DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH

CENTRAL DUDLEY AREA COMMITTEE

27 OCTOBER 2003

REPORT OF THE AREA LIAISON OFFICER

CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS

1.0 Purpose

1.1 To consider the recommendations of the Capital Allocations Working Group with regard to allocations from the Committee's capital budget and other proposals.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 The Capital Allocations Working Group met on 2 October 2003 and first considered proposals from Councillor Ms J Foster regarding the process of awarding capital applications.
- 2.2 The Working Group then considered one deferred application and 9 new applications.
- 2.3 In addition they considered outstanding requests from Councillor F. Whitehouse and former Councillor P. Hall regarding the feasibility of descriptive plaques being produced for the statues of Joe Darby and Duncan Edwards.
- 2.4 The recommendations that the Working Group are making to the Area Committee are outlined in Appendix 1.

3.0 Proposals

3.1 That the Area Committee considers the information given in Appendix 1 and approves the recommendations of the Capital Allocations Working Group.

4.0 Finance

- 4.1 The recommendations made by the Working Group result in a total expenditure of £14,754.60. This will leave a total of £66,899.73 to be carried forward within the current financial year.
- 4.2 However, because each of the 5 Wards has its own allocation to spend, the remainder per Ward is:

Castle & Priory = £12, 505.01 Netherton & Woodside = £18, 862.31 St Andrew's = £14, 140.56 St James's = £11, 389.85 St Thomas's = £10, 002.00

5.0 Law

- 5.1 Part 1 of the Local Government Act 2000 enables the Council to do anything that it considers likely to achieve the promotion or improvement of the social, environmental or economic well-being of the area.
- 5.2 Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972 enables the Council to do anything which is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to, the discharge of its statutory functions.

6.0 Equal Opportunities

6.1 This Report complies fully with the Equal Opportunities Policy of the Council.

7.0 Recommendations

7.1 That the proposals set out in Section 3.0 be approved.

8.0 Background Papers

8.1 The application forms on which this Report is based were made available to the Capital Allocations Working Group, but are confidential documents under the terms of Paragraphs 5 & 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1977.

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