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DEVIZES AREA BOARD 23 January, 2012

# Devizes Community Area Partnership (DCAP) Claim for Core Funding (tranche 2) 2011/2012

#### 1. <u>Purpose of the Report</u>

1.1. To seek the Board's approval to the release of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final tranche of core funding to DCAP covering the financial year 2011/12.

#### 2. <u>Background</u>

- 2.1. Officers are required to provide recommendations in a report, however the decision to support the Community Area Partnership and to what level is made by Wiltshire Councillors on this Area Board.
- 2.2. There will be 2 tranches of funding to Community Area Partnerships during 2011/12 (up to 50% of their total projected costs in each tranche).
- 2.3. Devizes Area Board has been allocated a 2011/2012 budget of £58,192 for community grants, Community Area Partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives.
- 2.4. Community Area Partnerships have been invited to apply for up to 20% of the area board budget. 20% of the Devizes Area Board budget 2011/12 is £11,638.

#### 3. <u>Main Considerations</u>

- 3.1. All Partnerships funded by Area Boards are required to sign a Community Area Partnership Agreement (CAPA), which will be countersigned by the Chair of the Area Board. Both parties from the Devizes area have now signed this agreement.
- 3.2. In order to show how the Community Area Partnership aims to meet the commitments set out in the CAPA, DCAP are required to complete a workplan. This workplan has already been reviewed and endorsed by Wiltshire Council's Community Partnership Development Officer as a workable document.
- 3.3. DCAP were awarded £5,819 first tranche funding at the 23 May, 2011 Area Board where it was agreed that the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final tranche could be requested in November, 2011 when evidence was received of how the first tranche has

been spent. This evidence, which corresponds to DCAP's Workplan commitments, is detailed in section 5 of this report.

3.4. Devizes Community Area Partnership submitted a 2011/12 claim for £11,638 total core costs and 50% of this has already been awarded and paid. The area board can therefore award up to £5,819 at this meeting.

## 4. Implications

### 4.1. Environmental Impact of the Proposals

- 4.1.2 The Community Area Partnership contributes to the continuance and improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon individual projects.
- 4.2. Financial Implications
- 4.2.1 Core costs awarded to the Community Area Partnership must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Devizes Area Board.
- 4.3. Legal Implications
- 4.3.1 There are no specific Legal implications related to this report.
- 4.4. <u>HR Implications</u>
- 4.4.1 There are no specific HR implications related to this report.
- 4.5. Equality and Diversity Implications
- 4.5.1 Community Area Partnerships have agreed to the terms of the Community Area Partnership Agreement, which requires them to be fully inclusive. Membership of DCAP is open to anyone with an interest in the community area.

## 5. <u>Evidence against Workplan commitments</u>

| Applicant                                       | Condition set at 23 May, 2011<br>Area Board meeting   | Final tranche<br>Funding<br>requested |
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| Devizes Community<br>Area Partnership<br>(DCAP) | Decision:<br>"agree to the release of the 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>tranche in November 2011 as<br>long as conditions set by the<br>Partnership Development Officer<br>and agreed by the Board, have<br>been met." | £5,819                                |

- 5.1. DCAP was set the follow actions to be used as monitoring criteria by the Community Partnership Development Officer. They were agreed in advance by the Community Area Manager and accepted by DCAP:
  - Community planning to provide an update report on work undertaken towards the new plan. e.g. how work on the two surveys and their analysis has contributed to the new plan (as per workplan: Partnership Development)
  - To report on the progress of the household survey, the successes and lessons to be learnt from the project (as per workplan: Consultation)
  - To report on the results of the open survey sent to schools gathering views of young people (as per workplan: Consultation)
  - To use the results of the household survey to determine the priorities of the local area so that they can be fed into the community plan (as per workplan: Local Action)
  - Details of the public consultations that were planned to be held over the next few months and contribute to the community plan (as per workplan: Communication)
  - Provide copies of the DCAP newsletters that have been distributed throughout the community so far this year (as per workplan: Accountability)
- 5.2. The Community Partnership Development Officer has received a report from DCAP outlining in detail the work of the partnership and each of the different thematic groups. In particular, the work relating to the recent household survey is described along with how results have been analysed and used so far both towards community planning and taking forward the work of the thematic groups.
- 5.3. The Community Partnership Development Officer has reviewed this information and is satisfied that each of the monitoring criteria have been met. The only exception to this is in the case of publishing a newsletter but the report shows that this has been considered and that DCAP does have plans for a newsletter but that this has been delayed so as to make full use of the data received via the recent surveys. This course of action is satisfactory to the Community Partnership Development Officer.

## 6. <u>Recommendation</u>

- 6.1. Following consultation with the Community Partnership Development Officer, it is recommended that the area board:
  - agree to the release of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final tranche funding of £5,819 as long as Board Members are satisfied that DCAP's workplan commitments as detailed in this report are being met

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Appendices: Appendix 1 DCAP Funding Feedback December 2011