



<u>Committee and date</u>
Cleobury and Rural Local Joint Committee Meeting
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CLEOBURY AND RURAL LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE FUNDING REPORT

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Summary

£36,000 has been allocated to the Cleobury and Rural Local Joint Committee for the current financial year. With £7,619 carried over from last year's uncommitted funding this gives the Committee a total of £43,619 to allocate this financial year.

At the May meeting the Committee decided to allocate its funding in the following manner:

Initial budget breakdown:

- £5,000 ringfenced for Cleobury Country Ltd to continue to operate the Community Chest small grants scheme for grants up to 50% of total project costs to a maximum grant of £500. Recommendations from the Community Chest panel to be put the LJC members for final endorsement.
- £15,000 ringfenced to operate a larger open grant pot for grants up to a 70% of total project costs to a maximum grant of £2,500.
- The remaining £23,619 to be retained to be allocated depending on the priorities set by the Committee at future meetings
- All of the above allocations can be reviewed by the committee

Report

1.0 Community Chest Scheme

Cleobury and Rural LJC Members are requested to note the recommendations of the Community Chest appraisal panel and agree funding accordingly.

6 applications have been received and have been appraised by the panel. These applications are:

- Cleobury Country Tourism Group – new leaflet
- Kinlet Countryside Group- new leaflet
- Vital Link Newsletter- assistance with production costs for 2011
- Cleobury Mortimer Horticultural Society- extension of allotments
- Coreley Parish Council- Village Hall Signage
- Neen Savage Village Hall- kitchen redecoration

2.0 Larger Grants

2.1 Six applications have been submitted for funding from the larger grants pot, to be directly appraised by LJC members.

- 2.2 **Cleobury Youth Partnership** is requesting £1,271 towards the cost of planting a barrier hedge between the skate park and the Glen caravan park to reduce noise disturbance and the vulnerability of the caravan park.
- 2.3 **The Friends of Doddington Church** are requesting £2,500 towards the costs of the restoration of the tower and entrance area to improve community use.
- 2.4 **Cleobury Country Ltd** is requesting £1,518 towards the costs of purchasing new equipment to improve their offer of affordable equipment hire to the community.
- 2.5 **The 4 Parishes Heritage Group** are requesting £600 towards the costs of creating a bloomery at the Chorley Show
- 2.6 **Hole in the Wall Festival** are requesting £2,500 towards the cost of the Young Promoters Project
- 2.7 **The Friends of St Mary's Church** are requesting £2,500 towards the costs of rewiring the Church as recommended by the Committee at the last meeting.
- 3.0 **Applications from LJC priorities budget**
- 3.1 There are no applications to the priorities budget.
- 4.0 **Overall funding position**
- 4.1 Please see attached spreadsheet for full details. If the LJC allocates funding to all these grants for the amount requested it will be some £4,693 over committed. This is a healthy financial position as it demonstrates clear demand for funding locally.
- 4.2 The Committee will need to agree movement of funds from the priorities and community chest budgets across to the larger grants budget to enable the projects to be agreed.
- 4.3 If all of the funding requests are approved the Committee will have £4,578 unspent funds that will be carried over into the 2011/12 financial year. The Committee are asked to take note that carry over into the 2012/13 year will not be possible.

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

None identified.

Human Rights Act Appraisal

No conflicts with the Human Rights Act have been identified.

Environment Appraisal

Not applicable.

Risk Management Appraisal

All funding applications are assessed against agreed criteria which will minimise any risks associated with these projects.

Community / Consultations Appraisal

Decisions on allocation of funding are subject to approval by the Cleobury Mortimer and Clee Partial Joint Committee as representatives of the local community.

Cabinet Member: Gwilym Butler

Local Members:

Shropshire Council:

Gwilym Butler

Richard Huffer

Madge Shineton

Parish & Town Councils:

Brian Howells – Burford Parish Council

Deborah Brown – Cleobury Mortimer Parish Council

Theresa Mackrow – Coreley Parish Council

Mark Link – Farlow Parish Council

Linda Clayton – Hopton Wafers Parish Council

David Haywood – Kinlet Parish Council

Chris Jones – Milson and Neen Sollars Parish Council

Andrew Vanderhook – Neen Savage Parish Council

Diane Newsham – Stottesdon and Sidbury Parish Council

Bill Foster - Wheathill Parish Council

Appendices:

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