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## **2011/12 OSWESTRY LJC BUDGET REPORT AND FUNDING REQUESTS FOR CONSIDERATION**

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### **Summary**

This report considers the devolved funding allocated to the Oswestry Local Joint Committee (LJC) for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2011 up until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012.

A total of £42,195 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 6<sup>th</sup> May. The recommendations from the planning meeting feature in this report, and are put forward to the LJC to be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 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

The Oswestry 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.

The total amount available to Oswestry LJC is calculated as follows:

Total LJC electorate as at August 2010:	16,846
Budget based on this electorate	£27,000
Plus apportioned allocation of community arts budget	£2,265
Plus carry forward of under spend	£12,930
<b>TOTAL budget for 2011/12</b>	<b>£ 42,195</b>

Applications for funding were considered at the LJC planning meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> May and recommendations totalling £8,273 are now put forward to the Oswestry LJC for consideration.

These are as follows:

	<b>Project name</b>	<b>£</b>
A1	Oswestry's Strongest Man competition	260
A2	Summer Reading Challenge events	480
A3	Comics Stripped – workshops and exhibition	450
A4	Oswestry Heritage Open Weekend	1,000
A5	Summer art workshops in Cae Glas park	400
A6	Take 2 The Streets	1,000
A7	Jubilee Money Advice Service	2,000
A8	Llwynfields Residents Association	233
A9	Playday event at Gatacre	450
A10	Town centre fingerpost project	2,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£8,273</b>

	2011/12 budget	£42,195
	Total of recommendations	£ 8,273
	Delegation of community arts budget (see attached report)	£ 2,265
	Spend to date in 2011/12	£ 0.00
	<b>Balance remaining</b>	<b>£42,195</b>

## Future Funding

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.

For information about applying for an LJC grant and to get an application form, contact Kate Garner, Community Action Manager on 01691 677318 or at [kate.garner@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:kate.garner@shropshire.gov.uk)

**The closing date for the next application round is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2011.**

### **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 13<sup>th</sup> January 2011.

Locality Working Local Joint Committees. Report to Cabinet 9<sup>th</sup> 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 Members**

Shropshire Councillors – Keith Barrow, Martin Bennett, Bill Benyon, Vince Hunt

### **Appendices**

A. Summary of applications received for LJC 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2011