

**AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET**

**Name of Committee** Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Committee

**Date of Committee** 29 November 2006

**Report Title** Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Development Fund 2006/07

**Summary** This report makes recommendations for decision by the Area Committee for utilisation of the Community Development Fund 2006/07

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

**Background papers** Bids received

**CONSULTATION ALREADY UNDERTAKEN:-** Details to be specified

Other Committees  .....

Local Member(s)  Nuneaton and Bedworth Members

Other Elected Members  .....

Cabinet Member  .....

Chief Executive  .....

Legal  Sian Stroud

Finance  Nicolas Cumberledge, Finance Manager

Strategic Director  David Carter, Strategic Director of Performance & Development

District Councils  .....

Health Authority  .....

Police  .....

Other Bodies/Individuals

Monica Fogarty, Nick Gower-Johnson

**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.

### Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Committee 29 November 2006

#### Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Development Fund 2006/07

#### Report of the Strategic Director of Performance & Development

##### Recommendation

That the Area Committee:

Agrees to fund all eligible applications to the recommended levels as set out in **Appendix A**.

1. Introduction
  - 1.1 The arrangements for allocating the Community Development Fund have evolved over several years and this is the sixth year that applications have been dealt with by the Area Committees.
  - 1.2 This is the fourth year that the Fund has been administered directly by the Area Office. As a result of this change in operation, all eligible projects have been more closely evaluated through some personal visits and follow up audits.
  - 1.3 Applications were invited between June and the middle of September. Overall 107 applications were received for the County and of these 27 were received for Nuneaton and Bedworth representing a decrease of 12 from last year, which follows the trend for the County. This is due to signposting groups to more applicable funding sources upon their request for the forms and re launching of lottery funding sources.
  - 1.4 Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Office sent out over 100 application forms, handled over 25 enquiries 5 of which obtained a personal funding portfolio re-directing them to other more appropriate sources of funding.
  - 1.5 Consultation has been undertaken with County Council Directorates and external partners in order to clarify the relationship of applications to mainstream funding and to minimise the risk of inappropriate duplication and conflict with the priorities of the Council.

1.6 The applications have now been evaluated against the eligibility and scoring criteria set out in the application guidance. Recommendations on eligibility and the amounts of funding that applicants should receive are set out in **Appendix A**.

## 2. Eligibility and Scoring of Bids

2.1 The application arrangements require that in order to qualify for a grant an application must satisfy each of three entry criteria. Applications must:

- a) Be signed by a County Councillor (usually the local one) to confirm their support.
- b) Be for a one-off project (which will be funded only once) of lasting benefit to the community.
- c) Lie outside the responsibility of any single agency or service.

Additionally, in keeping with the spirit of the Community Development Fund and due to the usual over subscription of applications, multiple applications from any single organisation are discouraged.

2.2 The schedule at **Appendix A**, details projects eligibility, comments and suggested funding levels. The schedule at **Appendix B** details projects not recommended for funding.

2.3 Applications have been scored out of 20 possible points against a number of factors relating to:

- Location (deprivation) – up to 4 points.
- Community involvement and partnership working – up to 7 points.
- The Strategic Priorities for the area and project sustainability up to 9 points.

## 3. Allocation of Grants

3.1 The overall fund for this financial year is £167,310. This has been divided between the Areas according to a new formula agreed by Cabinet in January 2002 and subsequently reviewed by Cabinet in February 2003. This relates to the level of deprivation, the size of population and access to services within the area. The amount available for Nuneaton and Bedworth is currently £53,910.

3.2 It is suggested that this year all eligible bids scoring 7 points or more should be funded as indicated on the schedule.

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1 November 2006

Ref No	Name of Association	Description	Councillor	Division	Requested	Recommended	Eligibility	Score
CDF 06/01	Bedworth Arts Centre	To raise the profile and promote the work of the Arts Centre to a wider audience	Chattaway	Bede	£4,536.00	£1,487.00	Yes	10
CDF 06/02	North Warwickshire & Hinckley Woodturning Club	To purchase equipment to encourage new members.	Hicks	Abbey	£3,200.00	£3,000.00	Yes	10
CDF 06/04	Old Collycroft Residents Association	To get residents working together for a cleaner safer area, undertaking litterpicks, and general clean up of the Collycroft area by residents and volunteers	Chattaway	Bede	£4,515.00	£3,348.00	Yes	15
CDF 06/06	Bedworth Neighbourhood Watch	To undertake fear of crime projects, and establish new Neighbourhood Watch groups.	Chattaway	Bede	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	Yes	14
CDF 06/08	Stockingford Community Centre	Give free cycle locks to children and adults to lock their cycles	Longden	Arbury & Stockingford	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	Yes	10
CDF 06/10	Keresley Community Church	To run courses on how to manage children's behaviour positively.	McCarney	Bedworth West	£3,920.00	£3,851.00	Yes	11
CDF 06/14	Higham Lane Allotment Association	To erect security fencing in order to deter nuisance youths/intimidation and encourage more members.	Burton	St Nicolas	£5,000.00	£3,848.00	Yes	10
CDF 06/16	Nuneaton & North Warwickshire Equestrian Centre	To purchase a "cob" (very large horse) so that disabled riders over 11 stone are able to access the service. Current horses are not large/strong enough to take people who weight more than 11 stones.	Jones	Galley Common	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	Yes	13
CDF 06/17	Collycroft Methodist Church Hall	To install a burglar alarm & fire alarm systems and re decorate the Church Hall to encourage more use by community groups.	Chattaway	Bede	£5,000.00	£3,180.00	Yes	10
CDF 06/20	Warwickshire Wildlife Sanctuary	To purchase hospital unit to give more space and opportunities for people from Aim 4, schools, college scouts groups etc to get involved.	Burton	St Nicolas	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	Yes	13

