



MY NEIGHBOURHOOD

**Greater Fishponds Neighbourhood Partnership
Thursday 8th December 2016**

Report of: Subgroup Chairs, Neighbourhood Co-ordinator.

Title: NP Activities- Business Report

Recommendation:

- 1- **Transformers Fund:** NP to accept Transformer's Youth Fund and administer through the Wellbeing Process as per the conditions within the report. NP members to agree proposal to allocate the funds.
- 2- **Wellbeing Grant Applications:** NC is asked to decide the Wellbeing Grant applications received since October 2016.
- 3- **Traffic & Transport update:** NP members to note progress and NC to approve subgroup recommendation to allocate Neighbourhood Budget & S106.
- 4- **Environment Subgroup:** NP members to note progress and NC to approve subgroup recommendations as tabled at the meeting.

Part 1: Transformers Youth Fund:

- 1- Avon and Somerset Police Community Trust have been managing the Transformers fund, a small grant aimed at working with young people and delivering youth activities. The Trust, have found that it has been difficult to attract enough projects, and have agreed to devolve £5,000 of the fund to each of Bristol's Neighbourhood Partnerships.
- 2- The fund would be administered through the Wellbeing Small Grants Process, and can be allocated from December this year. All funds must be allocated by March 2017 and all projects must be finished by February 2018. Monitoring must be submitted by applicants one month after the end of their project the last monitoring should be received no later than 20th March 2018.
- 3- In addition to the Well Being Small Grants criteria the following additional criteria must be adhered to:
 - Applicant should be working with identified group of young people
 - Applicant should identify a priority from the relevant Neighbourhood Partnership Plan
 - Outcomes should benefit young people in their local Neighbourhood Partnership Area
 - Where possible outcomes should benefit youth provision
 - Projects should be celebrated/showcased as part of other NP events, for example at NP led community events/as part of the NP meeting/other celebratory activities.
 - The Avon and Somerset Police Community Trust want to see copies of all monitoring information after projects have been delivered.
- 4- The NP is hereby asked to accept the Transformer's Youth Fund.
- 5- Given the timescales involved the Neighbourhood Partnership Co-ordinator met with Young People rep on the NP Board along with Creative Youth Network and BCC Children Young People Families.
- 6- The group discussed proposals to set-up local Young People Panel/Forum, where young people could discuss engagement opportunities & project proposals for the Transformer's Youth Fund. For more information about the proposal see appendix 1.

- 7- Creative Youth Network kindly agreed to facilitate this proposal and is willing to support the set-up of young people led panel. This entails administering and holding the funding on behalf of young people, keeping record of projects for monitoring purposes and aiding young people to implement their projects.
- 8- The NP is hereby asked to transfer the Transformer Youth Funding to Creative Youth Network, with the proviso they complete the Wellbeing Application, which will be assessed by the Wellbeing Panel electronically to check eligibility.

Part 2: Wellbeing Grant Applications:

- 9- The Wellbeing Grant panel meeting was on Monday 28th November 2016. Only one member attended the meeting.
- 10- It was felt minimum of two members were needed for the panel to make formal recommendations to the Neighbourhood Committee. Comments from the panel member are included into this report.
- 11- At present the total amount of Wellbeing Grant available for 2016/17 financial year is £17,206.53.
- 12- In total 9 Wellbeing Grant applications were received with total value of £25,428. The panel were advised one of the applications was referred to the Traffic and Transport subgroup. Total value of the remaining eight is £14,928.00. The list of applications along with comments is summarised in the table shown below "Funding Appraisal Top Sheet".
- 13- The NC is asked to decide Wellbeing Grant applications summarised in the table shown below.

