

Area Forum West

Thursday 11 June 2015

The Area Forum West will meet at Wood End Village Hall,
Tamworth Road, Wood End, CV9 2QH at 6.30 pm.

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officer named in the report.

6.00 – 6.30 pm – Surgery Sessions

Call in if you have specific concerns that you
would like to discuss with your local Safer
Neighbourhoods Policing Team.

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome from the Chair.**
- 2. Apologies**

3. **Notes of the meetings held on 12 February 2015** – copy herewith, to be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
4. **Safer Neighbourhoods** – Warwickshire Police. To give an update on the work of the Safer Neighbourhoods team and agree priorities.
5. **Introduction to Warwickshire Rural Watch Scheme** – Carol Cotterill.
6. **Local Communities Funding** – Jaki Douglas (North Warwickshire Borough Council)
7. **“Have Your Say” – Questions and Issues**

An opportunity for issues of local concern to be raised. To ensure that an answer to a question can be given at the meeting, details of it should be submitted to Jenny Price or via email to jennyprice@northwarks.gov.uk.

- *Mr Brent, resident, wishes to raise issues about bridge at Piccadilly.*

8. **Representation on Outside Bodies**

9. **Date of the Next Meeting**

- Tuesday 22 September 2015 – Hurley Village Hall, Knowle Hill, Hurley, CV9 2JD.

**Notes of the meeting of Area Forum West
Water Orton Primary School, Water Orton
Thursday 12 February 2015**

Present: Borough Councillor M Moss in the Chair. Borough Councillors Holland and Payne. Borough and County Councillors B Moss and Lea.

In attendance: J Price and R Beggs - North Warwickshire Borough Council. N Darwen and P Hooper- Warwickshire County Council. PCSO's Beale and Owen PC Newton and Hood and Sgt Oakley - Warwickshire Police. R Ball and D Reilly – Police and Crime Commission. A Vaughton – Curdworth Parish Council. W Rees and C Chown – Water Orton Parish Council. S and S Kelley, E Manton, A Dorcan, A Poole, S Turner and D McKenzie – residents. C Ayassamy – Kingsbury Parish Council. K Oakley – Lea Marston Parish Council.

Apologies: Councillors Lewis, Phillips and Simpson. M Weatherley, P Ross and A Rimmer – Curdworth Parish Council. J Rowland – Middleton Parish Council. C Algar – NWHW. B Woollaston – Nether Whitacre Parish Council.

1 Police and Crime Commissioner for Warwickshire

Ron Ball, Police and Crime Commissioner for Warwickshire gave a presentation on his background, role and responsibilities as the Police and Crime Commissioner for Warwickshire and introduced David Reilly as the new Community Safety Ambassador for Area Forum West.

2 Safer Neighbourhoods

The following three Safer Neighbourhood priorities were agreed.

- Nuisance parking Vicarage Lane/Plank Lane, Water Orton in particular at school dropping off and home times.
- Nuisance off road motorcycles at Wood End woods and MOD land.
- Speeding Birmingham Road, Water Orton.

Although not taken on as a priority this time it was agreed that nuisance parking around Curdworth Primary School should be put forward for consideration at the next meeting.

3 Date of the Next Meeting

Thursday 11 June 2015 at Wood End Village Hall.

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Local Community Projects Fund 2014/15

Recommendation

That the Forum notes the Local Community Projects Fund awards made during 2014/15 and promotes the next award deadline of 01 October 2015 to individuals and eligible groups and organisations.

1 Introduction

1.1 The Borough Council introduced the Local Community Projects Fund in 2013/14. The Fund seeks to provide small grants to individuals and organisations that want to deliver projects that will have a positive benefit in the local community.

1.2 There is a total sum of £17,500 available for distribution, with £1,000 allocated to each Ward (with the exception of the Arley and Whitacre Ward, which has £1,500 available for disbursement). There is a presumption that awards will not exceed £500, although under exceptional circumstances higher grants may be awarded. Projects must contribute to one or more of the following Sustainable Community Strategy priorities:

- Raising Aspirations, Educational Attainment and Skill Levels
- Developing Healthier Communities
- Improving Access to Services

... 1.3 Additionally, projects should provide a lasting benefit within the local community. Full details of the scheme criteria are attached at Appendix 1.

