

Local Joint Committee Budget

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Summary

This report considers the devolved funding allocated to the Ellesmere Area Local Joint Committee (LJC) for the period 1st April 2010 up until 30 March 2011.

A total of £28,000 has been devolved to the committee to fund projects in the local community served by the LJC for the 2010/11 financial year.

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

Nine applications are received for this reporting period, these have been considered at the planning meeting held on 28 September 2010. The Recommendations from the planning meeting feature in this report and are put forward to the LJC to be held on 20 October 2010.

Recommendations

- That the LJC consider the applications received and award funding to those organisations and their projects as recommended in this report.

Report

Background

1. The Ellesmere Area Local LJC is responsible for awarding and expenditure of the devolved budget. A budget of £28,000 has been made available to the Ellesmere LJC. Expenditure against this budget is agreed by the Committee after consideration at planning meetings, then voting by Committee members. Voting is undertaken by the members of the committee, all with equal votes, with decisions determined by a simple majority.

Recommendations put forward to the LJC on 20 October 2010

2. Following discussions at the LJC planning meeting on 28 September 2010, applications for funding were considered. Recommendations totalling £9,050 are put forward to the Ellesmere Area LJC to be held on 20 October 2010. These are as follows:

Application	Nature of project	Amount requested	Recommended Value of award
Dudleston Heath VH	New heating system for VH	£2,500	£2000
Ellesmere Primary School - Forest School Area	Set up of forest schools area and equipment	£2500	£1500
Ellesmere Bowling Club – phase 1 stabilisation for vehicular access	Fencing and supply and lay wearing course	£2500	£2000
Mere Ambles – walking for health	6 kissing gates to improve access for all in the area	£1050	£1050
Winter festival	Advertising, signage and support for event	£1985.75	£1500
St Michaels and All Saints Church Welshampton	Restoration of pathway leading from church to burial ground.	£1350	£1000

3. The application received for the Ellesmere Senior Safety Day is not agreed.
4. It is recommended that the LJC defer the application from the following groups to be considered at the next LJC meeting following receipt of further information:
- Dudleston Heath Football Club – new sports equipment
 - Mere news community magazine

Application deadline

5. The next LJC meeting is to be held on 9 February 2011. Deadline for receipt of applications is **Friday 17 December 2010**.

<p>List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)</p> <p>LJC Decision report May 2010 LJC Decision report July 2010</p>
<p>Human Rights Act Appraisal</p> <p>The recommendations are unlikely to result in any implications for the Human Rights Act.</p>
<p>Environmental Appraisal</p> <p>Environmental appraisals will be carried out as necessary.</p>
<p>Risk Management Appraisal</p> <p>The Council needs to address the risk of legal challenge to decisions through procedural or other errors. This has been carefully assessed.</p>
<p>Community / Consultations Appraisal</p> <p>None</p>
<p>Cabinet Member</p> <p>Councillor Gwilym Butler – Portfolio Holder for Community Working and Customer Services.</p>
<p>Local Member</p> <p>Councillor Anne Hartley Councillor Steve Davenport Councillor Brian Williams</p>
<p>Appendices</p> <p>No Appendices</p>