

# **Area Board Project**

### 1. What is the Initiative?

Funding of a Pupils Voices project aimed at finding out the views and issues raised by junior school pupils in the local area. The project is being led by Extended Services (Schools) and is supported by local schools. Funding would pay for the hire of the venue for the launch event and for six handheld camcorders for pupils to use in information gathering for this long term community engagement project.

## 2. Where is the initiative taking place?

Initial conference to be held at the Leigh Park Community Centre. Further project work to be carried out in schools and pupils to report back findings at a future area board.

### 3. When will the initiative take place?

Planning has started – first meeting has been held – launch event in June.

# 4. What are the Community benefits/evidence of need/links to Community Plan/Community Issue?

The BA13 Westbury Community Area Plan (2012-17) highlights the need to encourage responsibility and involvement for where we live, e.g. work with schools.

### 5. What is the desired outcome of this initiative?

To encourage engagement and participation in the community.

### 6. Who will Project Manage this initiative?

The Pupils Voices project is led by Extended Services working with six local schools.

### 7. Costs/quotes/ match funding?

The hire of the hall is £140 while the cameras cost £85 each so the total amount needed would be £650.

#### 8. Additional information

The Voices project would be ongoing and a group of pupils would report back to a future area board with the views and findings from fellow pupils. This in turn could help influence grant funding and could initiate relevant projects