

WEST AREA COMMITTEE – 10 MARCH 2010

Title of paper:	Community Chest Awards – Successful Applications	
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Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:		
World Class Nottingham		
Work in Nottingham		√
Safer Nottingham		√
Neighbourhood Nottingham		√
Family Nottingham		√
Healthy Nottingham		√
Serving Nottingham Better		√
Summary of issues (including benefits to customers/service users):		
This report informs the Committee of the successful applications for this years community chest awards.		
Recommendation:		
1	That the Committee note the applications for the West Area Community Chest awards that have been supported for the year 2009/2010.	
2	That the Area Committee agree to an additional £1,287.28, from the Environmental, Economic and Social Well Being budget to be made available for the West Area Community Chest to ensure all entries, as approved by councillors, can be supported.	
3	It is recommended that the Committee approve the funding for Old Park Farm Garden Holders Association of £623	

1 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The West Area Community chest award is a one-off grant to support individuals or community groups to develop unique activities within their community or to resolve local issues. This committee approved £15,000 at its meeting in July 2009 towards this initiative.
- 1.2 25 applications were received from across the West Area requesting a total amount of £22,311.23 as detailed in Appendix 1. From these initial applications councillors have agreed to support 20 applications amounting to £16,287.88, as listed in Appendix 1.
- 1.3 A project that has requested community chest funding but can be supported from other Area Committee budgets are identified in Appendix 2.
- 1.4 All applicants who applied for community chest awards have been sent a letter from the West Area Chair to inform them of the councillors decision. An event will be held on the 31 March 2010 at the Council House to present the successful applicants with their grants and councillors are requested to attend this event.

2 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

The West Area community chest awards were publicised across all wards through community groups, partners and the community arrow. Councillors have been consulted and the final applications selected are based on the majority view. Based on the applications supported by councillors an additional £1287.28 is needed.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

None

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY)

The West Area community chest awards has a budget of £15,000 agreed by the Area Committee in July 2009. The additional £1,287.28 required to support all applications received and approved by councillors can be met from the Environmental, Economic and Social Well-being budget, which currently stands at £18,000, not including allocations made anywhere else on this agenda.

The £623 for the project in Appendix 2 can be met from the Bilborough Public Realm budget, which currently stands at £15,000, not including allocations made anywhere else on this agenda.

5 RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS AND EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS)

The Neighbourhood Action Team will ensure the money granted through the community chest awards is spent to deliver the outcomes set out in the applications received. All applicants will be required to provide evidence of spend.

6 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

None

7 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

None

APPROVED WEST AREA COMMUNITY CHEST APPLICATIONS 2009/2010

Contact Organisation Group or individual	Proposal	Amount	Details	Decision of Councillors
1.Aspley Miles Better. Patricia Ferguson	To purchase items to support the sale organic produce from local allotments and farmers to people living in the west area	£961.00	The items to be purchased will enable the group to extend the range of produce it will be able to sell to local people at a reasonable price.	To support the project
2.The Vine Community Centre Mrs Diane Elsie Moore	To purchase equipment that will enable the project to support entries from multi faith groups into future bloom initiatives and environmental improvements by volunteers within their neighbourhoods.	£1,000	The items required are considered to be essential to achieve a successful programme of activities focussed around environmental improvements and engagement with local communities. The project will help improve community cohesion between different religious groups.	To support the request for funding
3.Ainsley Area Residents Association Michael Thomas	A Community Cohesion Trip for local residents to travel to Skegness. It is anticipated that 25 adults and 10 children will be supported.	£600	The money required would contribute to travel costs and the visit will be open to all residents of all ages.	To support the project

<p>4.Windmill Garden Holders Association</p> <p>Mrs Beverley Manson</p>	<p>Following the death of a Windmill gardener in January 08 the association has agreed to turn the empty overgrown plot into a community garden in memory of the deceased.</p>	<p>£1,000</p>	<p>The refurbished garden will be used for meetings, competitions and family fun days. The plot would also be used as a nursery for all types of planting cuttings and seedlings to the benefit of everyone including the local community. The members have agreed to provide their time and energy to bring the project to fruition.</p>	<p>To support the project</p>
<p>5.Shanika Crusz</p> <p>(Albert Ave Alive Street project)</p>	<p>To enable local residents to participate in preparing hanging baskets and other environmental improvement works</p>	<p>£848</p>	<p>The project would like to involve members of the community from all age groups and households to develop a strong social network through a common interest in horticulture. An important outcome would be to improve the local surroundings and increase the sense of pride in the area discouraging litter, vandalism and dog fouling.</p>	<p>The project is supported</p>
<p>6.Bilborough Community Boxing Club</p> <p>Ray Ricketts</p>	<p>To purchase boxing equipment to continue to run sessions at the Bilborough Boxing Club</p>	<p>£1,000</p>	<p>The boxing club has now been operating for over 6 years. Much of the equipment thanks to the large membership and extended sessions that are run is becoming worn. The resources required are to upgrade these items.</p>	<p>Support the project</p>

