

SHIFNAL AND SHERIFFHALES LJC 2012/13 - SUMMARY OF GRANT APPLICATIONS

Second Round (November 2012)

Applications for consideration from the total fund remaining of £5,945

As no applications were received for the community chest all remaining budget has been lumped together in the larger pot for consideration of this second round of applications together with a repayment of £225 from Shifnal Patients Group who no longer require the grant.

No.	Project Title / Organisation	Summary	Amount Requested	Recommendation	Committee Awarded
17.13	Shifnal Tennis Club – anti-slip repainting	<p><i>A project to repaint the surface of the courts with anti-slip paint to make them safer to use.</i></p> <p>Shifnal Tennis Club is a local, community based, tennis club which was established in the 1950's. The club currently has 38 adult and 78 junior members between the ages of 5 to 70+ years old most of whom live in and around Shifnal.</p> <p>The club installed floodlighting in 2007 and re-surfaced the courts in 2009 at a cost of £45,000 which enabled the courts to be used throughout the year. Whilst the courts were painted with anti-slip paint at that time, after extensive use over the last 3.5 years the surface coating has become worn and is now slippery and potentially dangerous when the courts are damp.</p> <p>The aim of the tennis club is to make tennis accessible to all. Members pay an annual membership fee that is used to pay for affiliation to the Lawn Tennis Association, Insurance, equipment, entrance fees for adults and juniors into local competition leagues, floodlighting, equipment etc.</p> <p>A small element is put into a contingency fund each year towards larger capital projects such as the future resurfacing of the courts which is likely to cost well in excess of the £45,000 paid three and a half years ago.</p> <p>With this in mind the Club are requesting a grant for the full cost of the work which is costed at £408.</p>	£408	<i>That a grant of £408 be awarded.</i>	

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17.14	British Red Cross – Shropshire Young Carers	<p><i>A project to give young carers an opportunity to take a break from their responsibilities at home and have some time out.</i></p> <p>The young carers project is organised into five areas, Bridgnorth, Ludlow, Oswestry, Market Drayton and Shrewsbury who meet every month in a variety of settings for a 3 hour peer support session.</p> <p>This provides the opportunity for the young carers to “hang-out” with people who experience similar things to them, have a break from their caring roles enjoying some child time and have the opportunity to share some of their worries, concerns and achievements with each other and the young carers team.</p> <p>Within the Shifnal area there are 3 young carers who regularly attend the monthly peer support meetings.</p> <p>The total cost of the project is £15,000 and they are requesting funding of £347.55 which is made up of 3 x £115.85.</p>	£347.55	<i>That a grant of £347.55 be awarded.</i>	

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17.15	Shifnal Local History Group – Oral History Project	<p><i>The project is to cover the cost of purchasing a portable microphone/recorder.</i></p> <p>The local history group has become increasingly aware that there is a need to capture and preserve the memories of the people of Shifnal that will otherwise be lost if action isn't taken soon.</p> <p>The project will record the memories of members of the community in a structured way. The idea is to make the recordings available to visitors in general but especially to local schools and younger people.</p> <p>The exhibition at the Fire Station is receiving increasing visitor numbers and they expect to reach their estimate of 1000 per annum this year. They are also developing their outreach activity and have recently had a visit from the Shifnal Guides and have invited the primary schools to visit. They have also held a number of coffee mornings as a specific way of attracting older residents who have happily shared their memories with other visitors and with the group.</p> <p>Two of the volunteers will also be attending a training course to aid this process at a cost of £120 and the cost of the equipment is £847.20. The group are requesting a grant for the full amount.</p>	£967.20	<i>That a grant of £967.20 be awarded.</i>	

