

AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Name of Committee North Warwickshire Area Committee

Date of Committee 21 March 2007

Report Title North Warwickshire Well-Being Fund
2006/07

Summary To receive details of Well-Being Fund Commissions for decision.

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Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework?
No.

Background papers NW Area Committee 26 July 2006
NW Area Committee 13 September 2006

CONSULTATION ALREADY UNDERTAKEN:- Details to be specified

- Other Committees
- Local Member(s) Cllr Ray Sweet - Area Committee Chair
- Other Elected Members
- Cabinet Member
- Chief Executive David Carter
- Legal Sian Stroud
- Finance Nicola Cumberledge
- Other Chief Officers
- District Councils
- Health Authority

Police

Other Bodies/Individuals Area Committee Funding Sub-Group

FINAL DECISION YES

SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS:

Details to be specified

Further consideration by this Committee

To Council

To Cabinet

To an O & S Committee

To an Area Committee

Further Consultation

Agenda No

North Warwickshire Area Committee – 21 March 2007

North Warwickshire Well-Being Fund 2006/07

Report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development

Recommendation

That the Area Committee:

1. approve Well-Being Fund Commissions for:
 - i) Sloppy Slipper Project – £800
 - ii) Alcohol Awareness Training - £500 to support the training of 10 individuals from voluntary and community agencies only
 - iii) Common Purpose Your Turn Programme – £5,000
2. does not support the Well-Being Fund Commission for Gun Hill Allotments Association but allocates £1,000 to assist with the strategic development and management of Allotments across North Warwickshire, in particular the establishment of a North Warwickshire Allotment Consortium, as detailed in the North Warwickshire Borough Council Allotments Action Plan.

1. Introduction

1.1 For year 2006/07 North Warwickshire Area Committee priorities for Well-Being Fund are to:

- Support Rural Business and Enterprise
- Improve people's life chances for those most in need
- Develop the support available to people running and organising voluntary and community activity
- Assist vulnerable groups and address the level of homelessness
- Reduce obesity and improve diet and nutrition
- Increase the amount of exercise people take
- Address public reassurance by improving the physical environment in priority locations and by developing positive diversionary activities for young people
- Raise awareness of and educate people about the historic, built and natural environment
- Provide services, facilities and activities in ways that meet the actual needs of children, young people and their families.

- Support, identify, review and seek to address parish traffic issues in North Warwickshire in order to promote road safety and reduce casualties.
- 1.2 Expressions of Interest were considered at the July Area Committee meeting. Potential projects supporting the priority areas were notified and requested to submit commissions to Area Committee for approval. Eight of the eleven potential projects have to date been approved for support. The remaining two projects will not now be brought forward for consideration.
 - 1.3 North Warwickshire Area Committee has £10,866 left to administer from its Well-Being Fund for 2006/07 to support potential projects identified at the July Area Committee and/or further projects emerging later in the year.
 - 1.4 All potential projects for funding and progress from previous allocations are now considered by the Area Committee Funding Sub-Group. The Group met on 21 February and their recommendations have informed this report.

2. Commissions Received Relating to Current Priority Areas

- 2.1. Attached at **Appendix A through to D** are project proposals that have been received and which aim to deliver priority actions set out in paragraph 1.1. The Part A's outline each project brief and the corresponding Part B's set out the Expression of Interest from the potential project deliverer.
- 2.2. The Well-being Fund seeks to support projects undertaken in partnership that meet strategic priorities in North Warwickshire, identified through the Area Business Plan or the North Warwickshire Sustainable Community Plan. The proposal for the Gun Hill Allotments Association, though not an appropriate use of Well Being Fund resources, has identified an opportunity to support work led by North Warwickshire Borough Council on the strategic development of allotments in North Warwickshire and in doing so contribute to environment and health and well-being priorities within the Community Plan. The Area Committee's Community Development Fund, which supports individual projects from voluntary and community groups, would be a more appropriate fund for the Gun Hill Allotments Association to apply to for support.

3. Conclusion

- 3.1. The Committee are requested to consider approval of expenditure on these projects from the Well-being Fund.

