



Committee and date
North East Shrewsbury Local
Joint Committee

7th February 2012

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Item No

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Public

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 North East Shrewsbury Local Joint Committee (LJC) for the period 1st April 2011 up until 31st March 2012.

A total of £23,644 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.

Four applications have been received for this reporting period and are put forward to the LJC to be held on 7th February 2012.

Recommendations

- That the LJC considers the applications received, and awards funding to those organisations and their projects that benefit the North East Shrewsbury area.
- 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

North East Shrewsbury 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.

The total amount therefore available to North East Shrewsbury LJC is calculated as follows:

Total LJC electorate as at August 2010:	9,003
Budget based on this electorate	£37,000
Amount available for 2011/12 following 50% budget reduction	£18,500
Minus 30% top slice of funding for Shrewsbury wide allocation	£12,950
Plus apportioned allocation of community arts budget	£1,534
Plus carry forward of under spend	£9,160
Total budget for 2011/12	£23,644
May 12 th LJC spend	£3,750

Requests for funding put forward to the LJC on 7th February 2012

1. Applications for funding were considered at the LJC planning meeting on 16th January 2012. Requests totalling £7,890 are now put forward to the North East Shrewsbury LJC. These are as follows:

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A. Shrewsbury Saints FC	350
B. Shrewsbury & Severnside Boxing Club	1,640
C. Harlescott Homework Club	2,900
D. Friends of the Flaxmill Maltings	3,000
TOTAL	7,890

Total Funding Requests	7,890
Original Budget	23,644
Spend to Date	3,750
Balance Remaining	19,894

2. Future Funding

- 2.1 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.

- 2.2 Bids for future funding should be address to:

Steve Cunningham Senior Community Action Officer at
Shropshire Council, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury SY2 6ND

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3. Updates on the progress and impact of projects already funded by the LJC will be provided at the meeting.

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 – Alan Mosley, Karen Burgoyne and Malcolm Price

Appendices

None.