

Project Name: Armley Lazer Motorbike Project
Amount Applied for: £3500

Lead Organisation: Leeds Youth Service

Project Summary:

We run a very successful motorbike project at the Lazer centre which attracts mainly hard to reach young people, young people in care and young people at risk of ASB and crime in general.

We are at a position at present where all of the bikes that we have are depreciating in value, have been rebuilt a number of times almost from scratch and are all regularly used at least five to ten times a week and are therefore coming to the end of their life span.

We are also in a position as a department where we are unable to put any money aside to be able to 'save up funds' to purchase new equipment, owing to council policy. We would of course always look to do this if it was possible.

Below is a break down of the current bike usage :

From 1st April 2012 – 1 November 2012

304 different young people using motorbikes

64 from rest of city

240 from west inner and outer

This is different young people so it would be approx 4 motorbike sessions per week

November – March 2013

We have 2 confirmed new course 1 enquiry

A waiting list of 6 young people wanting to start on sat as Novice riders

We have 2 sessions booked in over ½ term with potential for more

So would estimate further 50yp – split I would estimate 50-50 West and rest of city

In Kind match

We pay for a motorbike tutor @ £25 per hour

We pay for another youth worker to also work on motorbike session @ £15 per hour

We also pay for the track maintenance and the fuel for the bikes

Akbar Khan from West North West Homes has kindly agreed to give us £500 towards the cost of parts/ and or a new bike.

Project Delivery

Project delivery is at the Lazer centre and is usually over 6 days per week
Groups do use the bikes from all over the city but the highest regular usage is by the inner West young people

Outcomes

- Reduction in ASB
- Contribute towards reduction in LAC
- Contribute to a reduction in bike nuisance related crime
- Team work and group work for the young people
- BUMPY Bronze and Silver
- OCN accreditation around vehicle maintenance
- Future 'proofing' young people to enable them to get jobs and careers in the automotive industry

Ward / Neighbourhood:

Inner West – Armley/ Bramley –Wythers/ Broadleas/ New Wortley and Fairfields

Project Cost & Financial Breakdown

£500 spare parts for motorbikes
£3,500 for the cost of a new bike.

£1,750 per ward