DAVID CARTER
Strategic Director of
Performance and
Development

Shire Hall
Warwick
20 February 2007

Warwickshire County Council Well-being Fund 2006/07

Part A – Project Brief - To be completed by the commissioning theme group

Name of Project: Sloppy Slipper project.

Name of Local Strategic Partnership: North Warwickshire

Name of Theme Group promoting project: Health and Well-Being

Description of Project for which funding is sought from Area Committee
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<p>Sloppy Slippers Project – Is a project that aims to replace peoples damaged and worn out slippers with new ones. The Rural North Warwickshire Community Mental Health Team and the Kingsbury day hospital will coordinate the project; the key staff member will be Marian Humphreys.</p>

One of the contributing factors especially in older people when sustaining falls is poor and/or ill-fitting footwear, the slippers are designed with comfort and support in mind and are purchased at cost price from Nature form.

The pilot project will be to target vulnerable people and their carers living in the Kingsbury area of North Warwickshire Borough, due to the client groups we are proposing to target, it is important that they have good quality, well fitting footwear, as many of the people within the day hospital would not see their footwear as a priority and for many carers it is difficult to get out to purchase proper footwear for themselves or their relatives.

To ensure that the project is self sustaining it is envisaged that the slippers will be sold on to the clients at cost price thus enabling the scheme to continue, rather than money having to be continually found.

A similar sloppy slipper project was coordinated by Warwickshire Specialist Health Promotion Service which has been running in Rugby, the slippers have been distributed through District Nurses, Intermediate Care and the Home Safety Check Scheme, targeted at older people who have a history of falling or who are house bound, the scheme has produced the first set of evaluations, the results so far are promising as only one person has re fallen since receiving their new slippers, and this was as a result of a trip rather than poor footwear.

Priorities, set by the County Council Area Committee, that will be addressed
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<p>Health and Well Being priority is around developing pilot activities within localities – the sloppy slipper project, will be a pilot project for Rural North Warwickshire targeted at people with mental health issues and their carers.</p>

North Warwickshire County Partnership Sustainable Community Plan 2006/2009 – states that the Strategic Partnership for Health and Well Being aims to provide and

support information for people with disabilities their carers and other vulnerable groups.

Running along side the slipper project, Warwickshire Specialist Health Promotion Service (WSHPS) will be producing information in the form of displays and interactive activity, which staff can use with their clients and carers, The information will enable clients and carers to be more aware of the importance of healthy eating, keeping warm and well, drinking plenty of fluids and looking after themselves. (WSHPS) will also provide staff with information to produce their own carer's packs.

Location of Project

Rural North Warwickshire

Who will benefit from the project?

People whom the Community Mental Health Team support and their carers and those people who attend the Kingsbury Day Hospital.

When will it be delivered?

From December 06 / January 07

Expected Outputs

- To ensure that all clients of the Rural North Warwickshire Community Mental Health Team and carers and those clients who attend the Kingsbury day hospital have access to good quality, well fitting and affordable footwear

Expected Outcomes

- To reduce the risk of falling amongst vulnerable adults
- To ensure clients and their carers have relevant information to assist them in making an informed choice

Proposed monitoring arrangements/Indicators of success

- The number of slippers purchased
- Improvement in footwear and consequently overall foot comfort.
- Using an evaluation questionnaire for carers
- Reduction in falls amongst the clients at risk of falling

What is the long term future of the project (If appropriate)
If this application is successful it is hoped that the project will be ongoing, as the slipper sales will continually generate income to enable new slippers to be purchased. Thus the project to move from pilot to project status.
Eligible for Main Programme or other funding? Yes/No? No
Details of other sources of funding Warwickshire Specialist Health Promotion will provide the interactive material, source and provide leafleted information and displays in a bid to assist the client and their carers to make more informed decisions about their general health.

