

25<sup>th</sup> May 2011



Cllr Desna Allen  
Chair  
Chippenham Area Board

Performance Team  
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Dear Cllr Allen and Chippenham Area Board

### **LPSA Performance Reward Grant Bid**

I am writing further to your bid for LPSA Performance Reward Grant for the Relate project. This bid was presented to the Performance Reward Grant Panel on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2011.

I am pleased to tell you that the panel has approved a contribution of £12,750 to this bid subject to certain conditions.

It was felt that there could be sustainability issues, although the bid did receive strong support from Thematic Delivery Partnerships.

The Panel agreed to set aside a contribution of half the amount asked but this is conditional on the schools agreeing to match-fund the amount.

The panel were also keen to ensure that the project are basing their approach on good evidence of what works and learn from examples of good practice elsewhere. Additional evidence should be provided to the Area Board about why they feel this approach will be successful. The Area Board should decide when to release the funds after they have seen the research evidence and received written confirmation that the schools are match-funding.

The Performance Reward Grant scheme has now finished, and the remaining funds are being transferred to the Community Area Grant Scheme. As this bid was approved under the original scheme it is important to remember that if the project does not proceed or the funds are not drawn down the £12,750 must be returned to the overall pot to benefit all area boards. The overall fund will be held by Steve Milton.

The Area Board will be expected to ensure that the funds are being spent in line with the proposals in the bid and that it is achieving the impact expected. The funds will now be transferred to the Area Board together with instructions to enable the Area Board administrator to start the process of releasing the funds to the bidders. The Area Board should ensure that they are happy that the conditions are being met before they begin the process of releasing the money.

Thank you for your interest in the Performance Reward Grant Scheme.

Yours sincerely,

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