Item 10(b)

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Area Board Project – Fund towards celebrations for the Jubilee

1. What is the Initiative?

Corsham Area Board to agree to support the 2012 Jubilee Celebrations by voting to earmark a fund of £5,000 from the Corsham Area Board discretionary grants budget 2012/13 to be made available for villages and parishes who wish to apply for financial assistance to stage celebrations/events to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and/or the 2012 London Olympics. This will equate to £1,250 for each ward member of the Corsham Area Board. If agreed by the area board, final decisions will be delegated to the Community Area Manager in consultation with the local division member. Decisions will then be reported to the following Area Board meeting.

2. Where is the initiative taking place?

This fund will be managed by the Corsham Area Board members and will be made available to all of the villages in the Corsham Community Area. These events could be supported by town / parish councils.

3. When will the initiative take place?

During June 2012.

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

The Corsham Area Board anticipates that many of the villages within the Community Area will want to stage community events to mark these two national celebrations, and it would like to demonstrate its support for such events, on the basis that these activities will help promote the overall objectives of community engagement and cohesion.

5. What is the desired outcome of this initiative?

To support and encourage villages to organise and/or support community events associated with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the 2012 London Olympics. The key outcome that the Area Board is hoping to achieve is to strengthen neighbourhoods through increased social cohesion.

6. Who will Project Manage this initiative?

Each event could be managed by the Parish Council and/or community volunteers. The £5,000 fund will be allocated by the Corsham Area Board members and the Community Area Manager based on the merits of each application.

7. Costs/quotes/ match funding?

Each event is required to demonstrate a need for financial assistance from the Area Board, and to provide quotes and/or invoices evidencing the costs of each event.

Match funding is not a condition of this fund. However, the Area Board reserves the right to exercise discretion on each request made, and would prefer to see that financial support is secured from other local sources for each event, e.g. from the Parish Council or local business sponsor.

8. Additional information

The availability of this fund is earmarked for the specific purposes detailed above only, and the Area Board reserves the right to exercise full discretion in how this fund is applied.

The deadline for applications is 16 April 2012.

Initial applications to Dave Roberts. Community Area Manager. Dave.roberts@wiltshire.gov.uk

A draft application form template is set out at Appendix A.