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Shifnal and Sheriffhales Local Joint Committee	11
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2012/13 FINANCE REPORT, INCLUDING UPDATE ON FUNDING REQUESTS FOR CONSIDERATION

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1. Summary

This report considers the funding allocated to the Shifnal and Sheriffhales Local Joint Committee (LJC) for the period 1st April 2012 up until 31st March 2013.

A total of £13,007 was devolved to the Committee to fund projects in the local community served by this LJC for the 2012/13 financial year.

The committee originally chose to allocate its funding into two pots:

- a small pot of £2,500 to be used as a community chest for grant applications up to a value of £250.
- A larger pot with the remaining budget of £10,507 for other projects.

Prior to each LJC a planning meeting takes place to discuss applications for funding and make recommendations. Seven valid applications have been received for this reporting period and these were considered at the planning meeting held on 22nd October 2012 and the recommendations arising are included in this report for members to consider at this meeting.

As no applications had been received for the community chest element it was also agreed to add the remaining balance of £2013 to the balance of the larger pot.

Finally as Shifnal Patient's Group had returned £225 of the grant previously awarded to them it was also agreed to add this money to the balance of the larger pot.

The total budget remaining for grants to be considered was determined as £5,945.

2. Recommendations

- That the LJC considers the applications received and awards funding to those organisations and their projects as recommended in Appendix 1 to this report.

- That the LJC notes that funding has been directed at activities that help develop community-based and led projects in the area for the 2012/13 financial year.

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3. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal

In determining these recommendations the LJC has considered reputational risk and the course of action minimises this risk.

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

The proposals under consideration will improve the levels of community based and community driven activity in the LJC area, and in particular in those communities identified by local Councillors as not benefiting previously from LJC support.

4. Financial Implications

The funding devolved to the LJC can be used for a number of different purposes over the year to address local priorities. Funding by the LJC must comply with the general Financial Rules for LJC's and additional criteria agreed by this committee.

5. Background

A total of seven applications have been received for consideration at this meeting.

Details of the individual applications are listed on the attached Appendix 1 to this report. Recommendations are now put forward to the Shifnal and Sheriffhales LJC and are summarised below as follows:

Grants	£
Shifnal Tennis Club – anti slip repainting	408.00
British Red Cross – Shropshire Young Carers	347.55
Shifnal Local History Group – Oral History Project	967.20
The Walled Garden Project – Crafts & Companionships	1000.00
Friendship Centre, Shifnal – travel costs	900.00
Shifnal Bowling Club – replacement mower	1000.00
Sheriffhales Village Hall – supply & fit blinds & curtains	1322.25
 Total recommended at this meeting	 5945.00
Total awarded at July 2012 meeting	7287.00
Total repaid	-225.00
 Total awarded	 13007.00

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 form for the projects listed

Shifnal & Sheriffhales LJC funding guidelines

Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder)

Cllr Gwilym Butler

Local Members

Councillors Gordon Tonkinson and Stuart West

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Summary of Applications