

CENTRAL DUDLEY AREA COMMITTEE – 10 March 2009

REPORT OF THE AREA LIAISON OFFICER

CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS - RECOMMENDATIONS

Summary of New Applications by Ward

CASTLE & PRIORY WARD

1. Limes Road Club

The recommendation is that this group be awarded a capital grant of **£499.00** to purchase a replacement laptop computer.

2. Community Speed Watch c/o West Midlands Police

The recommendation is that this group be awarded a capital grant of **£5,000.00**, but only on the proviso that the amount is match-funded by Division J1 (Dudley North) of the West Midlands Police. The total sum of £10,000.00 will then be used to buy 2 hand-held speed-meters, high visibility jackets and portable road signs.

3. Wrens Nest Community Centre

The recommendation is that this group be awarded a capital grant of **£3, 223.45** to purchase a replacement industrial size dishwasher.

NETHERTON, WOODSIDE & ST ANDREWS WARD

4. Age Concern, Dudley

The recommendation is that this group be awarded a capital grant of **£3,420.87** to purchase replacement furniture, mainly tables and chairs, for their Netherton Centre.

ST THOMAS'S WARD

5. Hindu Cultural Association

The recommendation is that this group be awarded a capital grant of **£7,200.00** to enable them to install central heating on the second floor of their building, but only on the proviso that they can show that the necessary building repairs,

particularly to the roof of the building, have been completed. The building structure must be in a stable condition before heating can be installed.

ALL WARDS

6. Barnardo's Time for Me Project

The recommendation is that this application for **£900.00** sent out to all Area Committees by the Brierley Hill Area Committee be refused.

The purpose of the application is to improve the facilities of the Source Youth Centre in Wordsley and although the Time for Me Project may bring in young people from all over the Borough, the 419 children and young people who use the centre each week are largely from within the locality or the boundaries of the Brierley Hill Area Committee.

There is an agreement between the Area Committees that each will wholly support organizations that are based within their own area, even though they may offer Borough-wide support to the citizens of Dudley. Central Dudley Area Committee, because it includes Dudley Town itself, does have many large organizations of that type based within its boundaries, but which it grant-aids entirely from its own resources.

Summary of Resubmitted Applications by Ward

QUARRY BANK & DUDLEY WOOD WARD

7. 1st Quarry Bank Scout Group

The recommendation is that this group be re-awarded a previously agreed **£3,000.00**, but for an entirely different purpose, that is, to contribute towards replacement flooring in the scout hut.

The original purpose of this grant was to provide 25% of the cost of external works on drains, paths and ramps, but the group were unable to adequately fund the remainder, hence this re-focussed application.

Summary of Deferred Applications

NETHERTON, WOODSIDE & ST ANDREW'S WARD

8. Families Of Highgate

The recommendation is that this application for £900.00 be refused because after almost a year of trying to obtain exact information on the purpose of the grant, that information has not been forthcoming.

ST JAMES'S WARD

9. Dynamic time Out

The recommendation is that this application for £9,629.99 be put into abeyance without any further reference to it, until such time as the Youth Service can advise the Committee that its particular grants dispute with this group has been satisfactorily resolved.

ST THOMAS'S WARD

10. 347 (Dudley) Squadron Air Training Corps

The recommendation is that this group be awarded a capital grant of **£5,000.00** to contribute towards the purchase of a replacement minibus.