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Item/Paper

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UNDERDALE, MONKMOOR AND ABBEY LOCAL BUDGET

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Summary

This report provides the Underdale, Monkmoor and Abbey Local Joint Committee with details of further bids for funding from the local budget. It requests Members agree a budget contribution.

New Application for Funding

The Committee are asked to confirm grant approval or rejection and any terms and conditions for the applications as detailed below:

Recommendations

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| A. Provision of funds to develop a proper BMX club at Upton Lane, working closely with the staff at Monkmoor Youth Club which has recently relocated to Upton Lane and could be used as a possible base. | 5,000 |
| B. The Underdale, Monkmoor and Abbey Community Committee is seeking funding to produce a community plan for the Underdale, Monkmoor and Abbey wards. A Community Plan is a statement of how a local community sees itself developing in the future. It sets out the needs and aspirations of the community based on the views and opinions of the people that actually live there. | 5,000 |

Report

Background

1. The Committee has a budget of £40,000 for the 2009/10 financial year. This must be spent to improve service standards, support the delivery of parish plans or to provide grants to local voluntary organisations.
2. Prior to this meeting, the Committee has approved funding to the total of £1,000 leaving **£39,000** available for new projects.

Upton Lane BMX Club

3. Shropshire Council would like to develop a proper BMX club at the Upton Lane venue, which would be the first of its kind in Shrewsbury. The Council envisage working closely with the staff at Monkmoor Youth Club which has relocated to Upton Lane and could therefore be used as a base. They also hope to join the British Cycling Association and through them train local young people to become BMX coaches. The track presently offers the facility but no organised activities. By having a formal club the Council would be able to supply and help out with equipment and give training tips to newcomers and provide coaching sessions.
4. The club would like to organise competitions with other clubs and give young people the opportunity to gain new skills, volunteer and take up training opportunities. By doing this it would reduce anti-social behaviour by giving young people a positive activity to become involved in.
5. Although initially the club would be set up by the Council it is envisaged that as the membership grew it would transfer to being a community sector club run by the members and given support as and when needed by the Council.

Underdale, Monkmoor and Abbey Community Committee

6. UMACC is seeking funding to produce a community plan for the Underdale, Monkmoor and Abbey wards. A Community Plan is a statement of how a local community sees itself developing in the future. It sets out the needs and aspirations of the community based on the views and opinions of the people that actually live there.
7. The aim of a Community Plan is to identify what actions the community would like to be taken. With this in mind, the Community Plan then becomes a living document as it will be updated as and when actions are completed and people's needs and aspirations develop.
8. Questionnaires will be distributed mid to end September and returned by end October. Public consultation events with groups will also be held by end November. It is envisioned the draft plan will be ready by the end of March 2010.

Previously Approved Funding Applications

6. To date the Committee have agreed the following grant contributions out of the Local Committee budget of £40,000.

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Provision of funds to assist Disability Arts in Shropshire (DASH) to carry out its work with disabled and deaf artists.	1,000

7. Bids for future funding are still required and should be addressed to:

Kevin Malone or Fiona Howe at Shropshire Council, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury SY2 6ND.

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The Local Joint Committee will receive regular updates on the progress of the projects that have been funded.

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 contained in this report are compatible with 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 - Miles Kenny, Jo Jones, Tony Durnell,

Appendices

None
