

## FUNDING REQUESTS

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## Summary

This report lists the grants agreed for 2010/11 and submits eleven new applications for consideration.

## Recommendations

1. The Committee are asked to consider approving the applications shown below:

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A. Cheswardine Village Hall – additional lighting for the main hall	£800
B. Market Drayton Running Club – leadership course and website	£1000
C. Market Drayton Town Plan – Phase two of Town plan creation	£2494
D. Hodnet School community gardening project- Tool shed and potting shed	£800
E. PACT post boxes – Post boxes in the community for residents to anonymously report issues and concerns to the Police	£400
F. Shrewsbury Bookfest – Book award 2012, reading development project for junior school children in Shropshire.	£6000
G. Market Drayton sports and leisure club – cavity wall insulation	£1800
H. Market Drayton Cricket club – coaching pack	£591

I.	St Michael's Church Water provision – connection of water to the church	£1909
J.	Hodnet Brownies and Guide Hut – new toilets with disability access	£4500
K.	U3A photography group – projector and screen	£350
<b>TOTAL (A+B +C+D+E+F+G+H+I+J+K)</b>		<b>£20,644</b>

2. This budget must be allocated so as to meet local priorities, improve service standards, support the delivery of parish plans or to provide grants to organisations in support of local projects.
3. To date, the Committee has allocated £51,405 from the 2010/11 budget. This leaves a balance of £18,235. Full details can be seen at **Appendix A.**
4. The applications have been summarised below and the full applications will be available at the meeting for anyone who wishes to see them.

#### **Cheswardine Village Hall Lighting**

6. Cheswardine Village hall are requesting £800 towards extra lighting in the main hall
7. Current lighting is adequate for weddings and parties but not bright enough for conferences and meetings or art classes. Updated lighting will enhance the booking opportunities for the hall.
8. The Village hall Committee would welcome any contribution from the LJC.

#### **Market Drayton Running Club**

9. Market Drayton Running Club is seeking £1,000 to go towards sending three people on a Leadership in running and Fitness course and setting up a website to encourage new members and advertise activities.
10. The Course is £270 and website creation £1,000. Market Drayton Running Club has raised £270 through their own fundraising.
11. The club has 53 paid-up members and more people taking advantage of the trial sessions. The club advertises locally to try and engage more people in getting fit through running, UK Athletics are able to help with more recruitment but say the club needs a website for them to help.

## **Market Drayton Community led Town Plan**

12. Market Drayton Community Led Town plan is seeking £2,494 to complete phase two of the Market Drayton Community Led Town Plan. This includes the production of the final plan, distribution and report launch.
13. The Community led town plan consulted with all residents and businesses in the town to asking what they thought of the town and how issues could be addressed. More that 100 groups were contacted and consulted with and a survey was drawn up and sent out to over 5000 households. 1350 surveys were completed and returned which was over 26% return rate.
14. Phase two of the plan consists of each of the three focus groups analysing and research into the data provided from the surveys. Based on the information provided, they will then each write their own sections of the final report including necessary actions to implement the findings. The final plan will then be made available to all residents of Market Drayton and actions from the plan be followed up by the associated groups, agencies and individuals.
15. The Town plan steering group have £756 match funding available to put towards Phase 2.

## **Hodnet School Community gardening project**

16. Hodnet Primary School are seeking £800 towards their Community gardening project. The funding is sought to purchase a potting shed and secure tool shed to help with the growing of vegetable and planting of seeds and flowers.
17. The gardening project is supported after school by two gentlemen from the community. Children and parents are invited to get involved. The local Rotary club has provided bulbs and seeds.
18. The PTA has contributed £200 towards the project total of £1000

## **PACT post boxes**

19. The Local Policing team are requesting £400 funding for PACT (Policing and communities together) post boxes. It would fund 10 leaflet stands and 10 post boxes for use in Parishes around Market Drayton and within the Town centre.
20. The 'Police' post boxes are to be used with PACT post cards on which local residents are able to record issues, concerns or information for the local policing teams to deal with. This can be done anonymously.
21. Trial use of the post boxes in Childs Ercall and Hodnet have worked well and it is felt that other rural villages and parts of the town would benefit from giving access to the boxes and being able to voice concerns or issues.

