



Committee and Date
Bayston Hill Local Joint
Committee

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FUNDING PROPOSALS

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Summary

To update members on progress to date on the funding previously agreed in this financial year and to consider further funding proposals.

Recommendations

The Local Joint Committee (LJC) is asked to:

- (1) Note progress on the various items of expenditure agreed to date in this financial year.
- (2) Agree a sum of up to £1000 towards the re-printing and issue of a leaflet dealing with walks in Bayston Hill. The final decision to make the payment, following receipt of three quotes, to be delegated to the Lead Officer in consultation with the Chair of the LJC.
- (3) Agree a sum of £500 to the Memorial Hall Committee towards three wireless microphones to compliment the projection screen and hearing system and to contribute to the re-positioning of the screen/sound control box.

REPORT

Background

1. The updated Parish Plan has now been completed and published following detailed consultation at various meetings and with every household at the start of 2010 via a household questionnaire.
2. At the July and October meetings of the LJC funding was agreed for a range of projects as follows:
 - £2000 towards upgrading the Parade

- £4000 towards an anti-dog fouling campaign
 - £5000 towards the introduction of three new sites for a vehicle activated speeding sign.
 - £1070 for the printing of the update Parish Plan
 - £12,500 to the Parish Council to build the new BMX track
 - £4000 to the Memorial Hall to fund a new projection screen, hearing loop and sound system
3. This is a spend of £28,570 out of a total budget of £34,000. Officers have previously been assured that any money not spent can be carried forward to next year's budget.

PARADE

4. Progress on this remains slow, but the site agent is supportive of the proposal to demolish the garages but needs further advice on two remaining leases.

DOG FOULING

5. Cllr Ted Clarke and officers of Shropshire Council visited Oakmeadow School to invite the children to design posters encouraging residents to clean up after their dogs. A panel consisting of Cllr Clarke, Parish Councillor Hazel Jones and Headmaster Huw Roberts has been convened to judge the posters. The winners will then be converted into permanent notices displayed in the village. Shropshire Council has erected anti-dog mess enforcement signs and extra dog mess bins on the known dog walking areas throughout the village. Work continues on this project but there are now visible signs of progress.

VEHICLE ACTIVATED SIGN

- 6 VAS locations have been agreed in principle and we are simply now waiting on the installation of the posts. The Vehicle Activated Sign unit itself has been manufactured and is ready for installation once the posts are in place. The post installation company will be visiting the sites prior to the 7th of February to ensure the installations do not cause any issues location wise (utilities, future maintenance), and subject to that should complete the work by the 15th February.

BMX TRACK

7. This is obviously the largest item of expenditure agreed by the LJC and it has proved to be a great success with a significant number of local young people from Bayston Hill and further a field (even as far away as Oswestry) using the facility. The site has been identified as appropriate to run training courses from and this is being looked into further.

MEMORIAL HALL.

8. Since the installation of the new projection and hearing system there have been 3 films, all of which have been very well attended. Indeed on the last occasion, 75 people paid to watch the screening. Further funding is

recommended at paragraph 10 below.

WALKS IN BAYSTON HILL LEAFLET

9. One of the initiatives supported by the Parish Plan update would be a re-issue of the leaflet which was previously published highlighting walks around Bayston Hill. Three quotes are being sought from potential printers and it is planned to print 2000 copies for distribution around the Village. As the quotes have not yet all been received it is recommended that the final decision on who to contract with should be delegated to the Lead Officer in consultation with the Chair of the LJC..

ADDITIONAL FUNDING AT THE MEMORIAL HALL

10. The new projection screen and hearing system came with one wireless microphone but there are, in fact, connections for three more. These would undoubtedly be useful for drama/pantomime productions and would cost approximately £250 in total. It is recommended that this payment is made as had it been clear it was an option at the last meeting the funding proposed would have included this additional sum. A recent incident at the Hall demonstrated that the new screen/sound control box, which has been mounted on a wall in the Hall is set too low and needs to be re-position higher so as to avoid any possibility of anyone colliding with it during a sports activity. It is recommended that the LJC contribute £250 towards this work so as to not undermine the funding given at the last meeting.

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

Human Rights Act Appraisal

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

Environmental Appraisal

If approved the recommendations should enhance the local environment.

Risk Management Appraisal

It is necessary to progress the aims of the Action Plan to maintain the perception of effectiveness of the LJC.

Community / Consultations Appraisal

Extensive consultation with households took place over the Action Plan.

Member Champion

Cllr Gwilym Butler

Local Member

Cllr Ted Clarke, Liz Parsons, Jon Tandy

Appendices None

