

**Committee and Date**

Gobowen ,Selattyn, St Martins
and Weston Rhyn Local Joint
Committee

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Item/Paper

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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 Gobowen, Selattyn, St Martins and Weston Rhyn Local Joint Committee (LJC) for the period 1st April 2011 up until 31st March 2012.

A total of £26,051 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.

Ten applications have been received for this reporting period. These have been considered at the planning meeting held on 3rd May. The recommendations from the planning meeting feature in this report, and are put forward to the LJC to be held on 17th May 2011.

Recommendations

- That the LJC considers the applications received, and awards funding to those organisations and their projects as recommended in this report.
- In view of the reduced funding available, that the LJC considers whether it wishes in future to prioritise and/or invite project proposals which address particular themes or known priorities in the LJC area.

Report

Background

1. The Gobowen ,Selattyn, St Martins and Weston Rhyn 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 in to 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 Gobowen ,Selattyn, St Martins and Weston Rhyn LJC is calculated as follows:

Total LJC electorate as at August 2010:	7669
Budget based on this electorate	£32,000
Amount available for 2011/12 following 50% budget reduction	£16,000
Plus apportioned allocation of community arts budget	£1,306
Plus carry forward of under spend	£9,490
TOTAL budget for 2011/12	£26,051

Recommendations put forward to the LJC on 12 May 2011

3. Applications for funding were considered at the LJC planning meeting on 3rd May 2011. Recommendations totalling £ 10,793 are now put forward to the Gobowen,Selattyn, St Martins and Weston Rhyn e LJC. These are as follows:

	£
A. Fairfield Residents Group	745
B. All Saints Church Hall	1000
C. St Johns Church	0
D. Zebra Crossing Gobowen	2500
E. Community Meals Project	850
F. Preeshenlle Lunches	572
G. 1st Gobowen Scout Hall	1000
H. After Offa	1500
I. 3PYA holiday sessions	1000
J. Selattyn Holiday Club	320
K. Oswestry & District Arts Association	1306
Total Funding Requests	10793
Original Budget	26051

Spend to Date	0.00
Balance Remaining	15217

4. Future Funding

4.1 In view of the reduced funding available, the LJC may wish to consider whether it wishes in future to prioritise and/or invite project proposals which address particular themes or known priorities in the LJC area.

4.2 The next LJC meeting is scheduled to take place at 7.00pm on 18th October 2011 in St Martins Centre, St Martins SY11 3AY. Application closing date will be 16th September 2011.

4.3 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 13th January 2011.

Locality Working Local Joint Committees. Report to Cabinet 9th December 2010.

LJC application forms for the projects listed

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

Consideration has been given to the public opinion expressed at the previous Local Meeting.

Local Member

Shropshire Councillors – Cllr Steve Davenport, Cllr David G Lloyd and Cllr Trevor Davies

Appendices

Appendix A – Applications for consideration