

CENTRAL DUDLEY AREA COMMITTEE – 16 January 2007

REPORT OF THE AREA LIAISON OFFICER

CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS

Purpose of Report

1. To consider the recommendations of the Capital Allocations Working Group with regard to allocations to organizations, from the Committee's delegated capital budget, for the financial year 2006/2007.

Background

- 2. The Capital Allocations Working Group met on 28 November 2006, and considered 6 new applications and two deferred applications.
- 3. Members representing Castle & Priory, Netherton, Woodside & St Andrew's and St James's Wards were present.
- 4. The recommendations that the Working Group are making to the Area Committee are detailed in Appendix 1.

Finance

- 5. The recommendations made by the Working Group would result in a total expenditure of £15,063.55. This would leave a total of £62,423.85 available for further grant awards during this financial year.
- 6. However, because each of the 5 Wards has its own allocation to spend, the remainder per Ward is as follows:

Castle & Priory = £ 18,410.48 Netherton, Woodside & St Andrew's = £ 0.59 Quarry Bank & Dudley Wood = £ 18,969.28 St James's = £ 14,916.85 St Thomas's = £ 10,126.65

Law

7. 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 its area.

8. Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972 enables the Council to do anything that is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive to or incidental to, the discharge of its statutory functions.

Equality Impact

9. The awarding of capital grants to community organizations has the specific purpose of creating general benefits for the wider community and, as such, fully meets the Equal Opportunities Policy of the Council.

Recommendation

- 10. It is recommended that:-
 - That the Area Committee considers the recommendations of the Capital Allocations Working Group given in Appendix 1 and approves them for implementation.
 - That the Area Liaison Officer is authorised to carry out the recommended actions within the agreed control procedures.

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List of Background Papers

 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 1972.