with our stimulating training environment.

Most of our students are from schools in South West Surrey. They enjoy a one year foundation course in various manual skills under the tutelage of our skilled craftsmen and if selected can progress to our second year Master Class. It is our aim to find 'work experience' in local businesses for motivated applicants and/or employment and apprenticeship schemes.

Our training provides students with an introduction to develop key manual skills and to encourage them to develop these skills further both at Skillway and through opportunities with further training and apprenticeships. Our ethos of providing a foundation in skills not available through mainstream education provides the additional benefits of building self-esteem, encouraging character development and providing an environment involving team-building and an understanding of routine and work ethic. It is particularly beneficial to those with learning difficulties and those who are so disillusioned they are classing themselves as "failures".

Our tutors regularly report a significant change in attitude in students and pride themselves on the achievements attained by many of the young people that complete their courses.

(We welcome visits so that interested parties can see for themselves what we do – nothing tells the story better than this.)

Q7 When will the project be:  a) started: already b) completed: ongoing	The dates you expect your project to begin and finish.
Financial Questions	
Q8 When will you need the funds? June or July 2012	The date when you will require the funds.
Q9 What is the total cost of the project? £97,000 per annum	The total cost of the project.
Q10 How much of the total cost would you like from the Local Committee? Please include estimate/breakdown of this part.  £5,000 Our costs have been cut to the bone and most staff are volunteers so it costs £2,500 per pupil per year to attend Skillway of which we can recover only £900. A grant of £5,000 will therefore allow 3 pupils to attend for a whole year, or 9 for a term each.	If you have a quote, please attach it to the form.
Q11 Where is the rest coming from? Grants and Voluntary donations from philanthropic and altruistic persons and organisations  Is it promised already, or still to be found? Some already received or promised (£5,800 from Community Foundation for Surrey, £10,000 from Wates, £10,000 from individual donations) £33,000 from school contributions)	Names and amounts from other funders

Q12 Have you applied for this funding from any other part of Surrey County Council? Please give details:  No	Please give names of the department, and dates applied.
Q13 Are you currently in receipt of any grant or contract funding from Surrey County Council? Please give details:  No	Please include even if not for this particular project.
Q14 Has the organisation responsible for the project received any Local Committee funding for this or any other purpose in the past? Please give details: No	Include project purpose, dates and amounts.
Q15 If this project will need funding in future, how will the costs be met? (Costs may be included e.g. maintenance, replenishment, breakdown, repair, support)  As for the past ten years, we will continue to seek Grants, Voluntary donations, and proceeds from fund-raising events.	Information on how you intend to fund and/or maintain your project in the future.