



AGENDA ITEM NO:10

AVONMOUTH AND KINGSWESTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

Wednesday 24th September 2014

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Title: Wellbeing Report

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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Neighbourhood Committee:

1. notes the current Wellbeing financial statement /budget in **Item 1**
2. Approves the Wellbeing Assessment Panel funding recommendations, noting that a recommendation to fund may be tabled at the meeting **(2.3)**
3. Notes the legal information which guides all decisions about Wellbeing grant funding **(Item 3)**

1. Current Wellbeing Balance

		Running Total
Devolved budget for 2014/2015	£20,000.00	£20,000.00
Amount allocated July 2014	£3,625.00	£16,375.00
Amount allocated August 2014	£1,500	£14,875
Amount allocated September 2014	-	
Amount allocated December 2014	-	
Amount allocated March 2015	-	

2. Current Applications and Recommendations

Five funding applications have been received for this round of funding.

The Neighbourhood Partnership met informally on the 4th September to appraise the current applications. The table below is a summary of the current applications and the recommendations to the Neighbourhood Committee.

DATE OF ASSESSMENT	ORGANISATION	PURPOSE	AMOUNT RECOMMENDED
4 th Sept 2014	Avonmouth Literacy and Dyslexia Group	a group for local people who have difficulties reading and writing to meet socially, get reading and writing support and use and learn to use assistive technology	£500
Notes	Also applying to Community First for £500		
4th Sept 2014	The Rock	We wish to start up a pilot English language course; this proposed new course is aimed at teaching English to those that do not use English as their native language.	£960
Notes	Approved but want to explore how it could be sustained through connection with Learning Communities		
4th Sept 2014	Tynings Field Community Group	Funding for rotavator, polytunnel and tools	£500
Notes	£1,000 requested – panel considered the rotavator to be something the group could borrow		
Total Proposed Allocation			£1,960
2014/15 Funds remaining to allocate			£12,915
Applications not recommended			
4th Sept 2014	Avonmouth & Shirehampton Family Centre	Provide activities for children from birth to 5 years to explore sensory materials, get involved in messy play, arts and crafts, and early learning	

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		activities	
Notes	£800 requested. Panel scored well and asking for more information to come to the NP meeting to make decision on 24 th September		
4th Sept 2014	Avonmouth Village Community Projects	Lay the foundations to support an annual Christmas Tree in Avonmouth Village Park for 2014 and ongoing years .	
Notes	£2,500 requested. Panel scored well but not enough detailed breakdown at present to approve. Recommended to approach Community First		

The Neighbourhood Committee to make final decisions on the above applications

3. Legal Information

When councillors decide how the wellbeing fund is spent they should have due regard to the public sector equality duty that applies to all public bodies. This duty is contained in the Equality Act 2010 and came in to force on 6 April 2011. It replaces previous equality duties under the Sex Discrimination, Race Relations and Disability Discrimination Acts. The duty means that councillors are required to have due regard to the need to :

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited under the Act
- Promote equality of opportunity between different groups
- Foster good relations between people from different groups

The duty covers the following protected characteristics:

- Disability
- Sexual orientation
- Age
- Gender reassignment
- Religion and belief
- Sex
- Race
- Pregnancy and maternity

It also applies to marriage and civil partnership, but only in respect of the requirement to eliminate discrimination and harassment.