



Committee and Date

Whitchurch & Prees Local
Joint Committee

25 June 2013

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**2013/14 WHITCHURCH & PREES LJC BUDGET REPORT AND FUNDING
REQUESTS FOR CONSIDERATION**

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1. Summary

This report considers the devolved funding allocated to Whitchurch and Prees Local Joint Committee (LJC) for the period 1 April 2013 up until 31 March 2014.

A total of £25,817.00 was devolved to this Committee to fund projects in the local community served by this LJC for the 2013/14 financial year.

Prior to each LJC, an agenda planning meeting takes place within which applications for funding are discussed and provisional recommendations are made. Seven applications have been received for this reporting period and six of these applications were considered at the agenda planning meeting held on Thursday 23 May 2013. Application D – Calverhall Tennis Club – was not considered at the agenda planning meeting, due to a revised application being submitted after the date. The recommendations from the planning meeting feature in this report at Appendix A and are put forward to the LJC for final decision on 25 June 2013.

2. Recommendations

- That the LJC considers the applications received and awards funding to those organisations and their projects as recommended in this report.
- That the Whitchurch & Prees LJC ratifies the decision to fund Application E – seed funding for Whitchurch Party in the Park and match funding for Big Reds Big Picture - using delegated powers.
- That the Committee make a decision on a revised funding application (D) from Calverhall Tennis Club, submitted after the agenda planning meeting.

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3. Background

Whitchurch & Prees LJC is responsible for the award and expenditure of a devolved budget. The total amount available to the LJC in 2013/14 is £25,817.00.

4. Finance

The total amount available to Whitchurch & Prees LJC is calculated as follows:

Total LJC electorate as at August 2010:	14,087
	£
Budget based on electorate	23,500
Plus apportioned allocation of community arts budget	1,970
Plus carry forward for under spend	347
TOTAL budget for 2012/13	£25,817

Applications for funding to be considered at the Whitchurch & Prees Local Joint Committee meeting on 25 June 2013, were discussed at the LJC agenda planning meeting on 23 May 2013. Provisional recommendations totalling £ **£10,892.50** are now put forward to the Whitchurch & Prees LJC for consideration. These are as follows:

Summary of Applications Received		Amount Requested
Ref	Project Name	£
A	Christmas Lights Switch-On – Whitchurch Chamber of Trade	1,480.00
B	Bargates Hall Refurbishment – St Alkmund’s Church PCC	2,000.00
C	Holiday Activities – Shropshire Playbus	1,500.00
D	Calverhall Recreation Area – Calverhall Tennis Club	1,050.00
F	Upgrade of Floodlights – Whitchurch Rugby & Hockey Club	2,000.00
G	Consultant Fees for Phase 2 of Civic Centre Refurbishment – Whitchurch Town Council	2,000.00
TOTAL		£10,030.00

An application was received from Whitchurch Party in the Park organising group, the event was being held before the LJC and needed the funding urgently. Whitchurch & Prees Local Joint Committee members agreed to provide this funding before the LJC meeting using delegated powers. Committee members are requested to ratify the decision at the LJC meeting on 25 June 2013.

Summary of Application Agreed Using Delegated Powers		Amount Requested
Ref	Project Name	£
E	Party in the Park 2013 – Whitchurch Party in the Park	862.50
Total Funding requested 2013/14 Round 1		£10,030.00
TOTAL		£10,892.50

Please see Appendix A to this report for further details of each project and the amounts provisionally recommended for approval by the Committee, which will be discussed at the meeting.

2013/14 Budget	£25,817.00
2013/14 Round 1 – 25 June 2013	-£10,892.50
Balance to carry forward to Round 2	£14,924.50

5. Future Funding

It was agreed by the Whitchurch & Prees Local Joint Committee that applications for funding, up to a maximum of £2,000 would be considered by the Committee, apart from when an application takes into account exceptional circumstances.

For more information about applying for an LJC grant and to get an application form, contact Nicki Young, Community Action Officer on 01939 237429 or via e-mail at nicki.young@shropshire.gov.uk

Closing date for the next LJC funding round is Friday 6th September 2013.

The next Whitchurch & Prees LJC meeting will be held on Thursday 17th October in Sir John Talbot’s School, Tilstock Road, Whitchurch.

Please see www.shropshireljcs.com for more information.

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.

Amendment to LJC Constitution Report to Full Council dated 23rd June 2011.

Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder)

Councillor Gwilym Butler

Local Members

Councillor Gerald Dakin

Councillor Peggy Mullock

Councillor Thomas Biggins

Councillor Paul Wynn

Appendices

A. Applications/Projects Applied for Funding to Whitchurch & Prees LJC 181012