2 Applications Received in 2014/15

... 2.1 In order to make the process as easy, effective and efficient as possible, applicants are encouraged to apply online (at www.NorthWarks.gov.uk/lcpf). Grant requests, however, are still welcome via the traditional, paper-based form.

2.2 In total, 24 applications were received, four of which were ineligible for support and two were withdrawn by the applicant. Additionally, one application is still awaiting a decision, pending the receipt of further information. Appendix 2 details the 17 successful applications, which are also publicised on the Borough Council website.

2.3 A broad range of applications were received from organisations delivering projects that improved opportunities for participation in sport (sailing, rugby,

cricket and hockey) and educational activity (including health sessions, a homework club and a community cooking group). Additionally, there were several applications from organisations wishing to make improvements to community facilities.

- 2.4 There was only one application from an individual, for a cooking club in Arley, which was supported.

3 Finances

- 3.1 Only one Ward was financially oversubscribed (Newton Regis and Warton), in the sum of £1,479. All three of the applicant organisations had their awards proportionately reduced.

- 3.2 Of the £17,500 available for disbursement through the Projects Fund, a total of £9,299 was awarded to the 16 approved projects. In accordance with Borough Council policy, the balance of £8,201 has been reserved for Community-based Projects. Should the outstanding application be approved, however, this sum will be reduced by the value of any award made.

4 Promotion

- 4.1 The Fund was promoted widely through Borough Councillors, parish and town councils, the Warwickshire Community and Voluntary Action database, the Borough Council newsletter, "North Talk", and in the local press. The Authority's Communications and Public Relations Officer is in contact with several of the successful organisations to publicise their projects and the support received from the Fund.

- 4.2 Twelve applications have been received in the first application round in 2015, nine of which are eligible for support. Most Wards still have funding available for the next application round, the deadline for which is 01 October 2015. It should be noted that, in the first instance, potential applicants are encouraged to discuss their project with the Borough Council's Partnership and Development Manager.

The Contact Officer for this report is Jaki Douglas (719492)



Local Community Projects Fund Information and Advice

The Local Community Projects Fund is available to individuals, groups and voluntary and community organisations that wish to undertake a project that will have a positive impact on the local community.

The total funding available through the scheme is £17,500. Funding is allocated to each Ward at a level equivalent to £500 per Ward Member (Borough Councillor). There will be a presumption in favour of awards not exceeding £500, although under exceptional circumstances applications for a higher sum will be considered by Ward Members.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible, the project must:

- Contribute to one or more of the Sustainable Community Strategy priorities of:
 - 1 - Raising Aspirations, Educational Attainment and Skill Levels
 - 2 - Developing Healthier Communities
 - 3 - Improving Access to Services(Particular consideration will be given to projects that also promote social inclusion and/or that can evidence a link with other strategies / plans that benefit the local community, e.g. Parish Plans)
- Provide a clear and lasting benefit to the local community within the Ward making the award (even though the project to be supported may be based outside the Ward). If an applicant organisation is undertaking a project that covers more than one Ward, it must be considered by all relevant Ward Members and may be eligible for an increased sum
- Have any relevant permissions in place (e.g. Planning Consent, land owner consent, etc.)

All Applicants must:

- complete the relevant application form in full and supply any required supporting documentation
- be prepared to have the project details listed on the Borough Council's website
- obtain two quotes for individual items over £100 in value
- upon completion of the project, provide a short report along with receipts/ invoices, and photographs where relevant, detailing how the funding was spent within 18 months of award date

Applicant Organisations/ Groups:

- *Where relevant*, organisations may have to confirm they have a written constitution/ set of rules.
- Where there is the potential for regular access to vulnerable people, organisation's must have a Child Protection / Vulnerable Persons Policy

Vulnerable people are classes as young people (those under 18 years of age) and adults who are or may be unable to take care of themselves or unable to protect themselves against significant harm or exploitation by reason of mental illness or other disability, age or illness and may be in need of community care services.

