

WEST AREA JOINT COMMITTEE**17TH JULY 2008**

Subject: Community Grants
Lead Officer: Contact Chris Wood on 01789 260640
Portfolio Holder: Councillor Chris Williams

Summary

To provide updated information on the budget available for Community Grants and details of applications received

Recommendation

That the Committee considers and awards rejects or defers grants as appropriate for the applications presented.

1 BACKGROUND/INFORMATION

- 1.1 The new criteria for a joint district and county council community grants scheme will be in place for the September round of Joint Area Committee meetings.
- 1.2 The following grant application(s) have been previously received under the SDC grants scheme and deferred from the June West Joint Committee Meeting.
- 1.3 Details of the current SDC Grants Conditions and the approved scoring system that has been used to assess this application are contained within Appendix I. The resultant scores indicate to the Committee the level of grant aid that may be considered.

2 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please note that the budget show is split between revenue and capital and includes the District Council funds only for this financial year. Budget figures incorporating County Council funds will be shown from the next round of Grant funding.

The total budgets available are detailed below. Committee is asked to consider the following grant requests:

2.1 Revenue

	Balance	Grant Request
Initial allocation	£14,960	
Previously awarded or allocated	£800	
Agreed Summer 08 Playscheme Grants		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monty's Holiday Club, Welford on Avon (£400) • Insight Summer Playscheme, Studley (£400) 		
Summer Activity Voucher Scheme	£1,700	
Alcester Folk Festival	£3,000	
Act.com	£1,540	
Earlswood Village Hall	£1,000	
Party in the Park	£2,094	
ILEAP	£850	
Total Amount Available for Allocation	£3,976	
Application No 784		
Young Enterprise South Warwickshire		
Total amount requested £4,000 34% of which is		£1,360
Total amount of new requests		£1,360
Balance to carry forward if all applications are awarded the requested amount.	£2,616	

Applicant	Young Enterprise South Warwickshire -782 - Revenue
Project	Provide educational programmes in primary and secondary schools to help young people understand and give them personal experience of how business works
SDC Corporate Aims Met	Two points Aim 1 A district where everyone shares in an improved quality of life Aim 3 A district where business and enterprise can flourish
Deprivation Mapping	
Value to Community	One Point This project benefits a significant number of users.
Equality Impact Assessment	This project is aimed at young people, however there will be no negative impact on any sector of the community
Risk Assessment	The majority of the funding is already in place and the project is therefore assessed as low risk.
Outcomes To be achieved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1300 pupils to attend the programme • 10 companies to be registered and participating in the National Trade fair in SuA • A target of 14 schools to participate in programme
Total Project Cost	£21,250
Grant Request	£1,360 (34% of the total £4,000 requested)
Financial Appraisal	Contained within blue confidential papers
Project Rating	Three points High priority – may be considered for 30% - 35% of total project cost i.e. £6,375 - £7,437 Award should be within the range of £2,168 – £2,529 representing the 34% allocation to West Committee.
Notes	As this project is district wide the application has been divided between the 3 area committees. Grant applications will be considered by the 2 other Area Committees on 15 th and 26 th July. This organisation received a grant of £2,250 from SDC in 2005. This application was submitted in November 2007 but was deferred due to lack of funds.
Further Information requested at last meeting	There is no link with Young Enterprise South Warwickshire and the County Council's Education Business Partnership within Stratford District. The WEBP mainly work in secondary schools and provide activity sessions, which are paid for by

	<p>the school.</p> <p>Y.E. provide an alternative set of programs targeting primary, secondary & special needs groups within schools. They have a company program that is not available any where else where a school group set up a company, taking up individual positions and produce a product to sell at Stratford Trade Fair. Any profit made by that company is given to charity before the company is wound up.</p> <p>Y.E. always undertake to match 50% of the costs on behalf of the school. Local grants are used directly to further reduce costs and if funding is secured they run the courses free of charge.</p>
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2.2 Capital

	Balance	Grant Request
Initial allocation	£68,000	
Previously awarded or allocated		
Tanworth in Arden Village Hall	£3,000	
Henley in Arden Tennis Club	£15,000	
Henley in Arden Guild Hall Trust	£10,000	
Bidford on Avon Cricket Club	£600	
Total Amount Available for Allocation	£39,400	
Application no 841		
Stratford On Avon Gliding Club		£5,000
Total amount of new requests		£5,000
Balance to carry forward if all applications are awarded the requested amount.	£34,400	

Applicant	Stratford on Avon Gliding Club – 841 - Capital
Project	Renovation of aging clubhouse
SDC Corporate Aims Met	One Point <i>Aim 1 A District where everyone shares in an improved quality of life</i>
Deprivation mapping	
Value to the Community	
Equality Impact	There will be no negative impact on any sector of the

Assessment	community
Risk Assessment	The club is licensed to operate on the site until 2022, with negotiations underway for a further extension. The clubhouse building is owned by the club and is moveable. The majority of funding is in place. This project is therefore assessed as low risk.
Outcomes to be achieved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide safe and secure premises • Improved accessibility • Greater energy efficiency
Total project cost	£29,000
Grant request	£5,000
Financial Appraisal	Contained within blue confidential papers
Project Rating	One point Low priority – may be considered for 10% - 15% of total project cost i.e. £2,900 - £4,350
Notes	<p>This application was previously presented to the Central Area Joint Committee where it was deferred alongside other applications until the July Meeting. A comment was raised about the location and on further investigation, the location of the club house sits on Snitterfield Airfield, within the West Area.</p> <p>The club gathers its membership from Stratford, Solihull, Leamington, Warwick and Birmingham.</p>

2.3 The grant requests are listed above. Recommended levels of grant award are shown with each individual application; however these sums may be increased or decreased at the discretion of the Committee.

3 Options available to the Committee

The Committee has the option in each case of awarding rejecting or deferring grant requests.

4 Members' Comments

4.1 Any comments received will be listed under the individual grant application.

5 Implications of the proposal

5.1 Legal/Human Rights Implications

5.1.1 There are no legal/human rights implications to this report

5.2 Financial

5.2.1 See 2.1 and 2.2 above

- 5.2.1 The grant requests are listed above. Recommended levels of grant award are shown with each individual application; however these sums may be increased or decreased at the discretion of the Committee.
- 5.3 ***Environmental***
- 5.3.1 Successful applicants will be encouraged where appropriate to adopt sound environmental principles when delivering their project
- 5.4 ***Corporate Strategy***
- 5.4.1 The extent to which each applications supports delivery of the Council's Corporate Strategy is identified within the details provided
- 5.5 ***Equality Impact Assessment***
- 5.5.1 An equality impact assessment is included with each proposal
- 6 Risk Assessment**
- 6.1 A risk assessment is included with each proposal
- 7 CONCLUSION**
- 7.1 That the Committee considers and awards rejects or defers grants as appropriate for the applications presented.

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HEAD OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

Appendix I
Grants Conditions and Approved Scoring System

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of the Local Government Act 1972.

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