

WELL BEING FUND APPLICATIONS

The following projects were received as grant applications.

Name of Project: Beeston Old Library Youth Group

Name of group or organisation: Youth Service

Total Project Cost: £10,285

Amount proposed from well-being: £1,800

Amount proposed to be spent in 2009/10: £1,800

Ward(s) covered: Beeston and Holbeck

Summary of project: This project is to establish a youth session, one evening per week, 6.00 – 9.00 p.m at the former Beeston library - now Beeston Village Community Centre, aimed particularly at young people aged 13 – 19 years. The project will work with young people on issues around anti-social behaviour, gang crime, community cohesion, weapons awareness and engage them in positive activity that will enable them to achieve accreditations. Provided that funding is obtained, the sessions are planned to run from 1st July 2009 to 31st March 2010. This application is to pay hire charges at the centre for 3 hours a week for 40 weeks.

Area Delivery Plan themes and action plan priorities: This project specifically contributes towards the Area Delivery Plan themes of:

- Thriving communities, particularly the improvement priority of 'reduce anti-social behaviour
- Harmonious communities, particularly the improvement priorities of 'An increased number of local people engaged in activities to meet community needs and improve the quality of life for local residents' and 'An increased sense of belonging and pride in local neighbourhoods that help to build cohesive communities'.

Comment: The Youth Service will be contributing £5,485 in staff costs (3 staff) towards running the sessions and are applying to Positive Activities for Young People for £3,000 funding for activity costs.

Recommend: Take into consideration the project proposal, and the funding available in the well-being budget for 2009/10.

Name of Project: Additional gardens

Name of group or organisation: Middleton Elderly Aid

Total Project Cost: £3,910

Amount proposed from well-being: £3,910

Amount proposed to be spent in 2009/10: £3,910

Ward(s) covered: Middleton Park

Summary of project: Middleton Elderly Aid (MEA) provides a 'basic' garden maintenance service for older people who cannot maintain their gardens themselves. The service covers hedge trimming, grass cutting, general weeding and cutting back of bushes and branches. The service covers most of the Middleton area of Middleton Park Ward and residents are charged an hourly rate for two gardeners. There is more demand for a gardening service than can be met within current capacity. The funding applied for would enable MEA to employ an additional 2 labourers and an additional gardener on a part time basis for 4 months and this would enable them to bring in an additional 25 gardens into the scheme that would receive three visits during July to September.

Area Delivery Plan themes and action plan priorities: This project specifically contributes towards the Area Delivery Plan themes of:

- Health and wellbeing, particularly the action to 'Explore development of Gardening Scheme for Inner South Leeds to primarily benefit elderly people
- Environment, particularly the strategic outcome of 'Cleaner, greener and more attractive city through effective environmental management and changed behaviours.'

Comment: The gardening scheme was supported with well-being funding in 2008/09. Middleton Elderly Aid is purchasing some gardening equipment (lawnmower, strimmer, hedge trimmer) with funding raised from plant sales.

Recommend: Take into consideration the project proposal, and the funding available in the well-being budget for 2009/10.

Name of Project: Belle Isle Garden Scheme

Name of group or organisation: Belle Isle Elderly Winter Aid

Total Project Cost: £2,125

Amount proposed from well-being: £2,125

Amount proposed to be spent in 2009/10: £2,125

Ward(s) covered: Middleton Park

Summary of project: Belle Isle Elderly Winter Aid provides a 'basic' garden maintenance service for older people who cannot maintain their gardens themselves. The service covers the Belle Isle area of Middleton Park Ward. The funding applied for would enable the service to bring in 15 -20 people into the scheme by offering a subsidy for initial clearance work for overgrown gardens which could then be brought into the regular garden maintenance scheme. In addition funding would be used to fund 5 hours a week of the Service Support Worker who visits new clients for the garden service, assesses work to be done, deals with any issues, prepares work sheets for the gardens and from this year will collect garden fees in advance (from those clients who want this) so that residents do not have to pay money to gardeners on their door step.

Area Delivery Plan themes and action plan priorities: This project specifically contributes towards the Area Delivery Plan themes of:

- Health and wellbeing, particularly the action to 'Explore development of Gardening Scheme for Inner South Leeds to primarily benefit elderly people
- Environment, particularly the strategic outcome of 'Cleaner, greener and more attractive city through effective environmental management and changed behaviours.'

Comment: The gardening scheme was supported with well-being funding in 2008/09.

Recommend: Take into consideration the project proposal, and the funding available in the well-being budget for 2009/10.

