



Committee and Date

Whitchurch & Prees Local
Joint Committee

27 February 2014

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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. Nine applications have been received for this reporting period and all of these applications were considered at the agenda planning meeting held on Wednesday 29 January 2014, one was approved using delegated powers. The recommendations from the planning meeting feature in this report at Appendix A and are put forward to the LJC for final decision on 27 February 2014.

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 & Surrounding Area LJC ratifies the decision to fund Application N – Christmas Lantern Parade, Blackberry Fair - using delegated powers.
- That the Committee to agree to fund 86.5% of each application due to oversubscription.

- That the LJC agree to allocate the remaining sum of £54.57 to Whitchurch Senior Citizens Club because they have not submitted a funding application in any previous rounds.

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3. Background

Whitchurch & Surrounding Area 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 & Surrounding Area Local Joint Committee meeting on 27th February 2014, were discussed at the LJC agenda planning meeting on 29th January 2014. Provisional recommendations totalling **£10,892.40** are now put forward to the Whitchurch & Surrounding Area LJC for consideration. These are as follows:

Summary of Applications Received		Amount Requested
Ref	Project Name	£
O	Whitchurch Town Council – Purchase of new kitchen equipment	2,000.00
P	Brownlow Community Centre – External Lighting Upgrade	1,390.88
Q	Friends of Whitchurch Heritage – Edward German Music Festival	2,000.00
R	WRACT – Safeguarding Whitchurch's Heritage	2,000.00
S	N S Wheelers Ltd – Vehicle purchase and maintenance	2,000.00
T	Sir John Talbot's School – new sports equipment	1,400.00
U	Whitchurch Senior Citizens Club – Replacement chairs	698.00
V	Tilstock Bowling & Tennis Club – Purchase new chairs	1,040.40
TOTAL		£12,529.28

An application was received from Blackberry Fair CIC, for an event to be held before the next LJC meeting that needed funding urgently. Whitchurch & Surrounding Area Local Joint Committee members agreed to provide funding of £319.10 under delegated powers for the Christmas Lantern Parade. Members are requested to ratify this decision at their next formal meeting on 27 February 2014:

Summary of Application Agreed Using Delegated Powers		Amount Requested
Ref	Project Name	£
M	Blackberry Fair CIC – Christmas Lantern Parade	319.10
Total Funding requested in this round		£12,529.28
TOTAL		£12,848.38

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	-£8,892.50
2013/14 Round 2 – 17 October 2013	-£6,243.00
2012/13 Round 3 – Application O unclaimed – Prees Cricket & Recreation Club	+£530.00
Balance carry forward to Round 3	£11,211.50
App N – agreed using delegated powers	-£319.10
Total Budget remaining	£10,892.40

5. Future Meetings

2014/15 Whitchurch & Surrounding Area LJC meetings will be held on:

Wednesday 18th June 2014 in Ash Village Hall

Wednesday 15th October 2014 in Fauls Green Church Hall

Wednesday 11th February 2015 in Whitchurch Civic Centre

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 171013