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**Stourbridge Area Committee – 27th September 2010**

**Report of the Area Liaison Officer**

**Capital Allocations**

**NEW APPLICATION RECEIVED**

**1.0 Valley Road Youth Centre**

- 1.1 An application has been received from Valley Road Youth Centre based in Providence Street, Lye. The application is for £3,972 to purchase and install a pair of adjustable basketball goals. The goals would be adjustable in height in order to make the activity accessible to all young people and Centre users including those in wheelchairs.
- 1.2 Valley Road Youth Centre is a local authority owned provision sitting within the Youth Service, Directorate of Children's Services.
- 1.3 The Centre provides facilities for young people to engage in positive activities in a safe environment. It offers activities for young people between the ages of 13 and 19 (13 – 25 for young people with disabilities) to develop their personal, health and social skills. The activities are fully inclusive and are open to young people of all abilities, gender, race and sexual orientation. The centre operates open access sessions as well as specialist sessions for young people with disabilities.
- 1.4 The group currently has 124 members
- 1.5 The users pay a subscription fee to attend sessions. This money in turn helps fund activities within the youth club. Annual income generated is approximately £1,000.
- 1.6 The overall cost of the project is £7,213 and broken down as follows: Capital allocation request: £3,972. Funding from other sources – Youth Service: £1,741 and Youth Opportunities Fund: £1,500

1.7 Summary: £3,972 for a pair of adjustable basketball goals.

<b>Considerations</b>		<b>Comments</b>
Fully completed application form	yes	
Constitution provided	no	
Audited accounts/bank statement provided	no	Expenditure is within a wider area youth work budget
Assessed by Council's Accountant	n/a	
Proper quote from reputable supplier submitted	yes	
Wider community benefit	yes	Approximately 124 members
Will result in any on-going revenue costs	no	
50% Match funding	yes	
Within £5,000 limit	yes	
Has received allocation in the last 3 years.	no	
Wholly within Committee area	yes	