



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

## AREA PANEL 4 30 MARCH 2005

Report of Assistant Director - Community Policy

### Area Panel Budget Proposals 2004/5

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 Area Panel 4 budget allocation for 2004/5 is £22,000 and is available to allocate to projects during this financial year. A list of projects funded so far in 2004/5 is attached in Appendix 3. The budget remaining for this financial year is £7,568.
- 1.2 Area Panel 4 is asked to consider whether to support eight applications for funding received from:

Applicant	Project	Ward	Funding requested
Bendall Green Neighbourhood Watch	Lighting and junior goals for Bendall Green	Blagreaves	£3,528
Blagreaves Neighbourhood Care Group	Running Costs	Blagreaves	£800
Councillor Troup	Light for footpath by Aston Road	Blagreaves	£750
Derby Moor Fives Club	Raise awareness of Derby Fives game	Littleover, Blagreaves	£1,810
Gayton School Luncheon Club	Transport costs	Blagreaves	£500
Littleover Table Tennis Club	Increasing membership to Littleover Table Tennis Club	Littleover, Blagreaves	£1,395
Mickleover Gymnastics Club	Purchase of gymnastics equipment	Mickleover, Littleover, Blagreaves	£4,025
St Andrews Mother and Baby / Toddler Group	Purchase of equipment and toys	Blagreaves	£625
<b>Total funding requested</b>			<b>£13,433</b>

- 1.3 A short summary of each project is attached to this report in Appendix 2.
- 1.4 The Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel met on 7 February 2005 to appraise each application against the new criteria agreed by Council on 21 April 2004. The purpose of the Appraisal Panel is to consider and appraise each application to support the Area Panel to make decisions about whether to approve applications. The Appraisal Panel made a recommendation for each application and they are stated in the table in 1.5. More details about the recommendations are included in Appendix 2. The recommendations are based on the information provided by the applicants measured against the area panel funding criteria.

## 1.5 Appraisal Panel Recommendations

Applicant	Project	Recommendation
Bendall Green Neighbourhood Watch	Lighting and junior goals for Bendall Green	Approve
Blagreaves Neighbourhood Care Group	Running costs	Approve
Councillor Troup	Light for footpath by Aston Road	Reject
Derby Moor Fives Club	Raise awareness of Derby Fives game	Approve
Gayton School Luncheon Club	Transport costs	Approve
Littleover Table Tennis Club	Increasing membership to Littleover Table Tennis Club	Approve
Mickleover Gymnastics Club	Purchase of gymnastics equipment	Approve
St Andrews Mother and Baby / Toddler Group	Purchase of equipment and toys	Approve

1.6 The Council Constitution states that the Area Panels can 'use a delegated budget for local environmental and community purposes'. Therefore, if an application does not specifically refer to a local activity, consideration needs to be given to the appropriateness of allocating area panel funding to the project. In deciding whether to support each application, the area panel will assess the funding request against the funding criteria and its priorities.

1.7 The new funding criteria, included in the Council Constitution, says that applications need to provide a service in response to the needs of local residents and meet at least one of the following criteria:

- improve access for local people to existing services
- provide a service in response to an issue raised in a community update report
- contribute to improvements which will provide a benefit to local residents
- assist in providing an integrated service in response to an issue raised at an area panel meeting
- enable residents to participate in their community or at area panel meetings.

Applications also need to:

- provide evidence of need for the application
- show evidence that ongoing maintenance or revenue costs have been approved by the relevant Council department, if necessary.



1.8 The priorities for supporting an application are that it:

- is from a voluntary or community group
- shows evidence of match funding or self help
- provides a service in response to the needs of local residents
- will directly benefit people living in the geographical area covered by the area panel
- show evidence of how the project will be sustained beyond the period of funding, if it is not a one-off project

- contributes to the delivery of one or more of the Council's corporate objectives.

1.9 In most circumstances, the amount of funding that the area panel will award to an applicant will be between £50 and £2,000. However, the area panel does have the discretion to award more if it considers the application to be a priority for the area.

