

AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Name of Committee	Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Committee
Date of Committee	30 November 2005
Report Title	Social Inclusion Funding 2005/06
Summary	The report details projects identified through the Area Committee Funding Sub-group and makes recommendations for funding from the balance of £45,200 from the 2005/06 allocation.
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Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework?	No.
Background papers	None

CONSULTATION ALREADY UNDERTAKEN:-

Details to be specified

Other Committees	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local Member(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cllr Longden, Chair of Area Committee Area Committee Funding Sub-Group
Other Elected Members	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cabinet Member	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chief Executive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Carter, County Solicitor and Assistant Chief Executive
Legal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jane Pollard, Assistant County Solicitor
Finance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Preece, Financial Services Manager
Other Chief Officers	<input type="checkbox"/>
District Councils	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health Authority	<input type="checkbox"/>

Police ☐

Other Bodies/Individuals ☒ Elizabeth Ross – Strategy Advisor Social Policy (PTES)
John Lyons - Area Planning Coordinator – (CE)
Steve Smith – Service Manager (Disability) (SS)

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 ☐

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Social Inclusion Funding 2005/06

Report of the County Solicitor and Assistant Chief Executive

Recommendation

That the Area Committee approves the identified projects from the Social Inclusion Fund at the suggested levels.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Social Inclusion Budget has a remaining balance of £45,200 for 2005/06 and can be used to fund projects, which make a strategic impact on combating deprivation or social exclusion, based on the principles of the Council's Social Inclusion Strategy and the Local Area Strategy.
- 1.2 Projects need to ensure that they support the County Council's overall Corporate Objectives and Social Inclusion Strategy by demonstrating that they will;
 - Promote social inclusion through supporting active communities
 - Aim to provide improvement for all, with fastest improvement for the most deprived

2.0 Priorities Identified by the Funding Sub-Group

- 2.1 The Funding Sub-Group choose three key themes: Anti- Poverty work, Fear of Crime and Community Involvement.
- 2.2 After detailed work with the Funding Sub Group and partner agencies the priority projects identified for spend are as follows:
 - Support to be given to the Nuneaton Credit Union operation, to assist in the uptake of their facilities by those in debt and to encourage individual savings accounts for clients. Nuneaton Credit Union has

been operating for over three years. It is suggested that £13,250 be awarded to Nuneaton Credit Union.

- Support to be given to Warwickshire Welfare Rights to increase the uptake of benefits in Nuneaton and Bedworth relating to carers where take up is currently poor, in particular Attendance, Carers and Disability Allowances for those not currently receiving benefits. It is suggested that £11,450 be awarded to Warwickshire Welfare Rights Advice Service.
- Support be given to the Healthy Living Network to undertake a pilot project targeting the four most health deprived Super Output Areas to establish key barriers to healthy lifestyles. Additional work to include research and development of initiatives that will improve peoples access to healthy lifestyles using local volunteers. It is suggested that the Nuneaton and Bedworth Healthy Living Network be awarded £10,000.
- Support be given to the Opportunities Centre to extend the brick laying training provision to accommodate evening and weekend provision for local people who wish to retrain. It is suggested that £10,500 be awarded to the Opportunities Centre.

3.0 Conclusion

- 3.1 It is recommended that the above priorities be funded to a maximum of £45,200 as set out in the report.
- 3.2 It is considered appropriate, that in future years, the allocation of this funding be built into the Social Inclusion Networks timetable to ensure projects are compatible with the Council's Strategy and Objectives.

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25 October 2005