Greater Fishponds NP Wellbeing Sub-group: Funding appraisal Top sheet 08/12/16

Name of organisation	What's the funding for? Brief summary of project	Amount requested	Amount recommended	Comments
Bristol Noise	The Noise would like to organise a Fun afternoon in Fishponds area. This event is open to all sections of the community and the aim is to encourage a positive sense of community spirit by bringing people from all ages and backgrounds together. The funding will be used to pay for hiring inflatable games, face painting, craft materials, tool hire and tipper truck hire.	£500		Where in Fishpond is this taking place? Who is it benefiting?
ParkWork	ParkWork will be working and supporting local residents and Friends of Eastville Park to organise regular volunteer sessions once a week. These sessions will involve tree planting, footpath maintenance, bench restoration, tree pruning, weeding, etc. The funding will be used to pay for vehicle hire, fuel, tools maintenance, clothing and hire of yard.	£3,108		
Eastville Park Methodist Church	This project is aiming to improve the community facilities available at the New Place in Eastville. The funds will be used to replace fluorescent lighting with LED lights and to replace fan radiator in room used by children group.	£2,600		
Begbrook Retirement Club	The group would like to build on the successes they achieved the last few years. They would like to continue to offer the trips the club organised for elderly community members. The funding will be used to pay for 4 couch trips, printer, foldable tables, volunteer expenses and £250 will be used to provide 3 years website hosting for the GFNP Website.	£1,670		Core group activities and proposal to renew the NP website hosting should be separated.
Holy Trinity Church Stapleton	The group would like to improve the community facility available at the Stapleton Hall site. Funding will be used to replace rotten railway wagon currently used to store toys with suitable shed and provide fencing to create a safe and secure outdoor play space.	£2,500		3 quotes should be provided as a good practice.
Freemantle Rd Resident Association	The group would like to redress speeding issues along Freemantle Rd by introducing traffic calming measures, including street carpeting and encouraging cycling by providing lockable bikehangers. Funding will be used to pay for materials and workshop for the Street carpeting and to purchase 2 Bike Storage units.	£10,500	0.00	NPC recommended referring this to the Traffic and Transport subgroup.

Crime Prevention Group	This is relevantly new group emerging to respond to recent high profile criminal case. The aim is to encourage parents to change their culture and approach in dealing with young people in danger being recruited in drugs and street gang. Funds will be used to organise 8 prison trips, workshops for parents and DBS checks for volunteers.	£2,700		Safeguarding policies required. How many people involved in the group?
Snuff Mills Action Group	The group would like to replace dilapidated picnic bench in Snuff Mills. This will be done using ParkWork services to enable and present an opportunity to people who would like to develop their skills to seek new employment opportunities. Funding will be used to pay for transport, trainer, timber and fixings.	£1,600		
In the Pink	This project is aiming to benefit women who are 60+ in order to keep fit and active. Funding will be used to contribute towards the cost of hiring qualified tutor. Total cost of the project is approximately £510.00	£250		Condition should be set to say we are contributing to the qualified tutor.

14- The following table sets out the principal benefits to Equalities groups and groups with protected characteristics as described in Section D of the application form. Protected characteristics the Equalities Act 2010 covers are age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

PROJECT	CONTRIBUTION TO EQUALITIES
Bristol Noise	This project is targeting all sections of the community, extra effort is proposed to cater for and attract young people and older community members, who are covered by the Equalities Act 2010.
ParkWorks	This project is targeting all protected characteristics, it will have positive health and wellbeing benefits particularly for the elderly community members.
Eastville Park Methodist Church	The New Place is used as a local community centre, the building is one of few accessible community buildings in the neighbourhood and it is used by elderly community members, vulnerable community members, parents with children and people of faith. All who belong to the protected characteristics covered in the Equalities Act 2010.
Begbrook	This group caters for the elderly community members, in particular widows. Many of their members

PROJECT	CONTRIBUTION TO EQUALITIES
Retirement Club	are also disabled. It is open to all, irrespective of colour, religion or sexual orientation. Their service users are one of the protected characteristics covered by the 2010 Equalities Act.
Holy Trinity Church Stapleton	This project involves improving one of the few community accessible building in the Stapleton neighbourhood. The community hall is used by luncheon club and Stay and Play Group. Both groups are covered by the Equalities Act 2010.
Crime Prevention Group	This project is aiming to benefit hard to reach community group. It is targeting single mothers, BME parents and young people. The project is open to all sections of the community and outcomes are likely to benefit wider community. The target group are one of the protected characteristics, which is covered by the Equalities Act 2010.
Snuff Mills Action Group	This project involves installing accessible picnic table at one of the most stunning locations in the NP area. This is an inclusive project, which will benefit people with disabilities who are covered by the 2010 Equalities Act.
In the Pink	This project is catering for women who are 60+. The project will benefit one of the protected characteristics covered by the 2010 Equalities Act.

