Area Committee Well Being Fund Project Proposal Inner West Area Committee

Appendix 3

Project Name: Community Development Worker/Centre Manager for New Wortley Community Centre

Lead Organisation: New Wortley Community Association, 40 Tong Road, Leeds. LS12 1LZ

Project Summary:

To employ 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 (please 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 creation 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.

The centre has been in receipt of European funding since October 2005 and has thrived since this time with a successful After School Club and Community Café serving the community and which are now self-financing. In fact proceeds from the ASC now help to support the popular Mums and Tots group.

Through the project over 10 local people have secured employment and over 5 organisations have been assisted to deliver their own activities. The centre also has a successful Job shop which is due to expand in the next few months.

Current activities delivered include:

A cyber café, baby clinic run by the Primary Care Trust, Luncheon Club, Baby Reality Class, HipHopes Edutainment youth project, residents meetings, ward member surgeries, West Leeds Gateway Regeneration consultation meetings, Job shop, Cookery Classes (Envt Health) Mums and Tots Group, Boys Club, Volunteer Project, Gardening project.

Future Activities

To work with key partners and local people to plan, develop and deliver high quality neighbourhood management and 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.

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

Total Cost of project is £ 28,784

At the previous area committee of 25th October members approved the sum of £ 26,187.00. Unfortunately this was at an incorrect payscale and also does not take into account the recent pay rise agreement of November 2007. Consequently a further amount of £2, 597.00 is required to pay the appointed worker at a scale comparable with a similar post funded at Fairfield Community Centre.

Request from Inner West Area Committee £ 2,597.00.

Identify which geographic areas will benefit and which Area Committee (Inner or Outer) you are applying to:

Inner Area Committee - Armley

State who will receive the funding for this project:

Mr Bryan Bloom

Chair of New Wortley Community Association, 40 Tong Road, Leeds LS12 1LZ

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