

Area Committee Well-being Fund – Project Proposal
Inner West Area Committee

Appendix 7

Project Name: Community Development Worker/Centre Manager for New Wortley Community Centre. September 2009 – January 2010

Lead Organisation: New Wortley Community Association, 40 Tong Road

Project Delivery - How will the project be delivered? (list any partners involved in the project):

The project will be delivered by the New Wortley Community Association

Project Summary (include a brief description of the main activities, why the project is needed and links to key priorities):

To continue the employment of a Community Development Worker/Centre Manager for New Wortley Community Centre to ensure the development of services and programmes of activities and to manage the daily operation of the centre for agencies and service users.

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

Community Development Worker/ Centre Manager

To secure the continuation of a community facility providing a Community Café and After School Club and other services to a community in the bottom 10% of neighbourhoods in the country.

The continuation of this post will secure the continued use and availability of the centre and current services (particularly the After School Club (ASC) and the Community Café) for use by local people and agencies, together with the development of additional programmes of activity and services to meet the needs of the local community.

Over the past year NWCC has been successful in continuing to operate without the support of large scale grant funding with the exception of the Centre Manager's salary which has been funded by Inner West Area Committee. The Community Café is thriving and supports the salaries of the Chef and two Kitchen Assistants plus also contributing to the main utility costs of the centre. Through increased use of the centre by paying customers and services and the continued success of the café the centre is slowly moving towards sustainability.

Current activities delivered include:

Residents meetings, ward member surgeries, West Leeds Gateway Regeneration consultation meetings, Job shop, Volunteer Project, Gardening project. Base for Operation Champion in July 2008. New Opportunity days delivered by Learning Partnerships.

Future Activities

To continue to work with key partners and local people to plan, develop and deliver high quality neighbourhood management services for the local community and enable local people community groups and organisations to build their capacity, confidence and skills training.

To ensure the smooth running of the centre and development of projects with the New Wortley Community Association, key partners and local organisations.

To recruit, support and develop training for volunteers.

To support the further development of the Community Café and After School Club which are already moving towards social enterprise status.

To provide complimentary activities to those provided by the new Children's Centre at Castleton Primary School.

New Wortley Community Centre has recently formed part of the Community Centre Consortium for Inner West Leeds (other centres include Wyther Community House, Fairfield, Moorside Community Centre and the Heights, which is seeking funding via a Tudor Trust application to be made later in 2008).

Project Cost. Please indicate How much the project will cost? (List all partners and their contributions)

£10,000 total cost until January 2010.

An application for £5,000 has been submitted to the ALMO Area Panel which will make a decision on 22nd June.

Longer term funding is being sought through a Community Centre Consortia bid.

Identify which geographic areas will benefit:

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How much Well Being Funding is sought and breakdown between capital and revenue)

£5,000 revenue

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Not Approved

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