

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership23rd January 2012

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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Neighbourhood Committee approves the recommendations from the Brislington Wellbeing panel for the allocation of Wellbeing Funding.

- 1. The Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership has £18,979.71 available funding in the Wellbeing Budget. This figure is higher than anticipated for this time of year due to money being returned recently from projects that did not happen, or that didn't use all of the money.
- 2. The Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership has a Wellbeing Panel that meets to discuss funding applications received and to make recommendations to the Neighbourhood Committee for allocating the funding. The panel is made up of local residents and councillors. The panel met on 4th January 2012 and made the recommendations contained in the table below:

		Applicant	Amount applied for	Purpose	Amount of grant recommended
	1	Wick House	£1990.23	Integrated community kick start project	£1990.23 subject to safeguarding policy being produced
	2	Arnos Vale Cemetery	£1212.75	Wild tales project for local families	£1212.75
I	3	BEC	£1440	Sports leadership	£1400 – more

			course	information requested about community sports days
4	Brooklea / Wicklea words and art for health	£2750	Costs to run art group for people with health needs	£0 – monitoring not returned and project is not sustainable
5	Datura Dance	£1840	Music and movement workshops for pupils at BEC	£0 – deferred to next time
6	5 th St Lukes Scouts	£2000	Fencing and groundworks to land around scout hut	£2000
	TOTAL	£9232.98		£6,602.98

- 3. If the Neighbourhood Committee approves the panel recommendations, there will be £12,376.73 remaining in the budget. The panel has proposed that at the next meeting on 29th February 2012 they will consider both wellbeing applications and also other projects in the Neighbourhood Partnership action plans to help them to allocate the remaining money.
- 4. The remaining balance in the Wellbeing fund (after applications are considered and recommended) will be split 50/50 between the two wards and the Neighbourhood Committee will decide what the money will be allocated on at the March NP meeting.

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.