

Appendix 2

Well Being Funds 2006/07

Area Delivery 2006/07 Themes:

Children and Young People (Total approved £2736.45)

Alwoodley

Volunteer Reading Helper for Alwoodley – Volunteer Reading Help £400

This is a charity established in 1995 that supports 62 volunteer mentors across the City and the funding was required to provide a volunteer reading mentor for three primary school children in the Alwoodley area. The grant was to enable the group to recruit, train and support a local person who wishes to play a more active part in their community. The training would provide information on how children learn to read, how to support children with reading difficulties and how to build a child's confidence.

School Holiday Activity Publicity - Moor Allerton Children and Youth Project (MACY) £309

Moor Allerton Children and Youth is a partnership group of LCC and voluntary organisations who deliver activities for young people in the Moor Allerton area. The group wanted to deliver a leaflet to all primary and secondary school children publicising school holiday activities for both age groups. The aim of project was to encourage young people to participate in meaningful activities and reduce instances of anti-social behaviour during the holidays. A grant was awarded to the group to cover the costs of printing 3000 A5 double sided leaflets.

Moortown RUFC Gala - £500

They want to organise and run a rugby festival and gala day to encourage both boys and girls from 5yrs to teenagers to come and try rugby union and adopt a healthier, fitter way of life. They have an open policy and hope to attract children of all races, religion, gender and particularly children from the local estates. The event will be well publicised with an advert in the YEP and flyers distributed to local homes, schools, rugby clubs, libraries and shops.

The £500 grant requested will go towards the cost of medals, trophies, certificates, publicity, the hire of a marquee and expenses for RFU Society referees.

Harewood

Thorner Youth Club £497.45

There are two youth clubs in Thorner that meet weekly for young people aged 8-13 and 13-19. The junior club is run by volunteers, and the senior club is run in partnership with the Youth Service. The members of both clubs are undertaking a communications project to promote the clubs to the local community, encourage new members and communicate with other organisations. A grant was awarded towards the cost of the project to purchase a digital camera, scanner and stationary.

East Keswick Activity Day – East Keswick Youth Committee £150

This committee was established in January 2006 to facilitate and support initiatives put forward by the youth forum. The aim is to engage with young people and encourage greater sociability among those who attend different secondary schools.

The committee held a 'youth activities day' on 26th July 2006 in partnership with Leeds City Council's youth service. The Youth Service took its youth bus to East Keswick village hall car park and held some activities for young people and a barbeque. The Parish Council also wanted to expand the day by holding a number of additional workshops in drumming, juggling and street dance.

A grant was awarded towards the costs of hiring the village hall, sessional workers and publicity material.

Wetherby

Relaunch of Barleyfields – Youth Service £500

The Youth Service is currently in the process of re-vamping Barleyfields Centre to provide a more young person friendly environment. The project will involve young people participating in the decoration of the youth room and café area. Both areas need to be refurbished with new furniture in order to create a comfortable atmosphere. Computer access is also planned to enable after school studying so new equipment, software and furniture will be purchased in the future.

A grant was awarded to the Youth Service towards the cost of three sofas for the youth room.

Barleyfields Health Programme -Youth Service £380

The money allocated for this programme will employ qualified instructors from Wetherby leisure centre to offer a range of physical activities that will enable young people to learn about fitness and the importance of physical activity. The weekly sessions will be complimented by an hour-long session that will look at healthy eating, mental health, and confidence building. The aim of this project is to encourage young people to think and take part in physical activity as well as informing them of other health issues.

The money applied for in this grant will pay for the instructors and resources needed to deliver physical activities.

Improving the Environment (Total approved £46,550.99)

Alwoodley

Slaid Hill in Bloom shopping parade environmental improvements £1,777

Slaid Hill in Bloom is a community group established in December 2005 to improve the environment around Slaid Hill and Wigton Moor. A capital grant was awarded to complete a landscaping project around the Slaid Hill shopping parade. The project is to turn three grass verges into attractive landscaped beds with sandstone rocks, shrubs, plants and bulbs. Paving will also be laid to the substation and Harewood Parish Council notice board. Maintenance of the beds will be undertaken free of charge by the preferred contractor for a period of two years. Slaid Hill in Bloom has 29 volunteers who will also assist with the upkeep.

Slaid Hill Shopping Parade planting scheme, Slaid Hill in Bloom £500

Slaid Hill in Bloom is a community group established in December 2005 to improve the environment around Slaid Hill and Wigton Moor. A grant was awarded to the group to transform a rough grass verge in front of Slaid Hill shopping parade into a landscaped bed with shrubs and flowers.

