



Committee and Date

The Severn Loop LJC 27.

Wednesday 23.10.13 7pm

at the Guildhall, Frankwell,
Shrewsbury. SY3 8HQ

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FUNDING REQUESTS TO THE SEVERN LOOP LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE

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1. Summary

- 1.1 This report considers the devolved funding allocated to the Severn Loop Local Joint Committee (LJC) for the period 1st April 2013 up until 31st March 2014.

A total of £18,226 remains to fund projects in the local community served by the LJC for the 2013/14 financial year. This report considers three applications.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To consider the funding applications received and agree levels of support in accordance with the funding guidelines previously agreed, and the delegated powers approved by Council on 23rd June 2011.

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3. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal

- 3.1 In determining these recommendations the LJC has considered reputational risk and the course of action proposed minimises this risk.
- 3.2 The recommendations contained in this report are compatible with the provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998.

3.3 The proposals under consideration will improve the levels of community based and community driven activity in the LJC area. Comments made in this report include those received as a result of consulting with stakeholders including Shrewsbury Town Council, Destination Shrewsbury, and Shropshire Council Arts Officers.

4. Financial Implications

4.1 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.

5. Additional Information

5.1 To date 3 applications for funding have been received for this meeting.

5.2 A summary of applications received is provided below. Further details are contained at Appendix A to this report.

	Project	Total project cost £	Amount requested £
A.	Coton Hill Allotments.	1022.20	700
B.	Shropshire Agricultural Society	3500	2000
C.	Shop in the Loop	2500	1320
Total		6600	3920

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

3 x LJC applications as detailed in Appendix A of this report

Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder)

Gwilym Butler

Local Members. Shropshire Council; Anne Chebsey, Andrew Bannerman, Mansel Williams. Shrewsbury Town Council; Alan Townsend.

Appendices

Appendix A – Project application details

APPENDIX A

A. Coton Hill Allotments

Project Detail

Transition Towns Shrewsbury in Conjunction with the Coton Community Allotment Association has developed the successful and popular allotment site in Corporation Lane. They now wish to take the project forward and wish to develop the below activities.

The site is some distant from members' homes so they wish to purchase the materials and build a composting toilet for themselves.

Grass cutting is currently undertaken by members utilising their own strimmers so the group wish to purchase scythes so that all members have access to sustainable grass cutting equipment.

Members wish to purchase materials to build nesting boxes and other wildlife habitat.

TOTAL PROJECT COST £1022.2

AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM LJC £700

Officer comments

The members will be doing all of the work themselves and only wish support to buy the materials. This is a well organised and managed group and I would suggest approval of £700.

B. Shropshire Agricultural Society

The Society has worked hard to reduce its debts and develop a full and varied programme of activities throughout the year in its efforts to make itself self-sustaining and profitable. They have a full calendar of events for 2014 and wish to develop their offer to visitors to the Town. Through their own volunteer's efforts and local sponsorship they have improved the facilities for the sight. This application is to assist to provide 40 electrical hook up points on the sight for touring caravans and campers so that the facilities can be enjoyed throughout the year by visitors.

AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM THE LJC £2000

The local area will benefit from this project which will provide greater opportunities for visitors to stay close to the Town and for the Show Ground to raise funds throughout the year. This is a worthwhile application. Suggest approval of £2000

Project detail

This application is to assist Shop in the Loop to arrange activities in the Town on Wednesday 20.11.13 including a children's lantern parade to recognise the switching on of the Christmas lights. Carols and music will be provided throughout the Town Centre,

AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM THE LJC £1320

This is a well-run and organised local event to support the Town Centre economy and commence the period of late night shopping. Suggest approval of £1320

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