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Signature of Chair of Theme Group

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Date signed

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Part B – Expression of Interest - To be completed by the body/individual interested in undertaking a commission

Name of Project: Sloppy Slipper Project

Details of body/Individual interested in commission

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Description of Project (from project brief)	
<p>Sloppy Slippers Project – Is a project that aims to replace peoples damaged and worn out slippers with new ones. The project will cover Rural North Warwickshire via the Community Mental Health Team and the Kingsbury day hospital.</p>	
Details of timescale. When would you be able to commence this project?	
December 06 / January 07 depending on funding	
Outputs – What can you offer the Project?	
Examples of similar projects previously undertaken	
<p>A similar sloppy slipper project was coordinated by Warwickshire Specialist Health Promotion Service which has been running in Rugby, the slippers have been distributed through District Nurses, Intermediate Care and the Home Safety Check Scheme, targeted at older people who have a history of falling or who are house bound, the scheme has produced the first set of evaluations, the results so far are promising as only one person has re fallen since receiving their new slippers, and this was as a result of a trip rather than poor footwear</p>	
Analysis of costs – Please be as precise as possible	
Total Project Cost	£
Purchase of approximately 100 pairs of slippers in varying sizes both male and female. (The approximate is for the minimum rather than a maximum based on the figures that were used for Rugby, Nature Form are	£800.00

currently offering free postage and packaging, so more slippers may be purchased if this continues.)	
Staff (Salaries and Expenses) The project will be run by existing staff – staff time will be picked up as an in-kind contribution	£ in-kind contribution
Capital/Equipment No other equipment is required other than the slippers	£0.00
Other None	£0.00
Total	£800.00

Signature of representative of organisation interested in commission

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Position

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Part A – Project Brief - To be completed by the commissioning theme group

Name of Project: Alcohol Awareness Training to DANOS MOCaM Tier 1 standard

Name of Local Strategic Partnership: North Warwickshire

Name of Theme Group promoting project: Safer Communities

Description of Project for which funding is sought from Area Committee

Provision of Tier 1 Alcohol awareness training. The bid is for specific one-day training sessions for staff in Rural North Warwickshire. The training will be delivered in response to the Warwickshire Harm Reduction strategy Alcohol Implementation Plan, which should be approved by CDRP and DAAT on 14 February 2007.

The Plan has highlighted a gap in training provision to support Tier 1 service delivery by partner agencies in North Warwickshire. Currently few to no individuals in North Warwickshire are trained. This has been identified as a key priority for the locality. Currently none of the partner agencies eg. North Warwickshire Borough Council, North Warwickshire Police, County Council agencies eg Probation and voluntary and community sector agencies prioritise funds from within core service or agency workforce development budgets towards alcohol training.

For those workers currently delivering services to alcohol using young people and adults this could place those agencies or their staff at risk should the information or advice given be inaccurate or risk not assessed and an incident occur which may make the agency liable for prosecution. There is also currently a lack of consistency in the way that different agencies tackle this issue and the type of support that they provide.

The training of key members of staff from across the sector would enable partners to respond positively to delivering the new Alcohol Harm reduction strategy. Models of Care Alcohol recommends that all Tier 1 agencies i.e. those agencies working with or offering services to alcohol misusing individuals should be trained to a required standard to both ensure that the services they deliver are risk assessed, delivered in a co-ordinated and consistent manner, and that staff working are as a result of that risk assessment both competent and safe in completing their work.

In preparation for delivery of the Plan, both the Joint Commissioning Manager Young People and the Joint Commissioning Manager Alcohol have funded Pathway work to develop and agree with partners the routes into treatment across all statutory and voluntary sector agencies for both adults and young people. The mapping exercise has been completed for young people services. A similar exercise will take place at the beginning of March to map out and agree the referral system for adults.

The Alcohol Joint Commissioner has in addition allocated some £3,000 to support current county Tier 1 training for Drugs to make this a two-day course in **Drugs and Alcohol**; Current training allows some 150 places per year across all agencies on a county basis. There is as yet no local training funded or provided. This application would therefore allow

North Warwickshire to lead in training local staff and by doing so be better prepared to meet both local and central targets in both the LAA and for the LSP.

Alcohol awareness training will in addition not only assist workers and agencies to better complete their work tasks but in addition will ensure that more staff are aware of how to screen individuals for alcohol and where misuse is suspected or detected signpost or refer on to Swanswell Trust for adults and Connexions specialist alcohol workers for Young People. These agencies are the commissioned Tier 2 advice and information providers and single point of contact referral and assessment for Tier 3 Treatment services.