Floral planters, Alderton Heights Tenants' and Residents' Association £474

Alderton Heights is a group of three tower blocks in Moor Allerton. The tenants' and residents' association holds monthly meetings for residents and seeks improvements for residents of the 180 flats. The Area Committee awarded a grant to the group to purchase nine hayrack planters to be fitted to the railings in front of the blocks.

Harewood & Wetherby

Environmental Improvement Fund £30,000

A new grants fund was established within the Well-being fund specifically for projects to enhance the local environment in the two wards. An allocation of £20,000 capital and £10,000 revenue was approved.

Applications were invited from Parish Councils, schools, community organisations and 'In Bloom' groups. Applications were invited for the following:

- Gardening equipment
- Large stone troughs
- Garden benches / Tree benches
- Sculptures/ Sun dials / Obelisks
- Hanging baskets
- Trees purchased through LCC's Parks and Countryside service

Sixteen projects were approved, in addition to 744 bulbs. Please see Appendix 1 for further details on the approved applications and funding.

Harewood

Bardsey Woodacre Oak £5,000

The aim of the scheme is to protect the landmark oak at Bardsey Woodacre Green. The oak is very large and has bats nesting in it. The roots are being compacted by cars mounting the kerb and need to be protected to ensure the future viability of the tree.

The scheme will excavate the land around the oval to allow for concrete paving blocks to be installed. The oval will be re-kerbed to match the existing kerb heights. A birdsmouth fence will be erected around the oval to protect the land and tree.

Scholes in Bloom landscaping project for Scholes library £2,000

Scholes in Bloom is a community group which aims to improve the environment around Scholes village. The group participates in the 'Yorkshire in Bloom' competition and feedback from the judges has highlighted the small library on Station Road as an area of the village in need of improvement.

The library is accessed via a paved ramp which is uneven and in need of repair. Older people using the facility also report that the handrail leading to the front doors is too low for them to use comfortably, therefore increasing the risk of accidents. The area to the rear of the library is used by local teenagers as a 'hang out' and the library has suffered litter and graffiti as a result of this.

A grant was awarded to Scholes in Bloom to address the above issues and create a more attractive entrance to the library.

Thorner Ford Improvements £750

The land around the ford on Thorner's Main Street is currently neglected, overgrown and inaccessible. Thorner Parish Council would like to improve this area by removing some trees and thinning others, clearing brambles and tidying the site, sowing grass seed and wild flowers, replacing the gate and repairing the wall. The Parish Council would also like to purchase nesting bases for birds and a petrol strimmer to maintain the land. A grant was awarded towards the costs the scheme.

Hanging Baskets, Scarcroft Parish Council £500

In 2005, Scarcroft Parish Council arranged for hanging baskets to be hung from lampposts along the busy A58 Wetherby Road. In June 2006, the Area Committee awarded a grant towards the cost of providing the hanging baskets again, which included installation, planting and regular watering.

Barwick in Bloom £500

Barwick in Bloom is a well-established community organisation run by volunteers to enhance the environment of the village by planting floral displays and hanging baskets. In previous years the group has been a very successful participant in the nationwide 'Britain in Bloom' competition.

A grant was awarded towards the cost of a three stage project to plant colourful shrubs on the banking at Long Lane, one of the main routes into the village.

Lawnmower & Strimmer – Garden of Remembrance Working Group £407

The Garden of Remembrance Working Group is made up of two volunteers who work to improve and maintain the Garden of Remembrance at St. Paul's Churchyard in Shadwell. It is an area where people scatter the ashes of loved ones and have the opportunity to remember them.

A grant was awarded to the group towards the purchase of a strimmer and lawnmower.

Grass Strimmer – Scarcroft Village Hall Management Committee £342

This committee requested a small grant to purchase a grass strimmer in order to maintain the Village Hall grounds. The Village Hall has eight organisations that regularly use the facility as well as other bookings. The village hall is responsible for the maintenance of its own grounds which face onto the main A58 Wetherby Road. A grant was awarded to purchase a STIHL Grass Strimmer.

Wetherby

Boston Spa High Street Enhancement Scheme £2,000

Boston Spa Parish Council were awarded funding for the provision of hanging baskets and planters in the central shopping area on High Street and the maintenance, watering etc of the equipment. It is envisaged that the project will improve the environment for those who work and live in the village, and who use the facilities in High Street. It is anticipated that the improvements will create a big impact, attract new visitors and will benefit the shops, businesses and services available in the village.

