

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

PEWSEY AREA BOARD

7 July, 2014

Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP) Claim for Core Funding 2014/2015

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1. To seek the Board's approval to core funding to PCAP covering the financial year 2014/15 to be agreed at this meeting, 7 July 2014, so that it can be paid into PCAP's bank account immediately.

2. Background

- 2.1. Officers are required to provide recommendations in a report, however the decision to support the community partnership and to what level, is made by Wiltshire Councillors on this Area Board.
- 2.2. There will be 1 tranche of funding to community partnerships during 2014/15. The first and only tranche is contained within this report, and should Councillors decide to award funding, will be paid immediately.
- 2.3. Pewsey Area Board has been allocated a 2014/2015 budget of £36,079 for both Capital and Revenue purposes, including community grants, community partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives.
- 2.4. Community Area Partnerships have been invited to apply for a proportion of the area board's Revenue budget. In 2014/15, the Pewsey Area Board Revenue budget is £5,187.

3. Main Considerations

- 3.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that core costs awarded in the 2014/15 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 3.2. PCAP were awarded £7,365 in 2013/2014. The balance of PCAP funds as at March, 2014 was £10,005.44. PCAP will be rolling forward £3,163.00 of this balance into 2014/15 to be spent on activities in this coming financial year in addition to any funding received from the area board. The figure being rolled forward into 2014/15 represents approximately 30% of PCAP funds. The balance remaining, £6,842.44 is an acceptable sum to hold as a reserve,

especially as PCAP now employs a part-time Co-ordinator. The Co-ordinator works 10 hours per week.

- 3.3. 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. The CAPA is to be signed by both parties at this meeting if PCAP's core funding is awarded.
- 3.4. In order to show how the community area partnership aims to meet the commitments set out in the CAPA, PCAP are required to complete a work plan. This work plan has been reviewed and endorsed by Wiltshire Council's Partnership Development Officer as a workable document.
- 3.5. PCAP's workplan shows there is much closer working between them, the Community Area Manager and Pewsey Area Board. In particular, priorities raised by the JSA event have been included in PCAP's community plan.
- 3.6. Pewsey Community Area Partnership has submitted a 2014/15 claim for £5,187 total core costs. This level of funding is within the amount of Revenue funding available within Pewsey Area Board's budget. However awarding this figure would leave Pewsey Area Board with nothing left in its Revenue budget for 2014/15.
- 3.7. If this is not an acceptable situation for the board, it may be possible to negotiate with PCAP and encourage them to roll a greater proportion of their Reserve into this financial year, thereby reducing the amount of funding requested from the board.

4. Implications

4.1. Environmental Impact of the Proposals

- 4.1.2 The community 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 partnership must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Pewsey Area Board.
- 4.2.2 If the full amount of running costs requested by PCAP is awarded at this meeting, Pewsey Area Board will have awarded its entire Revenue budget for 2014/15.

4.3. Legal Implications

- 4.3.1 There are no specific Legal implications related to this report.

4.4. HR Implications

4.4.1 There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

4.5. Equality and Diversity Implications

4.5.1 Community partnerships have agreed to the terms of the Community Area Partnership Agreement, which requires them to be fully inclusive.

5. Recommendation

The Partnership Development Officer recommends that the area board:

- approve the whole year's core funding of £5,187 with an agreement to release the whole of this figure immediately
- require that PCAP work with Pewsey Area Board to develop projects or actions that target local priorities raised by the recent JSA / What Matters To You event.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 PCAP Annual Workplan, 2014/15

Appendix 2 PCAP Budget Form, 2014/15