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Albrighton Area Local Joint
Committee

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Item No

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2011/12 FINANCE REPORT, INCLUDING UPDATE ON FUNDING REQUESTS FOR CONSIDERATION

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Summary

This report considers the devolved funding allocated to the Albrighton Area Local Joint Committee (LJC) for the period 1st April 2011 up until 31st March 2012.

A total of £16,460 has been devolved to the Committee to fund projects in the local community served by the LJC for the 2011/12 year.

Prior to each LJC, a planning meeting takes place to discuss applications for funding and agree recommendations.

Five applications have been received for this reporting period. These have been considered at the planning meeting held on 26 April 2011. The recommendations from the planning meeting feature in this report, and are put forward to the LJC to be held on 18th May 2011.

Recommendations

- That the LJC retains a small pot of £2,000 to be used as a community chest for grant applications up to a value of £250. This leaves a budget of £14,460 remaining for other projects to bid into.
- That the LJC considers the applications received, and awards funding to those organisations and their projects as recommended in Appendix 1 to this report.
- That the request detailed at 4 on this report from Albrighton Swimming Club be approved.

Report

Background

1. The Albrighton Area LJC is responsible for the award and expenditure of a devolved budget. The amount available to the LJC in 2011/12 has reduced as a result of Shropshire Council budget decisions, and a review of locality working in Shropshire. This amount has however been supplemented by the transfer of funding previously available for Community arts projects into the LJC budgets, and some under spend carried forward from 2010/11. This is the final year that any carry forward of under spend will be permitted.
2. The total amount therefore available to Albrighton Area LJC is calculated as follows:

Budget based on this electorate	£21,000
Amount available for 2011/12 following 50% budget reduction	£10,500
Plus apportioned allocation of community arts budget	£ 870
Plus carry forward of under spend	£ 5,090
TOTAL budget for 2011/12	£16,460

Recommendations put forward to the LJC on 18 May 2011

3. Applications for funding were considered at the LJC planning meeting on 26th April. Details of the individual applications are listed on the attached Appendix 1 to this report. Recommendations are now put forward to the Albrighton Area LJC and are summarised below as follows:

	£
A. Albrighton Musical Theatre Company	750.00
B. Albrighton & District Historical Society	250.00
C. Albrighton & District Crime Prevention Panel	1,000.00
D. Albrighton Bowls Club	3,000.00
C. Albrighton Skakepark Committee	2,700.00
TOTAL	7,700.00
 Total Funding Requests	 7,700.00
 Original Budget	 16,460.00
 Spend to Date	 7,700.00
 Balance Remaining	 8,760.00

Request from Albrighton Swimming Club

4. Members will recall that on 28th September 2010 Albrighton Swimming Club were awarded a grant of £1576 towards the cost of various equipment. Unfortunately, due to new pool regulations it is no longer viable for the club to purchase a baby changing table (£174). However, they have asked whether the committee would approve an alternative use of this proportion of the grant towards the purchase of some additional safety equipment (throw bags for lifeguards, a torpedo bouy for lifesaving and a lockable key box for the security of keys). The cost of these additional safety items is estimated at £180.

5 Future Funding

- 5.1 The next deadline for submission of bids for the November meeting is 14 October 2011 and all bids for future funding should be address to:

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List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)

Draft Medium Term Financial Plan 2011/12 – 2013/14, Appendix 5. Report to Cabinet 13 th January 2011.
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Locality Working Local Joint Committees. Report to Cabinet 9 th December 2010. LJC application forms for the projects listed
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Human Rights Act Appraisal

The recommendations contained in this report are compatible with the provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998.

Environmental Appraisal

None.

Risk Management Appraisal

In determining these recommendations the Council has considered reputational risk and the course of action minimises this risk.

Community / Consultations Appraisal
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Consideration has been given to the public opinion expressed at the previous Local Meeting.

Local Member

Shropshire Councillors – Malcolm Pate and Stuart West

Appendices

None.
