

CENTRAL DUDLEY AREA COMMITTEE – 20 January 2009

REPORT OF THE AREA LIAISON OFFICER

CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS - RECOMMENDATIONS

1.0 Summary of Deferred Applications by Ward

NETHERTON, WOODSIDE & ST ANDREWS

1.1 Families of Highgate (PTA Management Committee)

The recommendation is that this application be deferred again to request clarification from the Head Teacher of Woodside Community School & Children's Centre, since no reply has been received from the designated contact persons.

ST JAMES'S

1.2 Dynamic Time Out

The recommendation is that any further consideration of this grant be put into abeyance until there is a resolution of the grant issues between this Group and the Council's Youth Service.

ST THOMAS'S

1.3 347 (Dudley) Squadron Air Training Corps

The recommendation is that this application be deferred again, to see if they will reply to a second request for more information about their funds.

2.0 Summary of New Applications by Ward

NETHERTON, WOODSIDE & ST ANDREWS

2.1 Ebenezer Baptist Church – Netherton

The recommendation is that this group be awarded a capital grant of **£4,900.00** to contribute towards the costs of installing a disabled toilet in a Hall well used by the local community.

2.2 St Andrew's Church – Netherton

The recommendation is that this group be awarded a capital grant of **£6,500.00** to contribute towards repairs to the tower clock, as it is a community facility.

ST THOMAS'S WARD

2.2 Vicar Street Bible Class

The recommendation is that the grant requested by this group of £3935.00 be refused. The application was for retrospective funding for a stained glass panel commemorating Bert Bissell MBE.

There is already a public memorial to Bert Bissell in Coronation Gardens and the Committee do not normally award retrospective funding, because if an organization has obtained the necessary funding elsewhere, it should not be seeking public funding to cover its costs.

However, the organization will be encouraged to submit other capital allocations, including an alternative community commemoration of Bert Bissell, if they wish.