Priorities, set by the County Council Area Committee, that will be addressed

- Improve people's life chances for those most in need
- Address public reassurance by [improving the physical environment in priority locations and by] developing positive diversionary activities for young people
- Provide services, facilities and activities in ways that meet the actual needs of children, young people and their families
- Reduce obesity and improve diet and nutrition

Location of Project

Rural North Warwickshire. All LSP agencies can apply. Venues will be arranged to suit need and numbers.

Who will benefit from the project?

Professionals from the statutory and non-statutory sector who work with clients in social, health, housing, leisure and educational settings.

Criminal Justice Agencies who spend time dealing with both victims and perpetrators of alcohol related or fuelled crime and disorder, including anti social behaviour

Agencies from the statutory and non statutory sector that support staff working in the community

Agencies that currently loose work days due to staff misusing alcohol

When will it be delivered?

As and when required over 2006-07.

The cost of training to DANOS Tier 1 standard is approximately £50 per day per individual, this includes venue, lunch etc.

Expected Outputs

Each course will offer 10 training places that cover DANOS competencies AA1, AA3, AD1.AB8, AA4. (If the full £5,000 is awarded this will train some 100 training places)

Expected Outcomes

Improved detection, assessment and referral of clients with alcohol and alcohol related problems to Tier 2 / 3 service providers.

Reduce alcohol related crime and disorder including anti social behaviour as individuals will be referred appropriately at an early stage especially persistent offenders.

Increase staff competence in dealing with alcohol related incidents and occurrences

Proposed monitoring arrangements/Indicators of success	
<input type="checkbox"/> Training appraisal by provider and participants <input type="checkbox"/> Improved information, screening and referral for full assessment and treatment	
What is the long term future of the project (If appropriate)	
<p>It is anticipated that this training will encourage referral agencies to commission further training as an integral part of their workforce development core-training budgets for all frontline staff in 2008 / 09. Members will appreciate that this is a huge task as we are starting from a low baseline. This will support activity locally and promote needs for further investment through Core Budgets by raising awareness locally to need and volume, as well as demonstrating effectiveness by reduction in crime etc.</p> <p>It will support the work of the Joint Commissioning Manager Alcohol in her commissioning of training.</p> <p>It will set an example for other localities to train their staff.</p>	
Eligible for Main Programme or other funding? Yes/No?	
Details of other sources of funding	
<p>Local funding is currently not available and no budgets have been identified for 2007-08. It is hoped that this will be remedied by release of LPSA2 funding in April 2008.</p> <p>The Joint Commissioner Alcohol has invested £3000 from a small central budget to support training on a County basis.</p>	

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Signature of Chair of Theme Group

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Date signed

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Part B – Expression of Interest - To be completed by the body/individual interested in undertaking a commission

Name of Project: Alcohol Awareness Training to DANOS MOCaM Tier 1

Details of body/Individual interested in commission

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Description of Project (from project brief)
Provision of Tier 1, 1 day, Alcohol Awareness training to staff in Rural North Warwickshire. Total 10 days training.
Details of timescale. When would you be able to commence this project?
February 2007
Outputs – What can you offer the Project? Examples of similar projects previously undertaken
Previous training provided by CAS in North Warwickshire from a number of rural locations including Atherstone, Water Orton and Polesworth. 1 day training 5 courses offered 2 day training 5 courses offered 100 candidates were booked on to the training, 78 attended. Feedback from all of the training was positive and post training analysis showed that the one day training was most beneficial for Tier 1/2 workers.
Analysis of costs – Please be as precise as possible

Total Project Cost	£ 5000
Staff (Salaries and Expenses) Based on two trainers offering 10 days training including preparation time and travel	£ 3700
Capital/Equipment Training Materials and Certificates	£ 100
Other Venue cost and lunch to be negotiated if funding approved	£
Total	£ 5000

Signature of representative of organisation interested in commission

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Position

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Part A – Project Brief - To be completed by the commissioning theme group

Name of Project: Common Purpose Your Turn Programme

Name of Local Strategic Partnership: North Warwickshire

Name of Theme Group promoting project: Community Life (Access, Choice and Transport and Voluntary and Community Activity), Children, Young People and Their Families

Description of Project for which funding is sought from Area Committee

The Your Turn Programme takes place over three days and is aimed at 13-15 year-olds. Participants from a number of schools across a region are recruited on the basis of their potential as leaders. The schools involved are chosen to ensure that the participants reflect the full diversity of the area.

