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BUDGET 2009/10 DECISION REPORT

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Summary

At the first meeting of the Shifnal and Sheriffhales Local Joint Committee it was resolved to establish a £2,500 Community Chest for smaller applications and the remainder of the budget of £21,000 funding larger applications.

This report details 4 deferred applications and 12 new applications which have been received and it is requested that the Committee consider the budget applications and recommendations in this report.

Recommendations

- A. Members are asked to confirm the budget allocations as set out in this report.

Report

1. 4 applications are being resubmitted to this round following deferment.
2. 12 new grant applications have been submitted for the second round and an assessment of their application is set out below.

Assessment

Deferred Applications

09/07 Shifnal Harriers Junior Football Club – New Goals/Training Equipment

3. The purpose of the project is to provide new goal posts and training equipment as the club is at a new venue and expanding rapidly. They do have temporary plastic goals but are now looking to replace these with goals that can be firmly placed in the ground.
4. The new training equipment will enable the club to meet the needs of the Under 7's and Under 10's teams and allow them to take new members. The club already has nearly 200 members.
5. The total cost of the project is **£922.00** and the applicant requests the full amount from the LJC.
6. **Committee is recommended to approve funding of £922.00 towards the cost of this project.**

09/10 Shifnal Harriers Junior Football Club – Training

7. The purpose of the project is to give more parents the opportunity to take part in an FA course that relates specifically to junior football. The course will include level 1 football, coaching, first aid and safeguarding children. They are also looking to include referee courses.
8. The training will enable parents to volunteer for the club, take part in activities with their children and with more qualified volunteers, the club can take on more members and meet the demand.
9. The total cost of the project is **£1140.00** and the applicant requests the full amount from the LJC.
10. **Committee is recommended to approve funding of £1000.00 towards the cost of this project.**

09/12 Shifnal and Sheriffhales Live at Home Scheme

11. The purpose of the project is to provide practical and moral support to older vulnerable people who live in their own homes.
12. The project offers social activities, transport, recruitment and training of volunteers, a befriending service, friendship groups, buddy scheme, hospital visiting, lunch clubs and extend exercise classes.

13. The total cost of the project is £40,798 and the applicant is requesting **£3,574** from the LJC.
14. **Committee is recommended to refuse due to funding for the full amount being secured through an alternative source.**

09/13 Shifnal CCTV

15. The purpose of the project is to replace the recorder unit in the monitoring room with an up to date one. The monitoring equipment will handle up to 16 cameras. At present there are 7 cameras with plans to add 1 and given conclusion of the addition, the recorder will be using all of its 8 available channels, so leaving no opportunity for further expansion.
16. The up to date unit will have more channels and more storage. The present unit only holds 1 months data whereas a new system will hold up to 90 days.
17. The total cost of the project is **£3,500** and the applicant is requesting the full amount from the LJC.
18. **Committee is recommended to approve £500.00 towards the cost of this project.**

New Applications

09/17 Shifnal Troop Army Cadets

19. The purpose of the project is to purchase computer equipment, software and compasses in order for cadets to benefit and enhance training delivery.
20. Shifnal Troop RLC, Shropshire Army Cadet Force aims to deliver challenging and progressive training to young people who live in Shifnal and surrounding areas aged 12-18 years in team work, to learn responsibility, leadership and self-confidence through activities such as sport, adventurous training, music, first aid, military skills and community activities.
21. Cadets also have the opportunity to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme and the chance to earn a BTEC qualification in public services (equivalent to 4 GCSE's).
22. The total cost of the project is **£914.00** and the applicant is requesting the full amount from the LJC.
23. **Committee is recommended to approve £914.00 towards the cost of this project.**

09/18 Shifnal Harriers Junior Football Club – Tracksuits

24. The purpose of the project is to provide team tracksuits.
25. After a successful season the team have made the league cup final to take place at The Bucks Head. The tracksuits would complete the attire and would advertise the LJC as sponsors on the back.
26. The total cost of the project is **£1191.00** and the applicant is requesting the full amount from the LJC.
27. **As this project does not benefit the wider community, Committee is recommended to reject.**

09/19 Shifnal Market

28. The purpose of the project is to hold seasonal quarterly markets that will support other local events e.g. the festival market in September and the advent market in November to support the Christmas lights
29. The proposed quarterly markets will be an investigative tool for analysing what is most appreciated by Shifnal residents with the ultimate aim of providing a well supported farmers market.
30. The total cost of the project is **£5880.00** and the applicant is requesting **£3000** from the LJC.
31. **Committee is recommended to approve £1798.00 towards the cost of this application.**

09/20 Shifnal Newsletter

32. The purpose of the project is to develop a quarterly newsletter to be distributed free of charge to all properties in Shifnal. It will be a community led newsletter aimed at keeping all elements of the community informed and involved in all aspects of the town.
33. The newsletter is a completely new publication but will also be able to act as a coordinator for events and projects, expanding their potential and making the most of their resources.
34. The total cost of the project is **£2,500** and the applicant is requesting **£1250** from the LJC.
35. **Committee is recommended to approve £1000.00 towards the cost of this project.**

09/21 Sheriffhales Village Hall

36. The purpose of the project is to provide a new village hall and the funding requested from the LJC is for building regulation fees and to enable the

requirements of the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007 to be met.