Name of Project: Middleton Regeneration Partnership

Name of group or organisation: re'new

Total Project Cost: £10,850

Amount proposed from well-being: £8,000

Amount proposed to be spent in 2009/10: £8,000

Ward(s) covered: Middleton Park

Summary of project: This proposal is for funding to support further development work of the Middleton Regeneration Partnership during 2009/10 including raising awareness and promoting engagement within Middleton of progress being made. This includes:

- Development and updating of dedicated website to showcase activities and success in Middleton including as links to other useful information e.g. after school clubs, summer holiday activities.
- Consultation events/fun days/galas
- Community calendar to be produced for 2010
- Production and distribution of a newsletter
- Production of billboard posters/street publicity
- 1 study tour for the Regeneration Partnership Board including training, travel and refreshment costs.

Area Delivery Plan themes and action plan priorities: This project specifically contributes towards the Area Delivery Plan themes of:

- Harmonious communities: 'An increase in the number of local people that are empowered to have a greater voice and influence over local decision making and a greater role in public service delivery,' and 'An increased number of local people engaged in activities to meet community needs and improve the quality of life for local residents.'

Comment: Applications have been made to re'new and to Aire Valley Homes to cover part of the costs of this project. Decisions are expected in July. In addition, £5,000 has been requested from the carry forward of unspent SSCF funds from 08/09, subject to confirmation of the carry forward. Members are requested to consider seeking further information in relation to the study tour in terms of the purpose of this.

Recommend: Take into consideration the project proposal, the funding available in the well-being budget for 2009/10 and the levels of expected match-funding.

Name of Project: Friday Night Project - South Leeds

Name of group or organisation: Out of School Activities Team

Total Project Cost: £8,650

Amount proposed from well-being: £3,000

Amount proposed to be spent in 2009/10: £3,000

Ward(s) covered: Beeston & Holbeck and City & Hunslet

Name of Project: Friday Night Project – Middleton

Name of group or organisation: Out of School Activities

Total Project Cost: £8,108

Amount proposed from well-being: £3,000

Amount proposed to be spent in 2009/10: £3,000

Ward(s) covered: Middleton Park

Summary of projects: This proposal is for funding to continue the Friday Night Project (FNP) which provides a diverse range of sports and creative activities for young people in Inner South Leeds on Friday evenings at the South Leeds Sports Centre and at the Middleton Leisure Centre. There is a junior session for 8 – 13 years and a senior session for 12 – 19 years. The funding, if approved by Members, would be to contribute to staff costs for the FNP at the South Leeds Sports Centre and to meet part of the costs of hiring the facilities at the Middleton Leisure Centre. As well as increasing youth provision, the project also aims to reduce anti social behaviour and encourages young people to be active

and healthy. Young people are also signposted to appropriate support services. Young people pay £1 to attend each week.

Up to 130 young people attend the FNP at the South Leeds Sports Centre and up to 80 young people attend the Middleton FNP. The partners running the project hope to increase these numbers by working closely with the youth service and detached youth work teams who will be going out at the same time as the senior sessions and promoting the Friday Night Project to young people.

The agencies that provide staff including 'in kind' contributions include the Sports Centre, Leisure Centre, LCC's Youth Service, Out of School Activities Team, The Cupboard and St. Luke's Cares NACRO, Leeds Federation Housing Association, and Health For All (Leeds).

Area Delivery Plan themes and action plan priorities: This project specifically contributes towards the Area Delivery Plan themes of:

- Culture: Enable more people to become involved in sport and culture by providing better quality and wider ranging activities and facilities
- Health and Well being: Reduced health inequalities through the promotion of healthy life choices and improved access to services
- Thriving communities: Reduce anti-social behaviour
- Harmonious communities: Provide a broad range of activities by all organisations identify gaps in provision.

Comment: The Area Committee has contributed funding for the Friday Night Project at the South Leeds Sports Centre in 2008/9.

Recommend: Take into consideration the project proposal, and the funding available in the well-being budget for 2009/10.

Name of Project: Operation CASAC 2009

Name of group or organisation: West Yorkshire Police

Total Project Cost: £5,000

Amount proposed from well-being: £5,000

Amount proposed to be spent in 2009/10: £5,000

Ward(s) covered: Beeston & Holbeck and City & Hunslet

Summary of project: This proposal is for funding to provide security target hardening for up to 50 vulnerable victims of domestic burglary in hot spot areas in Beeston & Holbeck and City & Hunslet Wards. The funding would enable the Holbeck Neighbourhood Policing Team to refer suitable burglary victims free referral for target hardening following reassurance visits. The aim is to reduce the number of repeat burglary victims. The target hardening would include improved door locks, reinforcement bars, door chains, spy holes and window locks.

Area Delivery Plan themes and action plan priorities: This project supports the Thriving Communities theme, particularly the improvement priority 'Reduce crime and fear of crime'.

Comment: This project was received as a grant application, however if Members agree the commissioning approach and earmarking of funds to the Thriving Places theme of the ADP (as set out in the cover report) it is proposed that this project is funded from this pot managed by the Community Safety Coordinator through the burglary sub-group.

Recommend: take into consideration the project proposal, and the funding available in the well-being budget for 2008/09 and anticipated budget for 2009/10.