15- If the NC approves all the Wellbeing Grant applications the NP will have £2,278.53 remaining for the rest of 2016/17 financial year.

Part 4: Traffic and Transport Update:

16- The Traffic and Transport subgroup met on Wednesday 23rd Nov 2016.

17- The group were notified that the amount of Neighbourhood Budget available is £35,321.75.

18- Main items for discussion were proposals from Freemantle Road Resident Association (FRRA); Highways Department, Public Rights of Way team (PRoW) and a resident from Radley Rd.

19- The group welcomed the proposal from FRRA. The project entails resident led initiative to redress speeding issues along Freemantle Rd by introducing traffic calming measures, including street carpeting and encouraging cycling by providing lockable bikehangars. The group is seeking funding to pay for materials and workshop for the Street Carpeting and to purchase 2 Bike Storage units. Following discussion FRRA representative agreed to carry out further research into the Bikehangars initiative and to link with a pilot project currently taking place in Bristol, facilitated by BCC. See table shown below for the group's recommendation.

20- The group also considered a request from Highways department to replace signage in the vicinity of M32 Junction 2 roundabout to reflect the new roundabout layout (see appendix 2) and to carryout repairs on carriageway surface in some areas, as part of the process for taking off old white lining with the new layout.

21- Although the group were disappointed about the Highways request, as it shows lack of anticipation to incorporate it into the initial project costs. The group agreed that they would like the carriageway to be reinstated to a safe standard and signs to reflect new road layout.

22- The NC is hereby asked to make decision as shown below.

2016/17 Neighbourhood Budget available 2016/17			£35,321.75
NP Plan Priority:	Activity/Description of works	Amount £	Running Balance £
Priority 1: Pedestrian safety	FRRA require funding to pay for materials and workshops for developing street carpeting design to reduce speeding along Freemantle Rd.	£500	£34,821.75
Priority 1: Pedestrian safety Project 4: Roundabout traffic flow improvement. Lane layout and traffic signals at M32 junction 2.	To install signage, which reflect the new roundabout layout and to repair carriageway surface in some areas, as part of the process for taking off old white lining with the new road layout.	£10,000	£24,821.75
Remaining Neighbourhood Budget			£24,821.75

- 23- The group welcomed proposal from PRow team, which involves the release of £104,151.87 of S106 monies in relation to the St Matthias Campus, Fishponds, Planning Application 14/02640/F.
- 24- The PRow team would like to develop suitable scheme which conforms to conditions attached to the S106 “the provision of improvements to public right of way 156 between the development at Halfpenny Bridge”. See appendix 3 for the full proposal.
- 25- In principle the Traffic and Transport subgroup supports the proposal, however commented that they would like the proposal to entail in keeping with the existing landscape and is accessible all year round with wide footpaths. The proposal is also tabled at the next Environment Subgroup.
- 26- The NC is asked to approve recommendations from the Traffic and Transport subgroup summarised in the table shown below.

<u>2016/17 S106 Funding available 2016/17:</u> 14/02640 / Former St. Matthias College, Fishponds / ...SC39			<u>£104,151.87</u>
NP Plan Priority:	Activity/Description of works	Amount £	Running Balance £
Priority 3: The NP area has quality Parks and play areas accessible to all: Activity 6: Accessibility: Improve Public Right of Way for all	“the provision of improvements to public right of way 156 between the development at Halfpenny Bridge”.	£104,151.87	£0.00
Remaining S106 14/02640 Former St. Matthias College			£0.00

- 27- Finally the subgroup considered proposal to plant 2-4 street trees along Radley Rd, in an effort to deter vehicles from parking on pavement and to reduce speeding along Radley Rd.

28- Whilst the group acknowledge what the resident is try to achieve, the group felt the proposal is not likely to achieve the desired outcome and planting such trees in an area with higher footfall would benefit more people.

Part 5: Environment Subgroup

29- The Environment Subgroup will be meeting on Wednesday 30th November 2016.

30- The group is expected to discuss S106 funding for 156 PRow improvements between St Matthias College Development and Halfpenny Bridge. They will also consider proposal to release S106 from Roegate House development to improve parks and open spaces.

31- Full proposals and recommendation from the subgroup will be tabled at the meeting.