37. The building regulations and CDM coordination are both crucial to the project and it could not commence without either in place.
38. The total cost of the project is **£281513.00** and the applicant is requesting **£4056.00** from the LJC.
39. **Committee is recommended to approve £3745.00 towards the cost of the project.**

09/22 Shifnal Methodist Church Project Group

40. The purpose of the project is to purchase chairs and tables for the refurbished community room.
41. The community facilities within the church are undergoing a major refurbishment including the toilets, kitchen and coffee bar. The coffee bar areas are used weekly for anyone in the community and the new rooms will provide modern facilities for local groups to hire.
42. The total cost of the project is **£230,000** and the applicant is requesting **£3,000** from the LJC.
43. **Committee is recommended to approve £1000.00 towards the cost of this project.**

09/23 Shifnal Cricket Club – Pedestrian Access

44. The purpose of the project is to construct a fenced off walkway adjacent to the bowls green.
45. The complex has two car parks connected by a narrow road running alongside the bowls green. Cricket, football and tennis players who park in the larger car park have to walk along the narrow road to gain access to the pavilion and tennis courts. This has been identified as a danger to personal safety.
46. The total cost of the project is **£2679** and the applicant is requesting the full amount from the LJC, however club volunteers will provide the labour.
47. **Committee is recommended to approve £1000.00 towards the cost of this project.**

09/24 Shifnal Cricket Club – Improvements to Cricket Nets

48. The purpose of the project is to make safety improvements to the cricket nets.
49. The outdoor cricket nets were constructed in 2004. The netting and batting surfaces have deteriorated over time and now present safety hazards in

excess of those expected when playing sports. Cricket balls can bounce unpredictably from the uneven surfaces and the netting often fails to contain struck cricket balls, presenting a danger to people milling around the adjacent areas.

50. The total cost of the project is **£2456** and the applicant is requesting **£2,000** from the LJC.

51. **Due to funding pressures, Committee is recommended to reject this application.**

09/25 Shifnal Cricket Club – Improvements to Run up Areas

52. The purpose of the project is to extend the run up areas.

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53. The length of the artificial turf for the bowlers run ups is too short. Bowlers find it difficult to adjust from running on worn turf to artificial turf during their approach. Bowling is very much dependant upon rhythm which is disrupted by the two different surfaces. The turf areas of the run up become worn and rutted all of which makes ankle and knee damage an ever present threat.

54. The total cost of the project is **£5040** and the applicant is requesting **£4,500** from the LJC.

55. **Due to funding pressures, Committee is recommended to reject this application.**

09/26 Sheriffhales Parochial Church Council – Furnish new Community Room

56. The purpose of the project is to purchase chairs and tables for the refurbished community room.

57. Funding of £60,000 has been secured for a new Community room within the church and will provide comfortable, convenient facilities for community use.

58. The total cost of the project is **£2194** and the applicant is requesting the full amount from the LJC.

59. **Committee is recommended to approve £1000.00 towards the cost of this project.**

09/27 Shifnal Parish Paths Partnership Group

60. The purpose of the project is to produce a series of leaflets describing walks around Shifnal.

61. The aim is to encourage greater use of the network of local country footpaths by local residents and by visitors to the town. There is good use of some local paths by local residents but anecdotal evidence that many do not venture very far from the town, nor seek out new routes. Publication should encourage

longer and more frequent walks being undertaken. It is intended also to make the leaflets available via the internet.

62. The total cost of the project is **£980.00** and the applicant is requesting the full amount from the LJC.
63. **Committee is recommended to approve £980.00 towards the cost of this project.**

09/28 Friends of Shifnal Fire Station – Office Equipment

63. The purpose of the project is to purchase a display cabinet in order to display historical artefacts etc. and IT equipment for the public to use e.g. when researching family history etc..
64. Shifnal's new museum and heritage centre has recently opened to the public, located in the former fire station building. It contains a range of historical artefacts relating to the towns development, old photographs and compilations of census and local register records. The purchase of the equipment is essential to the new museum being of use to all sections of the community and therefore will maximise its benefit.
65. The total cost of the project is **£1000** and the applicant is requesting the full amount from the LJC.
66. **Committee is recommended to approve £1000.00 towards the cost of this project.**

Current Budget Position

67. At the meeting on 14th July 2009, it was agreed that the allocation of £24,000 be split to provide a Community Chest of £2,500 and that the remaining £21,500 be allocated to larger applications adhering to the specified grant criteria.
68. These recommendations will commit £0 from the Community Chest, leaving £1960.00 which is to be transferred into the main allocation, thus the main allocation now totals £14859.50.
69. Bids for future funding are welcomed and should be addressed 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)

Local Joint Committee Constitution and Financial Guidelines

Human Rights Act Appraisal

The recommendations contained in this report are compatible with the provisions of the Human Rights act 1998

Environmental Appraisal

Not applicable

Risk Management Appraisal

None identified

Community / Consultations Appraisal

This decision is subject to approval by the Shifnal and Sheriffhales Local Joint Committee as representatives of the local community

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Appendices