Summary of capital proposals

Name of Project: Leasowe Alleygating Scheme

Name of group or organisation: Safer Leeds

Total Project Cost: £5,539 (Capital) and £110 (revenue)

Amount proposed from well-being: £5,539

(Capital) and £110 (revenue) **Amount proposed to be spent in 2009/10:** £5,539 (Capital) and £110 (revenue)

Ward(s) covered: City and Hunslet

Summary of project: This proposal is to provide alleygates and additional fencing to secure access to the footpath between Leasowe Garth and Leasowe Close. The proposed alleygating is one of a number of measures taken to tackle the persistent anti-social behaviour in the area with action being taken by the West Yorkshire Police, Aire Valley Homes and the Anti Social Behaviour Unit. Residents in 38 properties have been consulted about the alleygating proposal and of the 23 responses, 21 have been in favour with 2 opposed.

The capital costs include the costs of providing and fixing the alleygates and new external letterboxes. (The houses face on the path to be alleygated and therefore new letterboxes will be provided for the rear of the houses which face on to Leasowe Road which is the main road.) Residents will be provided with 2 keys for the alleygates. Revenue costs of £110 are included; this is to allow 1 annual maintenance visit and two repair callouts.

Area Delivery Plan themes and action plan priorities: This project supports the Thriving Communities theme, particularly the action to 'Through Neighbourhood Tasking, identify and deploy suitable situational crime prevention measures in key locations using a targeted approach'

Comment: Additional policing patrols have been carried out in the area funded by Aire Valley Homes and the Area Committee. Planning permission and a gating order are being sought for this project.

Recommend: Take into consideration the project proposal and the funding available in the well-being budget for 2009/10.

Name of Project: Old Cockburn Centre Renovation Project

Name of group or organisation: Joseph Priestley College

Total Project Cost: £9,200

Amount proposed from well-being: £4,350

Amount proposed to be spent in 2009/10: £4,350

Ward(s) covered: City and Hunslet

Summary of project: This proposal is to help renovate and enhance the grounds around the Old Cockburn Centre (Primrose Lane). The work includes clearing the site, repairing existing hard landscape features including pergola, repaving old shed base, creating a new seating area, create a wild life area and plant flower beds, rockery and vegetable plots. The grounds will be accessible to and used by members of the local community College staff and learners.

The funding applied for is for capital costs of materials. The work will be carried out by Joseph Priestley College horticulture students, SiLC learners and Foundation Studies students, and young offenders.

Area Delivery Plan themes and action plan priorities: This project supports the:

- Learning theme, particularly the strategic outcome of 'Enhance skills of the current and future workforce through fulfilling individual and economic potential and investing in learning facilities
- Environment theme, particularly the improvement priority to address neighbourhood problem sites
- Stronger communities theme, particularly the improvement priority of 'An increased sense of belonging and pride in local neighbourhoods that help to build cohesive communities.

Comment: The college is also applying for £2,850 from Biff award to cover the full costs of the initial renovation and support ongoing maintenance.

Recommend: Take into consideration the project proposal, and the funding available in the well-being budget for 2009/10.

Name of Project: Bright Ideas – CCTV for Middleton Circus

Name of group or organisation: West Yorkshire Police

Total Project Cost: £22,000 (capital) and £25,000 (revenue – over five years)

Amount proposed from well-being: £9,000 (capital) and £25,000 (revenue)

Amount proposed to be spent in 2009/10: £9,000 (capital) and £5,000 (revenue)

Ward(s) covered: Middleton Park

Summary of project: This proposal is to install a CCTV camera at Middleton Circus. The aim is to tackle anti-social behaviour, vandalism, tackle drugs and alcohol abuse and reduce crime and the fear of crime. The intelligence gained will enable better directed policing of the area. Reducing the fear of crime should lead to the increased use of local facilities and shops.

The funding applied for is a contribution to the capital costs of installing the CCTV and to pay for all the revenue costs for five years.

Area Delivery Plan themes and action plan priorities: This project supports the:

- Thriving communities theme, particularly the improvement priority 'Reduce crime and fear of crime'.
- Environment theme, particularly the improvement priority to address neighbourhood problem sites
- Stronger communities theme, particularly the improvement priority of 'An increased sense of belonging and pride in local neighbourhoods that help to build cohesive communities.'

Comment: The balance of the capital funding comes from Middleton Bright Ideas (£10,000) and is subject to resident support for this project at Decision Day on 11th July 2009. In addition there is an application to Aire Valley Homes for capital funding. Members are also requested to consider the use of mobile CCTV units deployed in conjunction with the police and LCC Community Safety CCTV Management. Members should note that this project, if approved, requires the in principle commitment of revenue funding of £5,000 a year for five years.

Recommend: Take into consideration the project proposal, and the funding available in the well-being budget for 2009/10.