<p>7.Scots Grey Amateur Boxing Club</p> <p>The Rose Pub</p> <p>Joseph Evans</p>	<p>To purchase new boxing equipment for the club</p>	<p>£920</p>	<p>The club is to be based at The Rose Pub which has been notorious for anti social behaviour and is frequented by many local people. The resources will strengthen the clubs ability to offer high quality boxing training.</p>	<p>The project be supported</p>
<p>8.Bilborough Community Association</p> <p>Jayne Hill</p>	<p>To go towards the upkeep and improvements to the Towle Memorial Garden as they go for a green pennant award</p>	<p>£1,000</p>	<p>The garden helps to keep Bilborough history alive. Having the contribution from the community chest will enable it to involve a greater number of people from the local area.</p>	<p>The project be supported</p>
<p>9.Bloomin' Strelley</p> <p>Hilary Wheat</p>	<p>To create a small community orchard and improve the general environment.</p>	<p>£950.50</p>	<p>The funds will enable the purchase of annual and perennial plants as well as wild flower seeds. The additional resources will be used to plant more borders around the estate with local residents who live near by being encouraged to care for them. Included in the project is a desire to create a small community orchard on the moor road play park. Previous activities have helped to improve community cohesion.</p>	<p>The project is supported</p>
<p>10.DADTRA</p> <p>Carole Limb</p>	<p>To brighten up Denewood Crescent.</p>	<p>£700</p>	<p>The Denewood TRA would like to help local residents to take pride of their neighbourhood and help the association to work towards the east midlands in bloom initiative.</p>	<p>It is recommended the project be supported</p>

12. Bells Lane Youth Club Larry Burrell	Mural/graffiti project to be delivered at the bells lane community centre	£470	The money requested will be used to hire a professional artist to work with young people to create murals and graffiti art focussing around race.	Not Supported
13. Wollaton Vale Youth Club Larry Burrell	Community Cohesion to address the issue of "post code gangs"	£1,000	The money requested is to deliver sessional workshops including outreach and work around guns and knife crime included at the end of the workshops is a trip out for participants	Not Supported
14. Bells Lane Youth Club Larry Burrell	Community Cohesion to address the issue of "post code gangs"	£1,000	The money requested is to deliver sessional workshops including outreach and work around guns and knife crime included at the end of the workshops is a trip out for participants	Not Supported
15. Nottingham City Youth Services Jermaine Shread	To organise a residential for members of the youth forum	£950	The residential will be at Walesby Forest and incorporated into the visit would be workshops and team building activities.	Not Supported
16. Sue Sherman	To provide childrens playground markings in the middle of abandon square.	£892.80	Provided with the application were various designs of playground markings including hopscotch, snakes and ladders, human feet and block shapes.	The project is supported
17. Learning in a Fun Environment Suzie Wright	To establish 3 social enterprises for adults with learning and or disabilities.	£1,000	There are very few organisations that provide employment support for people with disabilities. Life would like to develop 1:1 sessional work to enable people with learning disabilities to overcome barriers to independence.	The project is supported

<p>18. Melbourne Road Allotment Holders Association</p> <p>Christine Mitchell</p>	<p>To purchase a husqvarna CRT 51 cultivator/ rotivator</p>	<p>£789</p>	<p>The equipment to be purchased is for the purpose of helping individuals who are less able to cultivate their allotment e.g. some of the members who are less agile find it difficult to hand dig their plots. The equipment requested is easy and safe to use and will enable people with physical problems to cultivate the area much better for growing fruit and vegetables.</p>	<p>The project is supported.</p>
<p>19. Beacon Football Club</p> <p>Steve Macintosh</p>	<p>To increase membership and to train volunteers as coaches.</p>	<p>£1,000</p>	<p>The Beacon football club provides regular coaching sessions to young people within Aspley and Bilborough. The club continues to expand and runs a wide range of teams of different ages. In order to deal with increased demand they are looking to train up local people as coaches and to start a girls team. The resources requested are a contribution towards the overall costs.</p>	<p>The project is supported</p>
<p>20. Friends of Ambleside PTA</p> <p>Emma Derbyshire</p>	<p>To purchase a sound system for the PTA to support family discos in schools and in the community</p>	<p>£1,000</p>	<p>The PTA are keen to support the organisation of activities for children in the west area. The equipment requested will help to organise discos, talent contests and support existing activities such as summer fairs.</p>	<p>The project is supported</p>

21. Sunday Funday Amanda Crampton	To purchase equipment which will enable the club to deliver services for older kids on the estate	£796.98	The equipment required includes things like tents, sleeping bags, air hockey table and a football table. This equipment will enable children of an older age group to benefit from the Sunday funday.	The project is supported
22. Stepney Court Garden Project Lucia Kirton	To purchase garden furniture	£829	To purchase furniture and a barbeque for events during the summer period. The garden will help local residents to socialise with each other and participate in community events.	The project is supported
23. Aspley Community and Training Centre Victoria Dennis	To purchase furniture for the centre	£980.95	The furniture is required to enable the centre to utilise its facilities for wider use.	The project is not supported
24. Bells Lane Community Centre Gill Bainbridge	To purchase black stacking chairs for the community centre	£1,000	The chairs are required to replace worn out furniture.	The project is not supported
25. Cinderhill Community Association/ Living Life Group Gill Bainbridge/Ann Swift	Over 60's group activities	£1,000	The funding is required for transportation, publicity, materials for hobby sessions and leaders to facilitate workshops.	The project is supported.
TOTAL		£16,287.28		

APPENDIX 2

Contact Organisation Group or individual	Proposal	Amount	Details	Decision of Councillors
Old Park Farm Garden Holders Association C Inger	To improve and repair the gardens on old park farm	£623	The association has already worked with its members to repair derelict gardens on the direct let sites. Much of the work on the site is carried out by voluntary contribution of association members. The money requested will help purchase 3 loads of road planning's and the hiring of a JCB to level the planning's. The labour will be provided by volunteers.	The resources requested if not provided through community chest may be met from the public realm budget for Bilborough.