



Committee and date  
StrettonDale Local Joint  
Committee

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Item No

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## StrettonDale LJC grants

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## Summary

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

The Committee has a total budget of £19,216 for the year to fund projects in the local community served by the LJC for the 2011/12 year. **The remaining budget to allocate after the June 2011 meeting is £16,109.00.**

Prior to each LJC, a planning meeting takes place to discuss applications for funding.

9 applications have been received for this reporting period totalling £16,671.70

**Please note, at the June 2011 meeting, the committee decided to set a general principle of a maximum of 60% total project costs, up to a maximum grant of £2500.**

## Recommendations

- A. It is recommended that the applications from those organisations and their projects as detailed in Appendix A to this report are eligible to be awarded funding.
- B. It is recommended that the applications be considered with applicants present to answer any questions from LJC members and members of the public, such questions being subject to the Chair's approval.
- C. It is recommended that no funding applications will be considered at the February meeting as it is anticipated there would be a very limited budget.
- D. If any underspend is remaining, the committee considers carrying funding forward to 2012/13 as ringfenced funds towards 'community celebrations' in light of possible jubilee events etc.

## Report

### Background

The StrettonDale 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 therefore available to StrettonDale LJC is calculated as follows:

StrettonDale LJC allocation	£14,000.00
Arts grant allocation	£976.00
Carry forward from 2010/11	£4,240.00

**TOTAL BUDGET 2011/12            £19,216.00**

1. The Constitution governing Local Joint Committees states :
  - a. Each Local Joint Committee (LJC) has a delegated budget which will be confirmed on annual basis.
  - b. The LJC must use standard guidelines and application forms when granting funding to third parties
  - c. The LJC budgets will be subject to Shropshire Council's audit procedures
2. All projects have been assessed against criteria in the LJC Financial Procedure Notes and guidelines. On that basis all the applications listed in Appendix A are recommended as eligible for approval but that members may wish to consider the level of support they wish to offer and also certain conditions they wish to apply.
3. The committee is also asked to note that the overall budget is based on the total population of the LJC area
4. 9 projects have been submitted totalling £16,671.70, which would attract £97,139.00 of match funding into the area
5. The committee are asked to note that the total amount requested exceeds the remaining budget available for this financial year by £562.70. The overall budget has taken into account a grant withdrawal from Church Stretton Galaxy Football Club

**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**

Not applicable

**Risk Management Appraisal**

All funding applications are assessed against agreed criteria which will minimise any risks associated with these projects

**Community / Consultations Appraisal**

None

**Cabinet Member**

Councillor Gwilym Butler – Portfolio Holder for Community Working and Customer Services

**Local Shropshire Council Members**

Councillor David Evans

Councillor James Gibson

Councillor Cecilia Motley

Councillor Tim Barker

**LJC Parish and Town Councillors**

Councillor Bob Welch

Councillor Lynne Gray

Councillor Mel McFarland

Councillor Alan McVittie

Councillor Andrew Seabury

Councillor Des Jacques

**Co-opted Members**

John Sumer – StrettonDale Area Partnership

Richard Wilson - Acton Scott Parish Meeting

**Appendices**

Appendix A - Applications for consideration 19<sup>th</sup> October 2011 meeting

**APPENDIX A**

**StrettonDale LJC (20) Grant applications for LJC meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2011 – £16,109 remaining to be allocated from the overall budget of £19,216 (£14,000 LJC budget, £976 Arts budget, £4240 Carry forward from last year)**

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Organisation and contact</b>	<b>Summary and potential outcomes</b>	<b>Total cost</b>	<b>Requested</b>	<b>Match funding confirmed</b>
SD 55	Church Stretton Croquet Club (David Morgans)	The group are requesting funds to create a second croquet lawn in the Town Park. This will allow for increased membership for the club and will act as a grass tennis court as well.	£11900	£1000 8% of total cost	76% Cash
SD 56	React Theatre Company (Cathie Woodbury)	Funding is requested towards a south Shropshire community pantomime with the aim of integrating the local community including youth, seniors and people with learning disabilities	£10000	£1125 11% of total cost	5% Cash
SD 57	Strettons Mayfair Trust – Ring and Ride (Alan Wilson)	This project is requesting funds towards the operating costs of the Ring and Ride service which covers the whole LJC area and provides 309 registered users with a local transport solution	£49625	£4000 8%of total cost	58% Cash
SD 58	Silvester Horne Events Group (Mike Walker)	This group is requesting a contribution towards the costs of purchasing an electric grand piano for the SHI. This is based on consultation with residents and users about how to improve the facility after the refurbishment and maximise revenue generation potential	£2500	£1300 52% of total cost	48% Cash
SD 59	All Stretton Village Hall (Jean Huff)	The Hall are requesting funding towards urgent roof repairs which need to be done urgently to avoid further damage and potential loss of revenue	£4782	£2500 52% of Total costs	48% Cash

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SD 60	Christmas Lights / Fayre Committee (Tom Beaumont)	The lights committee are requesting a contribution towards the overall lights and Christmas Fayre annual event in the town which draws in around 1000 people each year.	£5100	£1400 27% of total cost	73% Cash
SD 61	South Shropshire Youth Forum (Rich Morley)	The Youth Forum is requesting funding towards two youth programmes over the coming year focusing on transition from primary to secondary school and around enterprise.	£9128.70	£2500 27% of total cost	50% Cash 5% Volunteer time
SD 62	Church Stretton Town Council (Christine Harvey)	The Town Council is working with Shropshire Council to look into the implementation of a permanent CCTV system for Sandford Avenue / High Street and the Town Park. Both are areas that suffer from crime and antisocial behaviour and a new system would not only be a deterrent, but also be able to be used as evidence.	£20175.20	£2500 12% of total costs	20% Cash
SD 63	Church Stretton Indoor Bowls Club (Tony Crowe)	The indoor bowls club is requesting funding towards a mat handling piece of equipment which will make usage much easier for the older members of the club and enable their equipment to be easily moved around its permanent location in the Silvester Horne Institute	£600	£400 60% of total costs	£100 20% of total costs
		<b>Totals</b>	<b>£113,810.70</b>	<b>£16,671.70*</b>	

**\* - please note the total amount requested exceeds the remaining budget available for this financial by £562.70. The overall budget has taken into account a grant that been withdrawn from Church Stretton Galaxy Football Club.**