Agenda Item No. 14



BRIERLEY HILL AREA COMMITTEE – 3RD APRIL 2008

REPORT OF THE AREA LIAISON OFFICER

TITLE – CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS

PURPOSE

1. To consider applications for funding from this years Capital Allocation budget and to update Members on progress to date.

BACKGROUND

2. To date, two applications have been received. The first is from the Wordsley Festival Group who are requesting £1,606 (excl VAT) to purchase two marquee tents, a computer and a printer. The second request has been received from Lunch on the Run who are requesting £3,760 (excl VAT) to upgrade their disabled toilet, to replace the cold service counter, purchase a heated food unit and to replace various items of kitchen equipment. Further details on these and any new applications received will be included in the Capital Allocations Working Group report.

FINANCE

3. The delegated budget allocation of £50,000 is funded from the Council's mainstream capital resources. The current position on expenditure from previous years will be reported verbally to the meeting by the Area Liaison Officer.

<u>LAW</u>

4. The Area Committee may incur capital expenditure by providing grants to local organisations provided it is authorised to do so by statute, for example, recreational activities under section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and generally under section 2 Local Government Act 2000 which permits a Council to do anything which improves the social, economic or environmental wellbeing of the Council's area.

EQUALITY IMPACT

5. The proposals take account of the Council's policy relating to equal opportunities.

RECOMMENDATIONS

6. That Members approve the recommendations of the Capital Allocations Working Group concerning any new requests received.

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