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17.16	The Walled Garden Project – Crafts & Companionships	<p><i>To help towards refurbishment costs and equipment for their Crafts & Companionships Project.</i></p> <p>The craft room at the Walled Garden Project is in urgent need of upgrading to make it a cleaner, safer, and more user friendly environment. The room is very basic in décor and appearance and needs new floor covering, paintwork, lighting and window blinds. They have approx. 50 adults with learning difficulties that partake in craft activities as an integral part of their accredited course at The Walled Garden Project.</p> <p>They strongly believe there are no other projects in the area (5 miles radius) offering what they do to such a diverse range of people and with the opportunity of growth. They have experienced a huge uplift in all age groups wanting to learn about time honoured crafts and skills, they have also found over the last 12 months that they are approached by people who would be classed as socially disadvantaged. This may include, the aged, young mothers, disabled, unemployed, divorced, low self-esteem, mental health issues to name but a few. They also need to build on their materials stock. This project helps to enable all who attend through various art and craft techniques to keep active, both physically and mentally and by encouraging the community to participate this will strengthen relationships within the local community.</p> <p>The total cost of the project is £1,255.79 and they are requesting a grant of £1,055.79 towards this cost, the remaining balance is being saved by use of volunteer time to undertake the work.</p>	£1,055.79	<i>That a grant of £1000 be awarded.</i>	

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17.17	Friendship Centre, Shifnal – Travel costs	<p><i>This project is to help towards the travel costs of club activities.</i></p> <p>The Friendship club provides a variety of events for senior citizens including excursions and monthly social meetings that enable members to befriend each other and provide a network of amiable support.</p> <p>Many of the members are widows and widowers, some with physical handicaps which prevent mobility. Because of the high cost of transportation (coach-hire) they struggle to maintain the variety of activities. The application is to help towards this cost. They have an average membership of 45 and each journey attracts 30-35 members.</p> <p>They do charge an annual fee of £30 per member and this is subsidised by their own fund raising quizzes and other such activities. However, they also have to cover the cost of room hire and speakers from this fund as well as provide their schedule of activities.</p> <p>The total cost of putting on their annual schedule of events is £1,350 and they can fund £450 from their own funds so their grant request is for £900.</p>	£900	<i>That a grant of £900 be awarded.</i>	

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17.18	Shifnal Bowling Club – replacement of bowling green mower	<p><i>A project to replace the bowling green mower required to keep the green at the appropriate standard.</i></p> <p>The green is a principal asset of the club which has to be maintained to a required standard to enable the club to be affiliated to various leagues. The number one piece of equipment is the mower which is now in urgent need of replacement.</p> <p>They currently have 121 members which includes 14 juniors aged 17 and under which brings in an annual membership of approx. £2800.</p> <p>They have a continuous programme of improvements and have recently upgraded the toilets, installed new waste drainage, converted storage to provide a disabled toilet, installed safety nets, undertaken major repair works to the clubhouse roof and installed a water irrigation system.</p> <p>The total cost of the mower (which is a very competitively priced option) is £2,274 and they are requesting grant funding of £1000 towards this with the shortfall being funded from their own balances.</p> <p>Their accounts do show a surplus of £5,300, however, they have costs of £2500 to pay for upgrading the floodlights and other grounds maintenance items to cover on the green of £1000.</p>	£1,000	<i>That a grant of £1000 be awarded.</i>	

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17.19	Sheriffhales Village Hall – supply & fit blinds & curtains to village hall	<p><i>To provide good quality, robust and attractive window coverings to the village hall.</i></p> <p>The hall has been operating for 18 months without any window coverings so there is no blackout facility during the daylight hours (eg for showing projected images) and no ability to prevent light spillage at night from the windows.</p> <p>This issue has been raised by a variety of users of the hall. The local WI has offered to make a contribution to the cost of procuring the window coverings as this would significantly benefit their use of the hall when talks are being given. The hall is used extensively by the community on a weekly basis and the committee has identified a number of key areas that require specific attention for the potential of the hall to be fully realised.</p> <p>The total cost of the project is £3000 and they are requesting any level of grant that the committee feel appropriate with the shortfall being met by donations and further fund raising.</p>	Any award would be appreciated	<i>That a grant of £1322.25 be awarded as a departure from the usual top limit of £1000 to enable this work to be completed.</i>	
		<p>TOTAL BUDGET IN LARGE POT AT Feb 2012/13</p> <p>Total awarded at 3rd July meeting</p> <p>Repayment made</p> <p>Total recommended at this meeting</p> <p>BALANCE REMAINING</p>	<p>£13,007</p> <p>£7,287</p> <p>-£225</p> <p>£5,945</p> <p>0</p>	<p>Total recommended at this meeting</p> <p>£5945</p>	