

# **Area Forum East** Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2015

# Council Chamber North Warwickshire Borough Council

#### 6.00 - 6.30 - Surgery Session

Please come along and talk to councillors, council staff and the Police about issues you might have.

# 6.30 - Main Meeting

- 1 Welcome from the Chair
- 2 Apologies, Notes of the last meeting
- 3 Police Update Safer Neighbourhoods Team, Louise Baxter
- 4 Funding updates Jaki Douglas / Alistair Rigby
- 5 Representatives of Outside Bodies
- **Tell us your issues** An opportunity for issues of local concern to be raised (Please contact the Northern Area Team if you wish to speak)
- 7 Any Other Business
- 8 Suggestions for items/themes for the next meeting
- 9 Dates for 2015

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# NOTES of AREA FORUM EAST

# 26<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Area Forum East met 6.30pm at Hartshill Community Centre

**Present:** Borough Councillor – L Dirveiks (Chair)

County Councillor N Dirveiks, C Clark

Borough Councillors D Pickard

In Attendance: A Rigby – WCC

PC L Baxter, PC K Stafford – Warwickshire Police R Jones – Office of Police & Crime Commissioner

R Jarvis - Atherstone TC; T Hopkins, J Marshall - Mancetter PC

G Roberts - Hartshill PC

S Percival, M Percival, J Hedges, M Hedges, D Kearns, L Richmond,

R Cockayne

# 1. Apologies for Absence.

K Johnston, T Wykes, T De Kretser, L Freer, D Atkin, D Clews, D Hughes

# 2. Notes and Matters Arising of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2014

Minutes were agreed. Matters Arising:

Bus lay-by, Hartshill. Site visit on 25 February highlighted a new option slightly further away from school gate but able to accommodate two buses at a time. All large trees would remain as would the existing footpath. Underground services need to be fully investigated. More funding required.

A5 Mancetter traffic island. Highway Agency proposing pedestrian route round island linking Harpers Lane and Carlyon Road. Currently pedestrians are walking straight across island. T Hopkins to invite Cllr N Dirveiks to A5 cross-border Parish Council discussions.

Market Street, Atherstone. Cllr N Dirveiks to consider scheme for WCC Delegated Transport budget to fund feasibility study.

# 3. Police Update

PC L Baxter presented the Safer Neighbourhoods Team update. The following comments were

#### made:

- Welcome to PC Kim Stafford to SNT East team
- ShopWatch scheme caught 4 shoplifters in Atherstone
- Parking problems around The Woodlands, Hartshill
- Speeding Witherley Road, Atherstone
- Oldbury Road, Hartshill speeding, fly tipping in lay-by and inconsiderate car parking
- Speeding Nuneaton Road, Mancetter police cannot safely carried out speed checks. More appropriate for WCC to undertake speed survey.

Three priorities were chosen:

Priority: - Anti-social behaviour, Meadow Road, Hartshill by tenants Derwent Housing

Association

Priority: Anti-social behaviour, Friar's Gate / Holte Road jitty, Atherstone

**Priority**: Parking in Wakeford Close, Ridge Lane and speed checks when possible

#### 4. Introduction to Warwickshire Rural Watch Scheme

Carol Cotterill, Rural Crime Co-ordinator (North Warwickshire, Nuneaton & Rugby) presented. Carol was appointed after North Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership successfully applied for funding from the Warwickshire Police & Crime Commissioner Grant Fund.

Carol is based at Coleshill Police Station. Carol's job involves:

- looking at rural crime incidents in villages & farms and advising police response
- promoting Neighbourhood Watch and Rural Watch
- promoting crime prevention through website and crime prevention events

For more information go to:

http://www.warwickshireruralwatch.co.uk/

Of particular note on the website are the Incident Log and Advice Sheets.

## 5. Tell us your issues

Fly-tipping at Oldbury Road, Hartshill - in public lay-by; and at Ridge Lane, near Atherstone. C Cotterill to follow up.

# 6. Any other business

WCC Councillor Grant Fund still open to applications.

#### 7. Suggestions for items / themes for next meeting

Civil Parking Enforcement – From a brief discussion it appears that the scheme needs to be self-financing.

# 8. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June at NWBC Council Chamber

#### **Area Forum East**

#### **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 <a href="www.NorthWarks.gov.uk/lcpf">www.NorthWarks.gov.uk/lcpf</a>). 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)

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# 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:
  - o 1 Raising Aspirations, Educational Attainment and Skill Levels
  - o 2 Developing Healthier Communities
  - o 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 <a href="mailto:lcdd@NorthWarks.gov.uk">lcdd@NorthWarks.gov.uk</a> 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 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 require 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.  Area Forum South	The club operates on a Friday from 7pm - 9pm during term time.	Grendon Community Centre, Boot Hill, Grendon. Atherstone. CV9 2EL
Coleshill Cricket	£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 Coleshill	£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
	l		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
	I	T	Area Forum West	T	ı
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	<ol> <li>Taking sports coaching into local schools</li> <li>Instilling core values of teamwork, respect, enjoyment, discipline and sportsmanship</li> <li>Promoting healthy, active lifestyles</li> <li>Staging a festival to celebrate progress</li> </ol>	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

Name	Awards	Ward	Project	When	Where	
Area Forum West						
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.	

