



AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

**GREATER BRISLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP
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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Neighbourhood Partnership approves the recommendations from the Brislington Wellbeing panel for the allocation of Green Capital Funding.
2. To allocate £200 for a proposed South Bristol ‘conference’

1. The Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership has **£4,000** available funding in the Green Capital Budget.
2. The Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership has a Wellbeing Panel that meets to discuss Green Capital funding applications received and to make recommendations to the Neighbourhood Partnership for allocating the funding. The panel is made up of local residents and councillors.
3. The panel met on 24 November 2014 and made the recommendations contained in the table below:

	Applicant	Amount applied for	Purpose	Amount of grant recommended
1	Woodcroft Community Orchard	£5,000	Facility Improvements Project	Not recommended

2	CSV	£1,600	Green Playdays	£1,600
3	Soil Association	£2,200	The Big Picnic	£2,200
	TOTAL	£8,800	Total Recommended	£3,800
			Remaining Budget	£200

4. There is a further request for a 'conference' for the 5 South Bristol Neighbourhood Partnerships, perhaps early next year. This is suggested that it be part of the Green Capital programme and might look at issues around active travel (cycling, walking, buses and trains) both inside particular communities and as ways of linking communities across the south.

5. It could also look at wildlife corridors and biodiversity which is also often linked to longer term walking routes. Therefore, assuming £1000 total cost that would be £200 per Neighbourhood Partnership.

6. Can the Neighbourhood Partnership indicate if they are willing to allocate £200 for the proposed 'conference'?

7. The next Green Capital Fund deadline for applications is 20 February 2015, with the panel meeting for recommendations on 16 March 2015. This is subject to any funds remaining.

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.