

ANNEX A: LOCAL COMMITTEE (REIGATE AND BANSTEAD) CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS 2009/10 – 2012/13

2009-10 (£35,000 capital budget)

Strawson Hall, Horley – Refurbishment - £20,000

Funding was sought to contribute towards the cost of refurbishing and re-cladding of Strawson Hall, a wooden building owned by Surrey County Council and leased to Strawson Hall Management Committee. The hall is used by a number of Horley-based community groups, including Horley Community Preschool, which has submitted a separate bid to Early Years for accessible toilets and an extension to the building for their sole use. The proposed refurbishments funded by the Local Committee included replacement of external doors and frames, replacement of internal walls and insulation and replacement of roofing material. The hall aims to provide accommodation to small community groups at affordable rents, and is used by groups including Horley Allsorts Social Group for elderly people, and Horley History Society. It is also used for police liaison meetings and rentals for fundraising events.

Reigate Methodist Church – Community Centre Project - £15,000

Funding was sought to contribute towards the cost of building Phase I of the new community centre at Reigate Methodist Church. The aim of the project was to provide a community building that is accessible and well served by public transport and roads, which is attractive and modern and fully meets the needs of the local community. Phase I of the development included an atrium style entrance serving as an open, light and spacious informal meeting area; five additional meeting room of various sizes; an office for a centre manager/youth leader; kitchen facilities; storage for user groups. It would also be available as a meeting or seminar facility to promote local networking and business. Consultation took place with user groups and other interested parties, and a user-led programme of potential activities was developed in conjunction with a range of voluntary, community and statutory organisations.

2010-11 (£30,000 capital budget)

Merstham Cricket Club – Additional Changing Rooms and Refurbishment of Existing Clubhouse to provide Disabled Toilets - £10,000

Merstham Cricket Club undertook a project to add three new changing rooms to its existing clubhouse. The existing clubhouse was refurbished to include disabled toilets and officials' changing area. The club had expanded its junior section over the previous six years, to over 200 junior members including girls and disabled people ranging from under eight to under 17. The existing changing and toilet arrangements did not allow for a safe environment with the male toilets and showers being co-located. New guidelines stated that under 18s should not change in the same area as adults, and with several under 18s playing in the club's senior sides, the existing provision did not allow for this guideline to be met. The existing clubhouse had no provision for disabled toilets. The club sought £10,000 from the Local Committee to cover the cost of the toilets, including facilities for the disabled in the existing clubhouse building, plus the cost of rewiring.

Age Concern Merstham, Redhill and Reigate - The Merstham Centre Improvement Project (£9,800.22)

Funding was sought to fund the Merstham Centre's improvement project. This consisted of three parts: building a partition in the hall to provide a separate room for those learning IT, allowing greater privacy and confidentiality to those requiring information and advice; building a porch over the front entrance to allow members using the minibus to be kept dry in inclement weather and affixing handrails to assist those with mobility problems, and placing

a strong secure storage shed for the equipment used by volunteer gardeners and centre gardener, relieving space in the centre storage area.

St Luke’s Church, South Park – Community Project (£5,000)

Funding was sought towards the capital works forming part of the church’s community project. This consisted of external lighting on the path to the main entrance, a ramp to the main entrance to provide level access, accessible toilet facilities and a baby-changing unit. The total cost of the capital works is £9,220, with the remainder coming from church funds and internal fundraising.

2nd Reigate Scouts – “Raise the Roof” (£2,000)

Funding was sought to contribute to the cost of repairing the roof of the Earlswood Scout Hut to enable the continued successful running of the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorer Groups there. The Earlswood Scout Hut offers a place for local groups to meet and is very popular. All the groups using the hut have waiting lists. The Scout Movement engages young people and their parents in the local community and helps to teach them about the importance of their local environment and the people in it.

Sovereign Centre, Woodhatch – Redecoration and Lighting (£2,000)

Funding was sought to contribute towards the redecoration and lighting within the Sovereign Centre to create a bright, modern and welcoming environment for the local community to enjoy. The centre provides local young people with somewhere to go and something to do with their time, reducing the likelihood of anti-social or risk-taking behaviour by young people in the local community. The aim was to make the centre a modern and fully accessible building for use by youth clubs, training and volunteering for young people not earning, learning or working, sports sessions, activity sessions, after school and holiday programmes, and to host sporting and celebratory events. The total cost of the project was £1,020,491, with the remainder being met by grants from the Surrey County Council Aiming Higher for Disabled Children programme and from other local organisations.