**County Councillor Grants 2014/15** 

Councillors/Division	Group	Project	Amount
Dirveiks – Atherstone	Atherstone Adders Hockey Club	Coaching and other courses	400
	Phantom Knights	Baritone Trumpet	600
	Crossroads Trust	Hao Shen Project, room hire and expenses	750
	Cohort 4 Ltd	All About Men	750
	Volunteer Centre	Support to Food Bank From Volunteer Centre	1,060
		Allotment	
	Warwickshire vision Support	Transportation	1,440
		Total	5,000
Clark – Hartshill	Phantom Knights	Trombone	595
	Hartshill & District Residents Group	Set Up a Website	600
	Atherstone Rugby Club	Refurbishment of portable floodlights from	1,500
		Atherstone Rangers by replacing power packs and	
		light fittings	
	Ridge Lane Youth Club	Wildlife Project	138.50
	Ridge Lane Methodist Church & Community Hall	Redecoration of Community Hall	700
	The Links Daycare Centre Ltd	2 Help Project – equipment	1,800
	Hartshill Sports Hotshots Junior Football Club	Costs and equipment to set up an under 9's team	800
	Atherstone Summer in the Square	Band for event 22/08/2015	900
		Total	7,033.50
Morson – Baddesley		Electrical Testing and Ground Maintenance	341
Ensor	Readers of Roman Way	5 Office Chairs	200
	Warton Community Association	Promotional T-shirts and Collection Boxes	285
	Grendon Toddlers Group	Toys and equipment	500
	Polesworth Parish Council	Cabinet for Defibrillator	700
	Grendon WI	100 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration	300
	Everyone Group	Start Up Costs	500
	Woodside PTA	Cycle Shelter and equipment	500
	Baddesley Ensor Party in the Park	Rubber Matting for Events	350
		Total	3,826
Parsons - Polesworth	Shuttington Parish Council	Re-design & re-equip play area	1,420
	North Warwickshire Recreation Scheme	Coaching and referee courses	550
	Hazel Meadows Allotments Austrey	Concrete Pad	600

	Birchmoor (St John) Community Interest Co	Upgrade kitchen facilities	1,000
	Abbey Artists	Professional tuition for 3 workshops in Water Colour Painting	500
	Newton Regis, Seckington & No Mans Heath PC	Cabinet for a Defibrillator	500
		Total	4,570
Fowler – Coleshill	Coleshill in Bloom Organisation	Flower bed & union flag plaques of Remembrance for Great War 1914/18	500
	Love Coleshill	Bike Event June 2015	500
	Father Hudson's Society	Families & Friends Celebration	500
	The Coleshill School	Feasibility Study for a crossing Coventry Road, Coleshill	1,500
	Coleshill Town Band	To purchase a Tam Tam	490
		Total	3,990
Hayfield – Arley	Fillongley Parish Council	National Day 'Silver Sunday' 5/10/14 - entertainment, leaflets, food & hire of hall	500
	Ansley Parish Council	Bus Shelter	2,000
	Over Whitacre Village Hall Committee	Repairs to roof & inside where there is water damage	790
	Arley & St Michael's Community Centre	Yoga Classes - room hire, weekly costs & publicity	520
	Ansley Village Allotment Society	Hedge Cutter	762
	, ,	Total	4,572
Lea – Water Orton	Village Café, Water Orton	Equipment to run a café	500
	Health Education & Welfare Community Group	Purchase outdoor adult fitness equipment	2,500
	Water Orton Cricket Club	Roof Insulation & Energy Efficient Lighting System	1982.50
		Total	4,982.50
Moss – Kingsbury	Kingsbury Methodist Community Outreach Group	Outing for member of Over 55's Club & Musical instruments for Under 5's Group	845
	Kingsbury Krafters	Hire of Room, Tutors/Demonstrators, materials, etc	1,000
	Kingsbury Community Panel	Community Hub, Jubilee Court - Laptops, sfe, printer, etc	2,450
		Total	4,295

# Area Forum East – 9 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:-

# Hartshill Hayes Country Park Advisory Committee Rowan Organisation

1.3 The memberships previously comprised:-

Hartshill Hayes Country Park Advisory Committee – Councillor Wykes – Substitute:- Councillor Johnston Rowan Organisation – Councillor Forwood

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

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