## Recommended for Funding

## Appendix A

CDF 06/21	Keresley Family History Society	To purchase computers and other equipment to ensure members are given full potential to learn and increase membership	McCarney	Bedworth West	£4,977.06	£848.00	Yes	10
CDF 06/22	Crescent Youth Club	To purchase a partition/notice boards plus games equipment to make better use of the Edward Street Centre for the group.	Tandy	Wem Brook	£5,000.00	£1,848.00	Yes	10
CDF 06/26	Nuneaton Photographic Society	To purchase a digital projector so that the society can make the transition from film photography to digital photography to encourage more members especially from the younger age group.	Hicks	Abbey	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	Yes	10
CDF 06/27	The Nuneaton Arts Council	To improve the general facilities at the Abbey Theatre, the main stage, the meeting rooms to increase the number of users and shows.	Hicks	Abbey	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	Yes	10
CDF 06/07	George Eliot Community Centre Management Committee	To create a quarterly newsletter, to inform the local community of new activities/essential services/projects	Tandy	Wem Brook	£5,000.00	£3,000.00	Yes	8
CDF 06/09	DIAL Nuneaton & Bedworth	To set up a phone counselling system for people who are disabled.	Tandy	Wem Brook	£4,650.00	£3,000.00	Yes	9
CDF 06/23	Abbey Children's Centre	To extend creche provision to allow the young mums to meet socially with the aim of establishing a parents forum.	Hicks	Abbey	£2,796.00	£2,500.00	Yes	7
CDF 06/25	Nuneaton Club for Young People	To purchase equipment for martial arts group to offer free classes.	Tandy	Wem Brook	£4,327.48	£2,500.00	Yes	7

**Total****£53,910.00**

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CDF 06/03	Nuneaton & Bedworth Woodcarvers	To secure the hire of larger premises and increase advertising for the club	Haynes	Bedworth North	£1,000.00	Yes	To be referred to other sources of funding
CDF 06/11	Warwickshire Association of Youth Clubs	To run a course to encourage a positive attitude to motor vehicles	Singh	Poplar	£4,998.37	Yes	To be referred to the Youth Opportunities Fund
CDF 06/15	Manor Court Baptist Church	To undertake a feasibility study of alterations to our premises that will realise the full potential of the building	Hicks	Abbey	£5,000.00	Yes	To be referred to other sources of funding
CDF 06/19	Sycamore Counselling	Set up self help groups	Hicks	Abbey	£5,000.00	Yes	To be referred to other sources of funding
CDF 06/24	Pastels Community Café	Equipment plus volunteers expenses and paid work experience	Hicks	Abbey	£5,000.00	Yes	To be referred to other sources of funding
CDF 06/05	Park Lane Parents' Centre	To provide household electrical items, food vouchers and toiletries to vulnerable families	Jones	Arbury & Stockingford	£5,000.00	No	Issue around funding to individuals. Food parcel service already exists in partnership with WCC Social Services via Salvation Army and NOON.
CDF 06/12	"Hand in Hand"	To assist people manage money and hence manage their lives	Hicks	Abbey	£5,000.00	No	Already core fund CAB to undertake this work.
CDF 06/13	Youth With A Mission	To work alongside young people to help them develop confidence & self esteem to resist peer pressure & make safe choices in their sexual activity	Hicks	Abbey	£4,250.00	No	Already fund similar projects via Warwickshire Teenage Pregnancy Partnership .
CDF 06/18	Domestic Abuse Counselling Service	To 'Break the cycle of abuse' by providing a counselling service to both male and female perpetrators of domestic abuse	Longden	Arbury & Stockingford	£5,000.00	No	Already receiving funding from WCC via the Domestic Violence Co-ordinator.