Hudson Park Benches £1205

This application was submitted by Wetherby Town Council. The aim of the scheme is to purchase two park benches and install them in Hudson Park. The seat will be made from metal and will replace wooden seats that have been completely destroyed.

Metal seats have been chosen as they are not as susceptible to vandalism, while the seats themselves will enhance the park area and will compliment lime trees that line both sides of a path that runs through the park. These were planted by volunteers and will complete the enjoyment of the area.

Durrant Close Benches, Leeds North East Homes £420

Leeds North East Homes have recently installed a patio at the rear of 14 – 20 Durrant Close in Wetherby using estate walkabout funding. The elderly residents of this sheltered housing complex have requested benches to be installed on the patio, enabling them to use the space as a meeting place.

On behalf of the residents' group, Leeds North East Homes partnerships team were awarded a Well-being fund grant to purchase two benches for the new patio area. The patio is open to all residents of the sheltered housing complex, benefiting over 20 elderly people.

Shed at Durrant Close Sheltered Housing Complex – Leeds North East Homes £299.99

Leeds NE Homes manages the Council houses within Wetherby on behalf of LCC. They are committed to tenant and resident involvement and are working with Gloria Hodgkinson (the elected Village Voice) to improve the area for local residents. Gloria requested a shed to store tools used to tend the communal gardens in the complex. The garden and patio area was created and is tended to by the residents. They also look after the gardens of less able residents in the area.

A grant was awarded to the group to pay for the cost of a shed.

Chestnut Grove Tenants and Residents Association £376

Chestnut Grove Tenants and Residents Association has obtained a grant from Leeds North East Homes to purchase four planters to be located on Holly Road in Boston Spa.

A grant was awarded by the Area Committee to purchase concrete bases and seasonal flowers for the planters.

Community Safety (Total approved £22,300)

Wetherby

Community Gardener Scheme £17,800

The Parks and Countryside Service have identified the need for dedicated community gardeners to be an on site presence in community parks across the city. In Wetherby, The Ings, Wilderness Car Park and Harland Way were nominated as sites that would benefit from a permanent community gardener.

Evidence from CABE (Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment) Space, a government body responsible for the strategic improvement of urban greenspace indicates that where there are no dedicated on site park staff, instances of vandalism, litter, and neglect increase, leading to a decline in visitors.

A grant was awarded to enable the employment of a Community Gardener to cover The Ings, Wilderness Car Park and Harland Way in Wetherby.

Wetherby Police Patrols £3,500

This project will provide Wetherby town centre with Police Reassurance Patrols to combat public order offences, alcohol-free zone offences, drink related crime and other offences. The aim of the project is to allow local citizens and pre-Christmas revellers to enjoy a safe environment in the town centre without fear of being confronted by drunk or offensive individuals.

The extra patrols will provide Wetherby with four Police Constables working Friday and Saturday nights from the 1st December until the 23rd December. In addition to two mounted officers for three evenings on the 8th, 9th and 15th of December. These officers will be exclusive to Wetherby and will not be allocated to any other part of the city during their shift.

A grant was awarded towards the total cost of the scheme.

Provision of Personal Alarms – Wetherby & District Crime Prevention Panel £500

The panel is run by a committee and their meetings are open to the public and Parish Councils and community groups are invited to attend. The purpose of the panel is to provide help and assistance to the police and make the public aware of crime prevention methods. They wanted to provide personal alarms which would be distributed free to vulnerable, mainly elderly people, in Wetherby and the surrounding area. This would be done at local shows and galas and through referrals from WiSE.

A grant was awarded to the group towards the purchase of personal alarms (400 alarms at £1.30 each).

Identity Door/Window Stickers – Wetherby & District Crime Prevention Panel £500

The Wetherby & District Crime Prevention Panel aims to assist the police, and increase public awareness of crime prevention. The Panel is run by a committee, and meetings are open to the public, with Parish Councils and community groups invited to attend. They particularly concentrate their efforts on the more vulnerable residents in the area, such as elderly people living alone. In the past they have provided people with security peepholes and personal alarms.

A grant was awarded so that they could provide elderly and vulnerable persons living within Wetherby and surrounding villages with vinyl stickers to go on the inside of doors or windows. The stickers state that anyone calling at the address will have to provide proof of identity and will not be acknowledged unless they do so. They have been proven to be effective in other areas of the UK.

A grant was awarded to the group towards the cost of 2,000 vinyl three part labels.

