



AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

**STOCKWOOD, HENGROVE & WHITCHURCH
NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP
17th SEPTEMBER 2014**

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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Neighbourhood Committee approves the recommendations from the panel for the allocation of s106 Community Buildings Funds for Stockwood.

1. The Neighbourhood Partnership has £5,075.15 available funding in s106 for the provision of alternative community facilities in the Stockwood Area
2. The Neighbourhood Partnership organised a panel that met to discuss s106 Community Buildings funding applications received and to make recommendations to the Neighbourhood Committee for allocating the funding. The panel was made up of local residents, councillors and the BCC Community Buildings manager.
3. The panel met on 2nd September 2014 and made the recommendations contained in the table below:

Applications:

	Applicant	Amount applied for	Purpose	Amount of grant recommended
1	Counterslip Baptist Church	£8,000	Redevelopment Feasibility Study	Not recommended
2	Southern Links Children's Centre	£5,075	Garden Project – 'tree house'	tbc
3	Stockwood Free Church	£2,305.20	Projector and two screens	£2,305.20
	TOTAL	£15,380.20		£tbc
			Funds Remaining	£tbc

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.