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Councillor Initiative

1. What is the Initiative?

Provision of support for young people in the Community Area who will be enabled to undertake their own projects. facilitated by extended services and through the medium of participatory budgeting

1. Where is the initiative taking place?

Melksham Community Area

1. When will the initiative take place?

2014

1. What are the Community benefits/evidence of need/desired outcomes?

The Area Board has been provided with delegated funding for Youth projects that meets with priorities identified in the community plan:

Maintain and enhance street based youth work.
Support employability of young people,
Engage and give confidence to NEETS
Encourage local support of disadvantaged young people
Ensure convenient and accessible source of advice.

Provide productive outlets for young people's energy

The budget was subsequently further delegated to extended services from 2010/2011 and extended services ran a very successful event on 14th November 2012 and subsequently on 27th November 2013. These events utilised the participatory budgeting process within a civic award ceremony and this bid plans to run a similar event next year.

In addition, working with the Town Council, Melksham Extended Services have support the Youth Development Service to provide Street Youth Workers to work in Melksham on Friday evenings throughout the year. This service would not be possible without the additional funding brought in.

1. Who will Project Manage/be responsible for this initiative?

Melksham Extended Services

1. Costs/quotes/ match funding?

Street Youth Workers Total Cost £3600, match funded by Melksham Town Council (£1800 each)
You Choose 2014 £3200
1. Additional information