Your Turn offers an excellent experience for teenagers. Its strength is the involvement of young people from all backgrounds who come together with the common purpose of understanding how they can contribute as active citizens. The processes are extremely well thought out. Young people benefit enormously, are proud to be graduates of Your Turn and grow enormously from having their voices heard and skills and attributes developed.

Through the programme, Your Turn aims to:

1. encourage young people to make a positive contribution as active citizens in their region
2. give young people a deeper understanding of how their area works
3. allow young people to appreciate their region's diversity and strengths
4. provide young people with an opportunity to understand decision-making processes.

The themes of the Your Turn Programme days are Power and Change.

The programme takes place out of school in venues that reflect the themes that are covered. Hosts can include hospitals, private sector companies and prisons. A key element of each day is a series of visits to places of relevance such as hostels, courts and trading floors. All Your Turn venues and visits are checked for health and safety.

Participants are given a practical overview of citizenship and decision-making through a combination of visits to relevant organisations, specific tasks and meetings with decision-makers. The programme draws on the expertise of past participants of

the adult Common Purpose programme, who are decision-makers from all fields.

Aspects of Power covered on the first two days may include some or all of the following themes: Money and business, democratic power and process, (this would be done through meeting with local elected members for discussion, possible tours of local council chambers/buildings looking at the most interesting bits, and through a role play), disempowerment through the criminal justice system or health issues, or homelessness, personal power, education, etc. Change looks at what is coming up and how young people can get involved, have their say and influence at the highest levels. All sections of the programme are highly interactive and do not have high academic requirements so are open to all. Sessions are practical and experiential.

A high level of adult adviser involvement is sought especially from local elected members, police, fire, business, voluntary sector etc. These advisers bring their knowledge and expertise and help with group work and panel discussions etc and there is an expectation that they will be honest and deliver on promises and take the young peoples' views and ideas seriously so that the exercises are for real and not just simulations.

Priorities, set by the County Council Area Committee, that will be addressed

- Provide services, facilities and activities in ways that meet the actual needs of children, young people and their families.

Location of Project

The 3 programme days will be held at key venues across North Warwickshire, this will form part of the project planning that happens ahead of the programme.

Who will benefit from the project?

Schools will be invited to select students to take part in the programme. Invites will go to Queen Elizabeth, Coleshill, Kingsbury, Polesworth, plus possibly Hartshill, and The Woodlands. (These will be discuss once funding is agreed)

When will it be delivered?

Proposed delivery dates are late Autumn 2007/Early Spring 2008

Expected Outputs

30 young leaders from across N Warks will take part.

Expected Outcomes

These 30 young people inspired by the notion that things can change and that they can change them, will hopefully go on to make a difference in what ever way they can. We will signpost them to as many organisations as possible but also hope that some will start their own campaigns and run with their own ideas.

They will also be armed with funding information and contact details for those people

who can help them/mentor them to the next stage.

Proposed monitoring arrangements/Indicators of success

Each programme day is carefully assessed and measured against others in the organisation using KPI's to maintain standards and to enable reflection on practise. Feedback is collected from the young people and they are encouraged to comment and reflect upon their own learning.

An optional graduate evening may be built in to the project plan enabling the young people to come back and to share what they have done after the programme.

What is the long term future of the project (If appropriate)

This is a rolling programme and it would be good to consider whether there is some longer term funding available to make this a year on year programme for North Warks.

Eligible for Main Programme or other funding? No

Details of other sources of funding

Support is also being sought from local businesses and other partners on the Children, Young People and their Families Theme Group.

