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UPDATE – Local Youth Commissioning

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1. Summary

Following a period of public and stakeholder consultation, the commissioning model for youth activities was developed.

A funding mechanism for youth activities to respond to specific areas of unmet need in LJC areas was developed and Much Wenlock and Shipton LJC area was allocated £3,000 linked to its rural make-up.

Broseley did not receive any funding and it was agreed that Much Wenlock LJC share its funding allocation with Broseley LJC to benefit all of the appropriate young people living within the LJC areas.

A working group was set up and it was agreed to use the funding of £3,000 to provide a small grants scheme to support youth activities in both LJC areas for those aged 10-19 years or up to 24 years for those with learning difficulties.

2. Feedback

Following two calls for applications to the small grants scheme, two applications were received and approved by members as follows:

Broseley Youth Partnership – £1500.00

Background

Broseley Youth Partnership is a forum through which organisations working with and for children and young people in the parish of Broseley, co-operate to lobby for the best interests of their members and workers, promote the sharing of good practice and the sharing of equipment and other resources and work together to arrange festivals and other special events.

One of its aims is to ascertain the needs of young people in the Broseley area and to prioritise such needs, and identify the means by which they can be met and the outcomes required.

Project

Over the next 12 months, Broseley Youth Partnership will endeavour to:

Make sure that all families in Broseley get to find out what is going on in the Town and surrounding parishes for young people.

Have an “information stand” to promote BYP- what its aims are and to publicise the opportunities in the town for young people.

Make Broseley youth day an even bigger and better event by involving young people in the planning of the day and giving them more opportunities to be involved in the day.

Work locally to ensure that the Birchmeadow park is a safe place for children to play.

Work in partnership with the Victoria Hall Management Committee in developing a new youth club.

Progress

Following the closure of Broseley Youth Club in July 2015, Broseley Youth Partnership have commissioned Shropshire Youth Association (SYA) to provide youth club sessions. Sessions restarted in November 2015 and the Partnership is working closely with SYA and the Youth Club to ensure the sustainability of the club.

Much Wenlock Festival - £1500.00

Background

Much Wenlock Festival is a biennial festival of art, music, drama, dance and entertainment for all the family. It has been running since 1984.

The aims are the advancement of arts and creative activities and in 2016 the inclusion of local primary and secondary schools and local youth groups is a priority in order to give young people the opportunity to be involved in the creation of artistic ideas and participate in artistic development.

Project

Much Wenlock Primary School – Scarecrow Competition

There will be a scarecrow trail around the town. The Head of Much Wenlock Primary School is including the event as part of the school curriculum. The children will design a scarecrow to represent a business in town and display the scarecrow with the business– tying up the link between town and the school.

William Brookes School Performance of Song, Music, Dance and Theatre

William Brookes Academy Showcase of Talent – young performers will showcase dance, music, song and theatre. They will devise a program for the show. They will rehearse under the direction of qualified teachers. They will perform their show in the Festival Marquee on Church Green Much Wenlock during the Festival.

Performance Evening for young local Dance groups

A dance teacher from William Brookes Academy will be bring together local young dance groups to perform at the Festival. The groups will design and rehearse for this event. They will then perform in the Festival Marquee.

Key Academy (Youngsters) Performing Songs from West End Shows