

Wednesday 19th March 2014 6pm – Inner South Area Committee

Late information for Agenda Item 9 - Inner South Area Committee Wellbeing Budget Report

Approval of revenue projects:

4.12 **Project Title:** Hunslet Festival

Name of Group or Organisation: Hunslet Festival Committee

Total Project Cost: £3,865

Amount proposed from Wellbeing Budget 2013/14: £1,000

Wards covered: City & Hunslet

Project Summary: The aim of this project is to run the Hunslet Festival on 21st June 2014 which will provide a range of stalls providing information about products and services and community organisations, and entertainment for local residents including arena acts delivered by young people. The event is organised by and for local people. Funding is sought particularly to contribute to the logistics costs of running the festivals including the costs of hiring the school, chairs, toilets, promotional costs, health and safety equipment.

Area Committee Business Plan Priority:

This proposal supports the priority 'Residents in inner South have access to opportunities to become involved in sport and culture'

4.13 **Project Title:** SLATE Van

Name of Group or Organisation: SLATE Furniture Store

Total Project Cost: £23,500.00

Amount proposed from Wellbeing Budget 2013/14: £9,000

Wards covered: City & Hunslet

Project Summary: SLATE Furniture Store is a social enterprise that collects people's unwanted but still usable furniture, white goods and other household items which are then sold at affordable prices to those who need them.

SLATE provides work and volunteering opportunities for people with learning difficulties or physical disabilities. Operations are reliant on having a reliable and appropriate van for collecting quality donated furniture and delivering sold items to customers. Nearly half of their collections are from Inner South with two thirds of their sales to people living in the Inner South.

Currently their existing van is running six days per week, however it is on average off the road for repairs for about half a day a month; this unreliability is increasing which disrupts deliveries and collections and means SLATE is also facing increased costs of repairs as their existing van ages and SLATE has to pay to hire a van and driver.

SLATE therefore proposes to purchase a newer van to:

- Ensure that they can keep to a reliable schedule of delivery and collections
- Save on annual repair costs and additional costs of hiring a van and driver
- Increase their operations to seven days a week and additional evenings.

- Allow for an increase in collection and delivery of 33% more furniture (as they propose to expand their existing shop)

The cost of a 2013 ex demonstration van is £23,500 (excluding VAT). SLATE propose to part exchange their existing van and contribute £2,300 towards the costs of this purchase. SLATE is requesting wellbeing funding of £18,000 to cover this funding gap. However, it is proposed that the application is supported with **£9,000 in funding (£3,000 from each Ward)**. If Members agree to this proposal it would be in principle only and subject to the following condition: that SLATE submit a business plan showing how they can trade to generate sufficient resources to ensure that they can purchase future vehicles without funding from the Area Committee for this purpose. The funding would be on the proviso that £9,000 wellbeing funding would be enough to enable SLATE to purchase a new van.

Area Committee Business Plan Priority:

This proposal supports the objective 'Provide opportunities for people to get jobs or learn new skills'.

4.14 Project Title: Easter 2014 Holidays Activities (Beeston & Holbeck Ward)

Name of Group or Organisation: LCC Youth Service

Total Project Cost: £1,000.00

Amount proposed from Wellbeing Budget 2014/15:£1,000.00

Wards covered: Beeston & Holbeck

Project Summary: The aim of this Project is primarily to support youth work activities by providing a range of trips and local workshops intended to provide young people with opportunities to make positive use of their leisure time **during the Easter school holiday between 04/04/14 & 22/04/14.**

The programme will provide a variety of exciting activities that will be available to young people predominantly aged between 11 to 19 years that will focus on: opportunities to try new experiences, learning new skills, Health, sports, Arts, citizenship. In line with standard youth work practice, young people will be involved in all decision making processes from organising activities, booking trips, planning use of resources etc.

This project will enable young people to channel their energies into positive and informal learning activities while out of school and hence divert from potential involvement in anti-social behaviour or criminal activities.

The grant will be used to pay for:

- Activity Providers (Tutors, Entrance fees) - £800
- Travel Costs (mini bus / coach hire – including fuel) - £200

4.15 Project Title: Holiday Youth Activities (Middleton Park Ward)

Name of Group or Organisation: LCC Youth Service

Total Project Cost: £5,000.00

Amount proposed from Wellbeing Budget 2014/15: £5,000.00

Wards covered: Middleton Park Ward

Project Summary: The aim of this Project is primarily to support youth work activities through a range of trips and local workshops intended to provide young people with opportunities to make positive use of their leisure time during **school holidays between 01/04/14 & 31/03/15.**

The programmes will provide a variety of exciting activities that will be available to young people predominantly aged between 11 to 19 years during school holidays that will focus on: learning new skills, Health, sports, Arts, citizenship & youth participation. In line with standard youth work practice, young people will be involved in all decision making processes from organising activities, booking trips.

This project will enable young people to channel their energies into positive and informal learning activities while out of school and hence divert from potential involvement in anti-social behaviour or criminal activities. This diverse programme of activities is intended to take services to young people in a variety of different locations across the ward as well providing some transport to enable them to access activities out of their communities. In addition to the programme of trips & visits, there will be a strong focus on providing activities locally in youth centres & parks thereby enabling a larger number of young people to engage in positive use of their leisure time.

The grant will be used to pay for:

- Activity Providers (Tutors, Entrance fees) - £4,000
- Travel Costs (mini bus / coach hire – including fuel) - £1,000

Area Committee Business Plan priority: These two proposals support the Business Plan priority: “Funding for sport, and cultural events and opportunities for young people.”