Support Local Community and Parish Council Capacity and Involvement and Community Engagement (Total approved £1488)

All Wards

Consultation Fund £1,000

The North East Area Management Team regularly organise consultation events in the outer North East area, ranging from 'Planning Ahead' events, public meetings and bi-monthly

Parish and Town Council Forums. The consultation fund is used for booking rooms and funding publicity.

A grant was awarded to cover the costs of the various consultation activities in the outer North East area.

Harewood

Bramham Community Action Group, Bramham Gala £488

Bramham Community Action Group is an organisation of local residents who are working towards achieving the aims of the Bramham Parish Plan. One of the actions in the Parish Plan is to hold an annual gala for villagers in the summer.

A grant was awarded to the group towards the costs of holding the gala on the 8th July 2006, covering hire of the village hall, skips and insurance.

Improvement to Village Facilities, Parish Halls and Community Centres (Total approved £35,000)

Alwoodley

Moortown Methodist Church £10,000

Moortown Methodist Hall is used by a variety of groups associated with the Moor Allerton estates. Funding was requested to contribute to the cost of renovating and replacing the toilet facility, provision of a fire door and replacement of storage radiators. The current toilets are very old and do not comply with DDA requirements, the oil filled radiator in the hall does not sufficiently heat the hall in the winter and the new fire door will be installed in the main hall. Many users of the hall are elderly and in its present condition these users are forced to wear outdoor coats during their luncheon clubs and coffee mornings.

Moortown Methodist Church were awarded a grant towards the costs of undertaking this work.

Harewood

East Keswick Village Hall Improvements £15,000

East Keswick village hall is the only non-denominational meeting place in the village. The hall is well used by nineteen regular groups as well as private bookings for parties and functions. Facilities at the hall include a sports hall, meeting room and kitchen.

The village hall's management committee would like to expand the services on offer to address community needs identified in the East Keswick Parish Plan. New facilities will include a stage for drama performances, a new room for the youth club, a computer suite, additional storage and a refurbished kitchen, bar and toilets. Currently, potential users are being turned away as the hall is fully booked and cannot meet their storage requirements.

A grant was awarded towards the costs of the improvement works.

Aberford Playground Improvements £10,000

This funding request is in response to the playground in Aberford needing renewing, in addition to the addition of safety features to comply with the DDA Act and the latest official safety guidelines. The joint committee between Aberford Sunbeam toddler group, Aberford

Parish Council & local parents need funding to purchase new equipment, fencing and surfacing.

A grant was awarded for the purchase of a roundabout and climbing frame.

Scarcroft Village Hall Crockery - £500

The grant will pay for a replacement set of crockery. They will purchase a set of 100 plates, bowls and cups and saucers. The Village Hall's existing style of crockery is no longer available so they are unable to replace broken items. The crockery will be used by groups who hire the facility.

Regeneration (Total approved £13,326)

Alwoodley

Open House - part-time youth worker and sessional worker fees £10,000

The Open House Community Centre provides an array of programmes targeting a cross section of the local community, and is based within the Moor Allerton area namely the Lingfield, Fir tree and Queenshill estates. Open House have recently successfully been awarded £48,887 Neighbourhood Renewal Funding towards an expansion of services and core running costs. In view of this Open House requested and were approved funding towards a part-time youth worker and sessional worker fees.

Open House - Computers £2,206

In April 2005, Lingfield Open House received a grant of £19,500 towards the running costs of the centre for one year. During year, there was a period when the centre was without a manager and administrator. This resulted in an underspend on the Area Committee grant of £2,206.

The centre made a request for this underspend to be used to purchase new computer equipment, to support a Neighbourhood Renewal Funded educational project that will provide homework clubs and adult computer courses. The funding request was approved.

Northcall Community Pantomime £620

Northcall is a busy community centre serving the Cranmer, Tynwalds and Alderton Heights estates in Moor Allerton. The Cranmer Call Tenants and Residents Association asked the Northcall Manager to help organise a community pantomime in April 2006. The 'Pocket Panto' theatre company performed the show, which was held in the Moortown Methodist Church.

A further funding request was received for a Community Pantomime event in December. Northcall worked in partnership with Cranmer Call Tenants & Residents Group and Moortown Methodist Church to organise the event that encouraged all groups living on the Moor Allerton Estates to come together.

Two grants were awarded towards the cost of holding the pantomimes.