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Signature of Chair of Theme Group

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Date signed

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Part B – Expression of Interest - To be completed by the body/individual interested in undertaking a commission

Name of Project: Common Purpose Your Turn Programme

Details of body/Individual interested in commission

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Description of Project (from project brief)	
Delivery of Your Turn Programme over 3 programme days for 13-15 year olds in North Warwickshire.	
Details of timescale. When would you be able to commence this project?	
Late Autumn 2007/Early Spring 2008	
Outputs – What can you offer the Project? Examples of similar projects previously undertaken	
Participation of 30 young leaders from across North Warwickshire.	
Analysis of costs – Please be as precise as possible	
Total Project Cost	£ 5,180
Staff (Salaries and Expenses)	£
Programme Director 10 days prep at £195 per day	1950
3 days delivery	585
Programme Co ordinator 2 Days Prep at £175 per day	350

Programme Co ordinator 3 Days delivery	525
Capital/Equipment	
Other	£
Transport costs 200 x 3	600
Packs and stationery	120
Refreshments and Sundries	330
Venue costs	720
Total	£5,000
In-kind sponsorship	£180

Signature of representative of organisation interested in commission

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Position

Date

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Part A – Project Brief - To be completed by the commissioning theme group

Name of Project: Gun Hill Allotments Association

Name of Local Strategic Partnership: Health and Well-being LSP

Name of Theme Group promoting project: Health and Well-being Strategy Group – North Warwickshire Community Partnership

Description of Project for which funding is sought from Area Committee

During January 2005, Ansley Allotment Society were successful in their bid to the PCT Local Finance Budget grant aid budget. They received £2,414.00 to build a raised bed for people with physical and learning disabilities. As a result of publicity of this project, Ansley Allotment Society received some enquiries about allotments that included some people asking whether the former Coal Board Allotment Site at Gun Hill in New Arley (now in the hands of NWBC) was ever going to be revitalised. As a result, the Borough Council agreed to pursue the potential for an allotment project further.

The Community Development Team at the Borough Council sent out a consultation questionnaire to residents of New and Old Arley with the June 2005 edition of Arley News. As a result of this exercise, approximately 40 residents showed an interest in revitalising the allotment site. Most of them wanted a plot or a half plot and the site to be used as a community facility to include other features such as wildlife area.

A general meeting was held with all of the residents who showed an interest in the site. A committee was set up with the support of the Landscape Manager and the Community Development Team at NWBC and the Council for Voluntary Services (CVS). The Gun Hill Allotments Association was formed and CVS supported them to write a constitution.

The vision for the site is that it is a community facility where people can walk, grow fruit, vegetables and flowers, spend time in the outdoors digging or just sitting and relaxing and taking in their surroundings. It is planned that there will be a wildlife area, benches, raised beds for people with disabilities, fruit and vegetable sales and that local schools and organisations will engage in the project also.

The Association began planning the site, investigating funding streams, identifying how they could engage with all sectors of the community and wrote off to local organisations requesting donations.

With the support of management and Members at NWBC, £15000 was allocated for allotments in NWBC's 2006-2007 budget and an action plan agreed on how the money should be spent across the Borough.

Two of the action plans aims were to carry out tree works and clear the disused allotment site at Gun Hill so that plots could then be laid out. The tree works began in early spring and during May and June 2006, the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers carried out some ground preparation work. In the meantime a draft lease was prepared in consultation with the Gun Hill Allotments Association.

During March 2006, the Community Development Team successfully bid for £4200 from "Positive about Young People" for an "Arts in the Outdoors" Project. The idea of the project was to raise awareness about the Gun Hill Allotment Site and environmental issues in general and engage the local community. The project took place during the school summer holiday period in 2006. Activities included making willow sculptures and bird boxes, tree and bug identification, environmental story telling, collage, drawing and painting and making animal mobiles and a mural.

In September 2006, the site was cleared of vegetation ready for the allotment plots to be set out. The next task before handing the site over to the Allotments Association will be to install fencing to secure the site.

A community event to celebrate both the regeneration of the Gun Hill site and National Tree Week is being planned for 25th November when the Mayor will plant a tree.

The Allotments Association is currently in a position to develop this project further. The association comprises community members keen to encourage healthy eating and physical activity throughout the entire community and to raise awareness of the health benefits this facility can provide to the Borough of North Warwickshire as a whole.

This bid is for seeds, tools and equipment in order that all members of the community can have the opportunity to feel the benefits of healthy eating, growing fruit and vegetables locally and physical activity by digging, tilling and general gardening tasks.

