

Area Committee Well-being Fund – Expression of Interest

Project Name: Cow Close Community Corner

Lead Organisation: Armley Junior Project 4 Young People

Project Summary (please include a brief description of the main activities and why this project is needed):

The funding will be used to pay for 3 months fully inclusive salary costs for a Centre Manager and Trainee Development worker at the Cow Close Community Corner.

The over all aim of the project is to turn the recently closed library building in to a community resource called the Cow Close Community Corner. The centre will offer debt management advice, training, housing support, job search & skills, computer workshops, a bookcase library service and a meeting place for the local community.

The Centre Manager will be responsible for running and managing the centre, and training the Development Worker. They will work together with the community to turn the centre in to a community focal point and over time will recruit a volunteer team. Initially the posts will be for 5 half days. As the centre becomes more utilised the post will change to 5 full days.

The group have undertaken a consultation with the local community to incorporate the views of the local users in the vision for the centre and to ensure the services offered meet the needs of the community.

Outcomes (please summarise the main outcome/output/benefit the project will achieve):

- Providing training and volunteering opportunities to the community
- Providing opportunities for the community to be involved in a wide range of social, cultural and educational activities for all ages
- Utilising local skills and knowledge to enhance a community resource

Project Cost (please indicate how much the project will cost, how much Well-being funding is sought and the breakdown between capital and revenue):

Please note, the salary costs are for 3 months only

Centre Manager (annual cost £11,153) - £ 2788.25

Trainee Development Worker (annual costs £7619) - £1904.75

Voluntary Action Leeds Payroll admin and Year end returns fess - £200

Total revenue funding requested: £4893

Additional secured funding:

Farnley Wortley Community First Panel - £2,500

Environment and Neighbourhoods Dec 2012 - £5,000

Funding still pending:

Awards for all Dec 2012 £10,000

West North West Homes Area Panel Dec 2012 - £8,000

The group intent to apply for additional funding from the Area Committee from the 2013/2014 Wellbeing budget.

Identify which geographic areas will benefit and which Area Committee you are applying to:

Area Committee - Outer West Management Committee
Wards – Farnley and Wortley