Award Process

- Applicants are advised to **speak to the Partnership and Development Manager before** making an application on 01827 719492 or by emailing lcdd@NorthWarks.gov.uk or using the on-line form www.NorthWarks.gov.uk/lcpf
- Applications can be made at any time, but will only be considered twice per year by the relevant Ward Members (deadlines 1 April and 1 October with decisions the following month)
- Upon receipt, applications will be checked to ensure that they are complete and meet the scheme's eligibility criteria
- If a Ward is over-subscribed, Ward Members will determine which, if any, projects are to receive support and in what sum
- Payment will be made in advance of the commencement of the project
- Applicants will be required to produce a short report upon completion of the project, detailing what was delivered and how the project benefitted the local community. Where relevant, photographs should be provided

The Fund Will Not Support:

- A project that has previously been supported through the scheme
- A project that has received any other form of Borough Council funding
- A project that is evidently related to the development of assets owned by public sector organisations.
- The ongoing running costs of a group
- Any costs incurred before a grant is awarded
- Statutory public bodies such as county, district, parish or town councils, schools, the Police, NHS, etc., or any activities that are the evident responsibility of these organisations
- Anything that is a group's statutory responsibility (including curriculum activity in schools). Under appropriate circumstances, the Borough Council may consider applications that improve access for disabled people
- Projects promoting religious / political beliefs
- Commercial projects
- Applicants that have failed to meet the conditions of a previous award from the Borough Council
- Organisations with significant "uncommitted financial reserves"
- Feasibility studies / research
- Holidays (although "educational" visits and/ or training courses may be considered)
- Prizes
- Loan or debt repayments
- More than one application from an organisation/ individual in the same financial year

Completed Applications

Applications can be completed on-line at www.NorthWarks.gov.uk/lcpf

Paper applications and supporting documents should be forwarded to:

Partnership and Development Manager
North Warwickshire Borough Council
The Council House
South Street
Atherstone
Warwickshire,
CV9 1DE

Local Community Project Fund – Awards 2014/15

Name	Awards	Ward	Project	When	Where
Area Forum North					
Austrey Residents Association	£338	Newton Regis and Warton	A Resident Association has been developed to coordinate the views of all residents in the village, to liaise with all public bodies on matters of concern. Funding is required for hall hire, promotion and secretarial support.	Initial discussions have taken place	Austrey Village Hall
Austrey Village Hall	£338	Newton Regis and Warton	Replacing old steel tables with lightweight folding tables.	As soon as possible	Austrey Village Hall
Hazel Meadow Allotments	£324	Newton Regis and Warton	In partnership with the local afterschool club, to provide workshops for them to learn about growing vegetables. A marquee is required to ensure that this project can continue in poor weather.	On-going project, purchase as soon as possible	Hazel Meadow Allotments in Austrey
Baddesley and Grendon Youth Club	£125	Baddesley and Grendon	To produce a collage of members for a notice board during the summer term. Craft items are required and the previous notice board will be used as a base. The club is for young people aged 10 - 15 years of age.	The club operates on a Friday from 7pm - 9pm during term time.	Grendon Community Centre, Boot Hill, Grendon. Atherstone. CV9 2EL
Area Forum South					
Coleshill Cricket Club	£450	Coleshill North	Specialist cricket coaching, supporting ambitions of an expanded youth section. To help recruitment the Club will participate in the WCB's 'Chance to Shine' programme and provide coaching support, from the Grant, to run cricket coaching in local schools.	January - September 2015.	Coleshill Leisure Centre, Memorial Park, Smiths Wood Sport College
Individual	£730	Arley and Whitacre	Funding will be used to set up a volunteer run cooking club at Arley Community Centre. We will encourage people of all ages to participate.	As soon as possible	Arley and St Micheal's Church and Community Centre
Love Colehill	£500	Coleshill South	Will be recreating how it would have been to sleep in the trenches overnight and showing the film 'War Horse' and providing a French Market on Sunday.	13/14 September 2014	Coleshill Town Hall
Shustoke Sailing Club	£150	Fillongley	Inviting local residents to visit the club to: enjoy a barbecue, go for a trial sail and find out about the club. The club is situated on the edge of Shustoke village and there is currently little contact between residents and club members. This project is designed to improve communications.	A summer evening in 2014	At Shustoke Sailing Club premises

