

**BRIERLEY HILL AREA COMMITTEE – 3RD DECEMBER 2009**

**CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS**

**REPORT OF THE AREA LIAISON OFFICER**

**PURPOSE**

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

**BACKGROUND**

2. To date, one new application has been received.
  - 2.1 Steppup Puppets, based at Amblecote Christian Centre, are requesting £4,286 to purchase various items of equipment including sound system, microphones, projector and camcorder that will allow them to deliver a range of programmes to 7–11 year olds in partnership with primary schools in the Brierley Hill area.
3. Full details on this application and any others received will be included in the Capital Allocations Working Group report

**FINANCE**

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

**LAW**

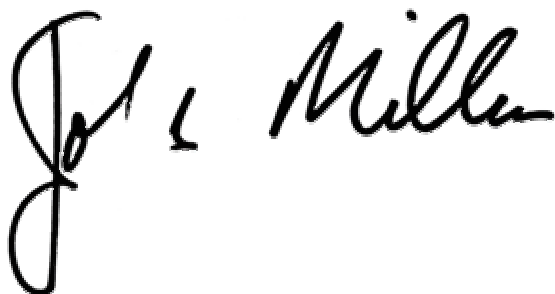
5. The Area Committee may incur capital expenditure by providing grants to local organisations provided it is authorised to do so by statute, for example, recreational activities under section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and generally under section 2 Local Government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

**EQUALITY IMPACT**

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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

7. That Members approve the recommendations of the Capital Allocations Working Group concerning the applications received.



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