



Agenda Item No.7

Neighbourhood Partnership Henbury and Southmead 22nd September 2014

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Title: Wellbeing Fund Report (Southmead and Henbury/Brentry)

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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Neighbourhood Committee:

1. notes the current Wellbeing financial statement /budget in **(1)**
2. Approves the Southmead Wellbeing Assessment Panel funding recommendations, noting that a recommendation to fund may be tabled at the meeting **(2.3)**
3. Approves the funding Recommendations from the Henbury/Brentry Wellbeing Assessment Panel set out in Item 3 and the recommendation not to fund **(3.3)**
4. Notes the contributions which the projects recommended for funding make to fulfil the public sector equality duty **(4)**
5. Notes the legal information which guides all decisions about Wellbeing grant funding **(5)**
6. Notes for information the decisions made about the 2014/145 Community First funding in **(6)**
7. Notes the proposed deadlines for the next round of Wellbeing and Community First Funding **(7)**

Context

From April 2010 the Council allocated the Wellbeing budget to the Neighbourhood Partnership. All final decisions on spend will need to be brought to and agreed by councillors at Neighbourhood Partnership meetings. In the case of this Neighbourhood Partnership the Southmead

Steering Group has set up a sub group (including ward councillors) to appraise all Southmead grant applications and Henbury & Brentry Community Council NP elected resident members and ward councillors appraise all Henbury/Brentry applications and brings recommendations to these meetings for final decision. Only then can any money be released.

1 Financial Situation

For the financial year 2014/2015 this Neighbourhood Partnership has been allocated a total of £20,000 as a Wellbeing budget. The Partnership have agreed to allocate this as follows: £10,000 each to support work in Southmead and Henbury wards (adjusted below to reflect a Henbury/Brentry carry-over of a small under-allocation of £113 and Southmead a small over-allocation of £27 from 2013/14)

Financial summary as at 30th June 2014

Henbury/Brentry Wellbeing Fund	
Wellbeing Funds to allocate 2014/15	£10,113
Wellbeing spend approved 11.03.14	£450
Wellbeing spend approved 14.07.14	£6,605
Fund remaining	£ 3,058

Southmead Wellbeing Fund	
Wellbeing Funds to allocate 2014/15	£9,973
Wellbeing spend approved 11.03.14	£1,740
Wellbeing spend approved 14.07.14	£5,133
Fund remaining	£3,100

Total Wellbeing Funds remaining to allocate	£6,158
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2 Southmead Wellbeing Fund recommendations:

- 2.1 The Southmead Steering Group Wellbeing Assessment Panel assessed by e-mail. Declarations of interest were declared as appropriate.
- 2.2 The Panel received 1 application requesting a total of **£2,000**.
- 2.3 **Recommendation: That the Councillors in the Neighbourhood Committee support the recommendation of the Southmead Steering Group to allocate £2,000 from the 2013/2014 Wellbeing Fund allocation for the applications received as follows:**

DATE OF ASSESSMENT	ORGANISATION	PURPOSE	AMOUNT RECOMMENDED
Sept 2014	The Mead	Improving communication between residents and between residents and statutory/voluntary organisations – two issues of the Mead	£2,000
Total Proposed Allocation			£2,000
2014/15 Funds remaining to allocate			£1,100
	Southmead Hospital Charity	Paint and art supplies; kitchen equipment; skin care products; towels & bathrobes; aromatherapy supplies	£250
Notes	This application has yet to be assessed – a recommendation will be tabled at the NP meeting on 22 nd September		

3. Henbury and Brentry Wellbeing Fund recommendations

3.1 The Henbury and Brentry Wellbeing Assessment Panel met on 8th September 2014 to assess applications for Wellbeing Funding to deliver work to benefit Henbury and Brentry residents. Declarations of interest were declared as appropriate

3.2 The Panel received 3 applications requesting a total of **£7,951**.

3.3 Recommendation: That the Councillors in the Neighbourhood Committee support the recommendations of the Henbury and Brentry Wellbeing Assessment Panel to allocate £6,605 from the 2013/2014 Wellbeing Fund allocation for Henbury/Brentry as follows:

DATE OF ASSESSMENT	ORGANISATION	PURPOSE	AMOUNT RECOMMENDED
08/09/2014	169th Bristol Scout Group (Brentry)	Update of Archery Equipment and Storage	£638.66
Notes	Conditional on advertising the archery club to whole community in next H&Brentry newsletter and publicity on community noticeboards and encouraging wider community access to use the archery		
08/09/2014	Henbury & Brentry Community Council	Supporting Christmas Crackers 2014	£350
08/09/2014	Bristol Saracens	A new boiler for the showers	£2,069.34
Notes	Club will take boiler to new premises in event of them moving because of Sth Gloucestershire development. There will be a 2-5year gap before any move would take place.		
Total Proposed Allocation			£3,058
2013/14 Funds remaining unallocated			£0

Applications not recommended for funding			
DATE OF ASSESSMENT	ORGANISATION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	REASON
08/09/2014	Southmead Hospital Charity	£250	Panel felt that the equipment requested could be donated by corporate sponsors – but asks the Charity to present request for volunteers to the H&B Community Council meeting

4. The following table sets out the principal benefits to Equalities groups and groups with protected characteristics as described in Section 5 of this report:

PROJECT	CONTRIBUTION TO EQUALITIES
The Mead	Accepts articles from any group/community within the magazine and delivers to every house in Southmead, making sure everyone gets the same information
169th Bristol Scout Group (Brentry)	Young people – large proportion from very low income families

PROJECT	CONTRIBUTION TO EQUALITIES
Henbury & Brentry Community Council	Benefits all who attend; none are excluded
Bristol Saracens	Facilities used by women's rugby and hockey clubs; 200 7-19 year old club users; ex-offenders play in club teams; limited disabled access (no accessible toilet); welcome anyone to play rugby;

5. 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.

6. Henbury/Brentry Community First (for information only)

6.1 The Henbury Community First Panel also met on 8th September and considered 3 applications seeking a total of **£928.66**

6.2 The 2014/15 Community First Allocation is: **£11,309**. Henbury and

Brentry was also successful in applying for an additional **£1,500**, making the total allocation for 2014/15 **£12,809**.

6.3 A total of **£5,900** was allocated in July 2014, leaving a total of **£6,909** to allocate by **end December 2014**

6.4 The website on which Community First is advertised and updates are posted and application forms can be accessed is:

<http://henburybrentrycommunity.org.uk/wordpress/?cat=32>

DATE OF ASSESSMENT	ORGANISATION	PURPOSE	AMOUNT AGREED
08/09/2014	Henbury Healthy Walking Group	Henbury Former Walkers Re-union	£290
08/09/2014	Henbury Football Club	purchase kitchen equipment, along with the appropriate flooring surface	£2,481
Totals			£2,771
2014/15 Fund remaining			£4,138

6.5 This is the last year of the Community First Fund. All applications must be submitted by end December 2014 and all project spend must be completed by end February 2105

6.6 In the light of this the Henbury/Brentry Community First Panel agreed to hold an additional funding round for the end of September 2014.

7. Next Wellbeing and Community First Funding application deadlines

The next deadline will be: **Friday 7th November 2014**

For Community First in Henbury/Brentry: **Friday 26th September 2014**
: **Friday 7th November 2014**