Winter Warmers – Moor Allerton Elderly Care £500

MAECare is a voluntary organisation based in Moor Allerton that helps older people live independently and provide them with a range of different activities to become involved in. Funding was requested to raise awareness relating to the importance to health of keeping warm and active in winter. This includes offering up to date information on government

incentives towards energy efficiency and NHS winter measures (e.g. flu injections) and providing practical aids for older people to improve safety and comfort in winter.

A grant was awarded to the group towards the cost of thermal underwear and carbon monoxide detectors.

Fair Trade Cafés, Alwoodley Methodist / St Barnabas Fair Trade Group £400

Members from Alwoodley Methodist Church and St Barnabas Church in Alwoodley Ward have joined together to form a fair trade group that aims to run a monthly Fair Trade Café for the local community. The aim of the project is to provide a friendly meeting place for local people and help to raise awareness of fair trade products.

A grant was awarded to the group to purchase fair trade goods to sell at a reasonable price on a stall at the café. Profits from the stall will be used to purchase new goods and sustain the café.

Wetherby

Walton Bus Shelter £3,250

The bus stop on the north side of Wetherby Road is close to the village and Thorp Arch trading estate. It is used by a large number of people every day, including many elderly residents.

Wetherby Road is busy and as it is adjacent to fields and open to the elements. Walton Parish Council are proposing to construct a stone built bus shelter at this location to match the one on the opposite side of the road. The purpose of the scheme is to give people a more comfortable place to wait, encouraging more use of public transport. The provision of the bus shelter is also an action in the Walton Parish Plan.

The Parish Council was awarded a grant towards the cost of providing the new bus shelter.

Town and District Centre Improvements (Total approved £13,500)

Wetherby

Boston Spa Millennium Gardens £10,000

Boston Spa Parish Council requested and was approved funding towards the costs of developing an open garden in the centre of the village to form a focus point for the community. The project will open up areas of poorly maintained and walled spaces to create an open, light pedestrian friendly and publicly accessible space with seating, trees and landscaped backdrop.

Wetherby Christmas Lights £3,000

Wetherby Town Council provides a display of Christmas lights during the festive period. The lights help to support the Christmas shopping trade and public events such as the Carol Concert in the Market Place.

Wetherby Town Council were awarded a grant towards the cost of purchasing a new 'snowflake' lighting display and replacing bulbs in a number of existing displays. The grant will also ensure that all lighting displays meet strict health and safety standards.

Wetherby Bonfire, Wetherby Town Council £500

Each November, Wetherby Town Councils organises a bonfire for residents of Wetherby and the surrounding villages. It is a popular and safe event with a firework display and stalls. The Area Committee awarded a grant for the third year running to help pay for the fireworks for the event.

Support Community and Voluntary Organisations to Access Opportunities for Long-term Funding (Total approved £44,704)

Alwoodley

Meeting room hire, Moor Allerton Over 50's Association £500

Moor Allerton Over 50's association is a community group that meets every Tuesday at Lingfield Open House. The meetings are attended by mainly elderly people from the Moor Allerton area, who enjoy activities such as bingo, board games and card making. The Area Committee awarded a grant to the group to pay for hire of the room at Open House for one year.

Alwoodley & Harewood

Moor Allerton Elderly Care £34,969

MAECare is a voluntary organisation that supports older people in Moor Allerton and Shadwell. The services it provides include recruitment of volunteers, community safety awareness, stroke club, transport and handy person. Funding was requested to cover core costs from April 2006.

Harewood & Wetherby

WiSE Gardening Service £4000

WiSE works in partnership with Wetherby Young Offenders institute to provide a gardening service in Thorner for older people who find it difficult to maintain their own gardens. No charge is made for the visit, but users do pay for materials.

A grant was awarded to enable the lease of a mini bus for 12 months to expand the service to five days a week and cover the whole WiSE area.

Wetherby

Wetherby Community Radio £5,000

Wetherby Community Radio Ltd was recently granted a licence by OFCOM to broadcast a community radio service to Wetherby and district. Volunteers, who are recruited will be trained in the techniques of presentation and transmission. The station can choose its own hours of broadcast.

A grant was awarded to enable the purchase of the basic broadcasting equipment and an annual license for OFCOM and the Wireless Telegraphy Act.

Thorp Arch and Walton Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association £235

The Thorp Arch Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association is a community group that holds regular meetings for its members. Guest speakers are regularly invited to the meetings that are held in Thorp Arch Primary School hall. Some of the association's members are hard of hearing, and sometimes find the guest speakers difficult to follow.

A grant was awarded by the Area Committee to enable the group to purchase a lapel microphone that will be used for meetings and guest speakers.