Name	Awards	Ward	Project	When	Where
Area Forum East					
Atherstone Adders Hockey Club	£480	All Atherstone Wards	To train three coaches to England Hockey Level 1 level to enable an increase in the number of people we coach at our regular training nights	Courses in Spring 2015, with coaching in Sept, Oct and Nov	Queen Elizabeth Sport School, Witherley Road, Atherstone, CV9 1LZ
Cohort 4 Limited	£376	Atherstone Central	Cohort 4 will support for individuals involved with abuse relationships and their families. The aim is to reduce re-offending. The grant will fund equipment (projects and screen) to help with the delivery of sessions.	As soon as possible	Community House in Atherstone
Atherstone G.F.S. (Girls Friendly Society)	£1,500	Atherstone North	Purchasing a replacement second hand minibus (approximately three years old)	When all funding is in place, hopefully early 2015	Atherstone
Hartshill and District Residents Group	£492	Hartshill	Set up a residents group of those wishing to improve communications between local authorities and the community, to ensure that the needs of the residents of Hartshill and the surrounding community are met.	Meet once per month	Group meets at The Religious Society of Friends in Hartshill
Area Forum West					
Hurley Allotment Association	£1,500	Hurley and Wood End	Installing a composting toilet	As soon as funds are in place, hopefully by April 2015	Hurley Allotment Site
Allsorts Club	£500	Curdworth	To purchase two i-pads to support children attending wrap around care. The equipment will support their learning and allow them to be equal with their peers (who are able to access the equipment at home and get on with their homework).	September 2014	Wrap around care at Curdworth Primary School
Curdworth Village Hall	£500	Curdworth	To purchase 150 new stackable chairs	We hope to have purchase the chairs by September 2014	Curdworth Village Hall, Coleshill Road, Curdworth, B76 9HH
Old Saltleians Rugby Football Club Limited	£500	Water Orton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - Taking sports coaching into local schools 2 - Instilling core values of teamwork, respect, enjoyment, discipline and sportsmanship 3 - Promoting healthy, active lifestyles 4 - Staging a festival to celebrate progress 	The programme will start as soon as possible after funding is made available and will continue throughout school year.	Festival at Old Saltleians, Coleshill School, Water Orton Primary School and Kingsbury School

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Ex-Mining Villages Partnership	£496	Hurley and Wood End	Will run a series of four (2 x 1.5 hour) health themed workshops for young people on the topics: depression and anxiety, relationship Issues, health and well-being, and a 'feeling good' workshop.	The sessions will start in May/ June 2014 and run weekly until July 2014. Eight weeks in total.	The workshops will be delivered from Hurley Village Hall.

Area Forum West – 11 June 2015

Representation on Outside Bodies

Recommendation

That the Forum make recommendations for appointments to the outside bodies listed in the report.

1 Introduction

1.1 The Borough Council has requested that Area Forums be consulted for recommendations for appointments to the outside bodies 'local' to the area covered by this Area Forum.

1.2 The Area Forum is invited to recommend to the Borough Council the appointment of representatives to the following outside bodies:-

Kingsbury Liaison Group
Middleton Hall Trust
Piccadilly Community Association
Staney's Charity

1.3 The memberships previously comprised:-

Kingsbury Liaison Group – Councillor B Moss
Middleton Hall Trust – Councillor Lea
Piccadilly Community Association – Councillor Lewis
Staney's Charity – Councillors B and M Moss

1.4 The appointments are made for a period of one year expiring in May 2016.

The Contact Officer for this report is Amanda Tonks (719221).