Banstead District Guides Headquarters (£1,000)

Funding was sought to contribute to a new headquarters for Banstead District Guides. The existing building was to be demolished and a new building erected in its place with a new position. The existing building, whilst still serviceable, was in a state of collapse, as the building had shifted due to having exceeded its expected life by some 20 years. The building is the headquarters for the whole of Banstead District Guiding and is also the home of the Little Haven Nursery. The new building will benefit all the current users, namely Girlguiding Banstead District, with 6 units operating here, and Little Haven Nursery being the other main user. The hall is also used by local members supporting guiding and will act as another venue for activities focussing on youth within the area. The total cost of the project was approximately £160,000 based on an estimate for building works and looking at likely costs for new fencing, garden works, removal of existing buildings and allowing a small contingency. The remainder of the funding was promised already but the organisation also had over £30,000 in the bank and continued to fundraise. (NB – this was an interim amount and further funding was granted in 2011-12 – see below).

2011-12 (£35,000 capital budget)

St Mark’s Church Centre, Reigate (£10,000)

Funding was sought to contribute to the cost of refurbishment of the ladies’, men’s and disabled lavatories, heating system in the small hall, foyer and toilet block and complete decoration. This was to address the needs of thousands of people who use the Centre for

many community activities and a variety of organisations. The total cost of the project was £52,135, with the rest of the money coming from donations and fundraising. The parish had made a pledge to cover all, or as much as possible of the cost.

Banstead District Guides Headquarters (£25,000)

Funding was sought to contribute to the cost of replacing the existing pre-fabricated structure with a new, permanent building for the Headquarters for the Banstead District Guides. The building would also serve as the home of Little Haven Nursery and also be used for other youth-related activities in the area. Planning permission for the building had already been granted. The cost of the building works for the project was estimated at £160,000 but the Guides had set a target to raise £200,000 to pay for other associated costs such as equipment, furniture and fittings. £50,000 had already been raised through various fundraising activities and a further £50,000 was expected from a land swap with a local company.

2012-13 (£35,000 capital budget)

Pathfinder Scout Group, Horley – Renovations to Scout Hall (£26,300)

An application for funding was received from Pathfinder Scout Group to renovate and refurbish the Scout Hall to enable it to be fully utilised and benefitted by the community. This project sought to replace the main roof that was leaking and contained asbestos, causing a Health and Safety issue. It also sought to replace the old kitchen and its appliances providing new cupboards and worktop and a fridge/ freezer and cooker so it could become fully functional again. This would enable the user groups to prepare drinks and meals as required. Modern and safe facilities would allow young people to be taught basic cooking skills. The toilets would be modernised, refurbishing the ceilings damaged by heavy rain water and also replacing the rotten main and side fire exit doors to improve security and safety. This work would ensure that the building was water tight and reduce the risk to health and safety by disposing of the asbestos. The possibility of introducing insulated sheet tiles would also be explored to improve the thermal efficiency of the building. The geographical area covered by the Hall is Salfords and the neighbouring villages. The main users of the hall are young people aged between 6 and 24 years of age belonging to the Salfords and NV Youth Club, Scout groups including Beavers and Cubs and Young Farmers. In addition the hall is used for training adults in scouting to provide activities to young people across the Reigate and Banstead Area. Currently the hall is used on 3 nights a week with approximately 70-80 young people attending weekly. By improving the facilities and condition of the hall, Pathfinder Scout Group would be able to allow access to a wider range of people from the community, with young people having somewhere to go it will benefit the wider community by involving the young people. The building is owned by the Scout Association and there are no plans to close the hall. Pathfinder Scout Group has consulted with Salfords and Sidlow Parish Council, Scouts Group, Youth Club and Young Farmers, as well as neighbours and occasional users of the hall. The total cost of the project was estimated to be £28,440, broken down as follows:

- £10,440 Main Roof
- £7,200 Kitchen replacement and appliances
- £8,400 Toilet refurbishment and new ceilings
- £2,400 Entrance and fire door replacement

Estimates were received from local builders to carry out the work including a full re-plaster and the renovation of rooms. Some work would be undertaken by volunteers, such as stripping out the kitchen and painting to help keep costs down. The kitchen would be

secured at cost from a local kitchen supplier. The remainder of the funding was coming from Scout Group funds. The ongoing costs would be met through fees and charges for the hall, as well as subscriptions from Scouts, the Youth Club and Young Farmers.

3rd Banstead Scouts – Increase of Meeting Room Capacity at Scout Ridge (£8,700)

An application was received to increase the meeting room capacity at Scout Ridge by applying additional sound attenuation to the Sports Hall and converting a store area to an additional meeting room. This would enable them to cope with the increasing demand for scouting in the area. This would be Phase 1 of the enlargement of Scout Ridge. Phase 1 is estimated to cost £8,000. The Group had £2,000 and planned to raise the additional £1,000.