Priorities, set by the County Council Area Committee, that will be addressed

This application for funding addresses two priorities of the County Council Area Committee's priorities. The first of which is the issue of health inequalities and social exclusion. The revitalised allotment site offers accessibility and choice to all.

This bid ensures that the requirements of the local Rural Strategy and Equality Policy are fulfilled in that it will serve rural communities as well as more urban communities and all individuals with individual health improvement needs.

Location of Project

The Borough of North Warwickshire

Who will benefit from the project?

All residents living Old Arley and New Arley

When will it be delivered?

From January 2007 onwards

Expected Outputs

- To till the soil in each plot
- To dig, prepare and maintain plots
- To plant fruit and vegetable seeds
- To plant a wild flower meadow
- To provide seated areas

Expected Outcomes

- To have given all community members the opportunity to achieve healthy eating, physical activity and mental well-being
- To have provided seating for residents to relax and enjoy their environment – an important element for individual’s well-being
- To have provided a facility which encourages intergenerational relationships
- To have provided a diversionary activity for young people in the community
- To have provided a community facility that encourages community cohesiveness
- To have provided a facility that other statutory and voluntary agencies will want to engage with to promote community development

Proposed monitoring arrangements/Indicators of success

- The number of residents participating in the project by making use of the facility, having a plot or being part of community activity on the site
- Fruit and vegetable sale at harvest periods

What is the long term future of the project (If appropriate)

The project is ongoing and sustainable due to the commitment of the Association and the residents. The site will continue to be developed as and when opportunities arise.

Eligible for Main Programme or other funding? Yes/No?

Details of other sources of funding

The allotments association is receiving funding for initial clearance of the site, tree works, fencing and hedging. The Community Development Team at the Council, and the Community for Voluntary Services is supporting the project by provide resources in terms of staff time. Three local organisations to New Arley have provided donations in terms of water butts, cash and a grocery voucher. Although the site has been generally cleared, funding is needed in order for the site to be brought into a condition where the plots can be used and the wildlife garden can start to be developed. This will allow the Association to start involving the community in

gardening and open up the site for public enjoyment.

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Well-being Fund 2006/07

Part B – Expression of Interest - To be completed by the body/individual interested in undertaking a commission

Name of Project: Gun Hill Allotments Association

Details of body/Individual interested in commission

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Description of Project (from project brief)

With the support of management and Members at NWBC, £15000 was allocated for allotments in NWBC's 2006-2007 budget and an action plan agreed on how the money should be spent across the Borough.

Two of the action plans aims were to carry out tree works and clear the disused allotment site at Gun Hill so that plots could then be laid out. The tree works began in early spring and during May and June 2006, the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers carried out some ground preparation work. In the meantime a draft lease was prepared in consultation with the Gun Hill Allotments Association.

The vision for the site is that it is a community facility where people can walk, grow fruit, vegetables and flowers, spend time in the outdoors digging or just sitting and relaxing and taking in their surroundings. It is planned that there will be a wildlife area, benches, raised beds for people with disabilities, fruit and vegetable sales and that local schools and organisations will engage in the project also

The Allotments Association is currently in a position to develop this project further. The association comprises community members keen to encourage healthy eating and physical activity throughout the entire community and to raise awareness of the health benefits this facility can provide to the Borough of North Warwickshire as a whole.

This bid is for seeds, tools and equipment in order that all members of the community can have the opportunity to feel the benefits of healthy eating, growing fruit and vegetables locally and physical activity by digging, tilling and general

gardening tasks.	
Details of timescale. When would you be able to commence this project?	
From January 2007 onwards	
Outputs – What can you offer the Project? Examples of similar projects previously undertaken	
Analysis of costs – Please be as precise as possible	
Total Project Cost	£
Staff (Salaries and Expenses)	£
Capital/Equipment	£
Tiller for community use	£350
Tools: 2x Spades, forks, trowels, rakes, hoes, watering cans	£210
1 X Mattock, Wheelbarrow	£68
1 First Aid kit	£28
20 pairs gardening gloves	£15
20 packets assorted vegetable seeds	£50
10 packets assorted wildflower seeds	£30
1 garden bench for the community garden	£166
Other	£
Total	£917

Signature of representative of organisation interested in commission

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Date