



Committee and date

Five Perry Parishes  
Local Joint Committee

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## Local Joint Committee Budget

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## Summary

This report considers the devolved funding allocated to the Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee (LJC) for 2010/11. This is the second funding round in this financial year. Four new applications were received by the deadline, as well as four applications which were deferred from previous meetings. Additionally, a grant of £1,500 awarded to Weston Lullingfields Church last year has been returned to the committee.

## Recommendations

- A.** It is recommended that the Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee allocate funding for the following amounts to the following organisations and their projects:

West Felton Summer Activity Club	£400
Whittington Rugby Club car park resurfacing	£1,500
Ruyton XI Towns Under Bell Tower Project	£2,000
Age Concern Lunch Club Ruyton XI Towns – lunch club outing	£480
Baschurch Village Hall Trust – replacement windows	£2,000
Weston Lullingfields Village Hall Committee – car park drainage and restoration	£2,500

- B.** It is recommended that the Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee does not allocate funding for the following project:

West Felton Parish Council – hearing loop	£2,303
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- C. It is recommended that the Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee defer making a decision on the application from Oswestry Martial Arts Centre for £2,000 towards the installation of changing rooms and showers, pending clarification of some aspects of the application.

## Background

1. Since 1 April 2009 there have been 28 Local Joint Committees to operate across the county. These LJC's are legally constituted decision making committees of Shropshire Council. A total of £28,000 has been devolved to the Five Perry Parishes committee to fund projects in the local community served by the LJC.

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2. The closing date for applications to be considered at the July meeting of the Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee was 30 June 2010.

## New applications received by the deadline

3. The following new applications were received by 30 June 2010, and discussed by the members of the committee at their planning meeting on 8 July.
  - a. **Age Concern Lunch Club – Ruyton XI Towns** - £855 to fund a summer outing to Llandudno, with lunch. The costs are broken down as £480 for coach hire and £500 to fund the lunch. The club proposes to pay £125 from individual contributions.  
**Recommendation:** that a grant of £480 be awarded, to fund the coach hire.
  - b. **Baschurch Village Hall Trust** - £2,000 towards the cost of replacing the windows at the village hall. The total cost of this project is £2,939.76, and the balance of the project will be paid for from existing funds and a fundraising event to be held on 17 July.  
**Recommendation:** that a grant of £2,000 be awarded.
  - c. **Weston Lullingfields Village Hall Committee** - £2,500 for drainage and restoration of the car park. The total cost of this project is £4,629.50, and the balance of the project costs will be met from Village Hall funds.  
**Recommendation:** that a grant of £2,500 be awarded.
  - d. **Oswestry Martial Arts Centre** - £2,000 towards the cost of installing changing rooms and showers. The total cost of this project is estimated at £15,000, and funding for the balance of the costs has not yet been secured.  
**Recommendation:** defer making a decision to the next meeting, so that additional information can be sought from the applicant about how the total

project costs will be funded, and other clarifications about the application can be obtained.

### **Applications deferred from previous meetings**

4. The following applications were received in earlier funding rounds, but had been deferred, pending the receipt of further information.

a. **West Felton Summer Activity Club** - £1,450 to support the running of an activity club for children during the summer holidays. This grant would pay for ballet tutors, dance tutors and the hire of a Portaloo. The original application was for £2,600, to include the hire of the village hall and sports field, and to pay for a sports tutor. The organiser is now planning to apply to the Friends of the School for some of this funding, and some sports coaching is now being provided by the local P.C.

**Recommendation:** that a grant of £400 be awarded to fund the cost of a dance tutor.

b. **Whittington Rugby Club car park resurfacing** - £1,500 towards the cost of resurfacing the club car park. The total cost of this project is £7,260 (plus VAT) and the club is applying to the Oswestry LJC and the RFU for some of the funding. The club is also committing £1,260 from club funds.

**Recommendation:** that a grant of £1,500 is awarded.

c. **Ruyton XI Towns – St John the Baptist Church Under Bell Tower Project** - £2,000 towards raising the ringing chamber, providing toilet and kitchen facilities. The total cost of this project is £25,000, and the church has raised £12,000 already. They have also applied to other funding bodies for the remaining £11,000.

**Recommendation:** that a grant of £2,000 is awarded.

d. **West Felton Parish Council - £2,303** for the purchase of a portable hearing loop, for use at parish council meetings, and to be available to other parish councils in the area. It is not clear from the application that there is a wider need for this facility in the area. It has also not been made clear who will take responsibility for the storage, maintenance and insurance of the equipment, or how it would be accessed by others who might want to use it.

**Recommendation:** that the LJC does not award a grant to West Felton Parish Council for this purpose.

### **Deadline for applications for the next round of funding**

9. Applications received by **30 September 2010** will be reviewed for eligibility and a formal decision on which applications to fund will be taken at the next LJC Meeting on **19 October 2010**.

**List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)**

**Human Rights Act Appraisal**

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

**Environmental Appraisal**

Environmental appraisals will be carried out as necessary

**Risk Management Appraisal**

The Council needs to address the risk of legal challenge to decisions through procedural or other errors. This has been carefully assessed.

**Community / Consultations Appraisal**

**Cabinet Member:** Gwylim Butler

**Local Members:** Aggie Caesar-Homden, Steve Charmley

**Appendix**