## **Shrewsbury Bookfest – Book Awards 2012**

22. Bookfest are seeking £6,000 towards Book awards 2012.
23. Launched in 2009/10, Book Award is a reading development project for Young Children across Market Drayton and the wider community. From January to March 2012 KS2 pupils from 20 junior schools around Shropshire will read shortlisted titles and vote for their favourite. Pupils will come together in May 2012 for an awards ceremony where the winning title will be announced.
24. The total costs for the project are £7,700 to run it with 20 schools in Shropshire, £1,700 has been applied for from books for schools. Cost per school is £300, there are 9 potential schools in the Market Drayton and rural LJC area if all schools were to take part this would total £2700.

## **Market Drayton Sports and leisure club**

25. Market Drayton sports and leisure club is seeking £1,800 towards Cavity wall insulation to insulate the newly re-roofed building.
26. Two years ago the roof was vandalised and lead flashing stolen. A grant was secured from the Community fund which has meant the roof can be made watertight. Focus is now in the internal restoration of the building in which cavity wall insulation is key. It will make the building warmer and more energy efficient and allow more activities to take place.
27. As a multi use sports facility Sport and leisure club has around two hundred and fifty people who are regular and occasional users.

## **Market Drayton Cricket Club**

28. Market Drayton Cricket Club is seeking £591 for new coaching kit.
29. The club urgently need the coaching equipment from the England and Wales Cricket board in order for them to be able to coach children both with and without disabilities to bring them on to their full potential with up-to-date equipment and strategies being used by all top flight cricketers.
30. The total project costs are £691 with £100 match funding from the club.

## **St Michael's Church**

31. St Michael's Church, Childs Ercall are seeking £1,909 funding to bring water to the church.
32. There was no provision for water in the church and consequently water had to be brought via bucket from the vicarage. The vicarage has since closed and this made things difficult in the bad weather.

33. The work to bring water to the church has already taken place due to an opportunity arising to have it done, therefore funding is applied for retrospectively. The Church is now faced with having to pay their parish share out of their disasters fund.
34. A future project for the church would be to create toilet and kitchen facilities to make life more comfortable for those visiting the church and encourage other users.

### **Hodnet Joint headquarters – new toilets**

35. The Hodnet joint headquarters management committee are seeking funding of £4,500 to facilitate the building of new toilets at their hall.
36. Currently the hall is used by Brownies, Guides, beavers, cubs and scouts and it has only an outside toilet. The toilets are in poor condition and have no disability access.
37. The project would involve converting a lean-to as an extension to the main building, creating a new toilet block with disabled access and alarm and fire door.
38. The total project cost is £4500, £2,500 for the building work and £2,000 for the new toilet system. The management committee are constantly fundraising for the up keep of their building.
39. A new toilet block would significantly benefit girls and boys aged 6-20 using the hall, encourage other users and volunteers who would not have otherwise been able to attend without disabled access toilets and it will reduce the maintenance costs for the management committee and allow them to keep the charges to other charitable groups using the site to a minimum in this time of rising costs.

### **U3A Photography Group**

40. U3A photography group (University of the third age) are seeking £350 for a digital projector and screen.
41. The group is newly formed and doesn't have any effective way of showing digital photographs to its members.
42. The U3A photography is mainly made of retired people wanting to learn a new skill or share their experience with others. In addition to the projector and screen being used by the group itself, it will also be made available to other community groups who need access to them such as Friends of Walkmills meadow, Shropshire Wildlife trust Market Drayton branch and residents of Corbett Court.
43. The total project cost is £400, match funding of £50 has been raised.

#### 44. Future Bids

45. Bids for future funding should be addressed to:-

Email: [lucy.roberts@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:lucy.roberts@shropshire.gov.uk)

Telephone: 01939 237569

Future meetings dates:-

Wednesday, 22 June 2011

Wednesday, 12 October 2011

Wednesday, 29 February 2012

**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**

**Risk Management Appraisal**

In determining these recommendations, Shropshire 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.

**Cabinet Member**

N/A

**Local Members**

Karen Calder  
Roger Hughes  
Andrew Davies  
Brian Gillow  
David Minnery

**Appendices**

Appendix A – Budget Allocations Granted for 10/11