1.10 If the proposals are approved, the implications for the total budget for Area Panel 4 in 2004/5 will be:

<b>Area Panel 4</b>	
Budget for 2004/5	£22,000
Commitment carried forward from 2003/4	£0
Total commitments to date	£14,432
Total budget available for allocation in March 2005	£7,568
Sub-total of proposals to consider in March 2005	£13,433
<b>Budget remaining if proposals for March are approved</b>	<b>£5,865 overspend</b>
<b>Blagreaves ward</b>	
Total commitments to date	£8,016
Sub-total of proposals to consider in March 2005	£8,305
<b>Littleover ward</b>	
Total commitments to date	£1,216
Sub-total of proposals to consider in March 2005	£2,103
<b>Mickleover ward</b>	
Total commitments to date	£5,200
Sub-total of proposals to consider in March 2005	£3,025

## PROPOSED ACTION

2.1 To consider and determine the eight applications for area panel funding giving consideration to not allocating more than £7,568 at this meeting.

2.2 To note the Area Panel 4 spend to date in 2004/05 set out in Appendix 3.

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## Appendix 1

### IMPLICATIONS

#### Financial

- 1.1 Area panels must consider priorities within the area when considering requests for funding. Not all requests that meet the criteria will be considered a priority. When supporting or rejecting an application over £1,000, Area Panel 4 must give reasons for its decision.

#### Legal

- 2.1 Area Panel 4 has delegated authority to use its budget for local environmental and community purposes.
- 2.2 Section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 empowers the Council to  grants to voluntary and other organisations to provide any recreational facilities.
- 2.3 Any decision involving the making of a grant or loan over £1,000 to any voluntary body is deemed to have a significant impact on two or more wards and is therefore a key decision.
- 2.4 After a key decision has been taken, the Director of Corporate Services must publish a record of every executive decision taken at that meeting within two days of that meeting. The record must include a statement of the reasons for each decision and any alternative options considered or rejected at the meeting. No action will be taken on any such decision for five clear days from the date of publication.

#### Personnel

- 3.1 None other than those included in the application forms.

#### Equalities impact

- 4.1 None other than those included in the application forms.

#### Corporate objectives and priorities

- 5.1 The provision of grants to community projects can contribute to the delivery of the Council's key objectives and priorities. The summary of each project in Appendix 2 includes an indication of how each one contributes.

## Appendix 2

### SUMMARY OF APPLICATIONS

**Applicant 1:** Bendall Green Neighbourhood Watch  
**Project:** Lighting and junior goals for Bendall Green  
**Total cost of project:** £3,528  
**Amount of funding requested:** £3,528  
**Wards:** Blagreaves  
**Description:**

The application is to complement the project currently under way on Bendall Green to provide new play facilities on the park. The group wants to provide lighting to a new footpath across the green and a set of junior football goalposts on Bendall Green. The priority is to provide the two junior football goal posts.

The goal posts will be positioned in a central area, at different angles to prevent them from being used as an unofficial football pitch. The lighting will be along the new pathway that is being installed across the green connecting Bendall Green to Grovebury Drive. The area around the new path is very dark and residents feel the lights are essential.

The Council has been working with local residents including the Bendall Green Action Group to develop new facilities on Bendall Green. There will be a new play area but no facilities for teenagers. After lengthy consultation between the Neighbourhood Watch and the local community, a need for goal posts was identified as, most nights and weekends, there are up to 30 children attempting to play football with only one goal. The two junior goals would enable the groups of children that are on there every night and weekend to enjoy the space and is something all of the residents are very keen on.

The Parks Service has agreed to maintain the junior goal posts. Development and Cultural Services has agreed to adopt the lighting columns for maintenance and energy payment.

**Costs:**

- £915 to supply and install two junior goalposts – priority.
- £2,613 to supply and erect two 5m lighting columns to footpath between Grovebury Drive and Bendall Green.

Suggested recommendation from the Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel
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Approve.
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Area Panel funding criteria
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The application must provide a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
<b>In addition, the application must meet at least one of the following:</b>	
Improve access for local people to existing services.	✓
Provide a service in response to an issue raised in a community update report or at an area panel.	✓
Contribute to environmental improvements which will provide a benefit to local residents	✓
Assist in providing an integrated service in response to an issue raised at an area panel meeting.	
Enable residents to participate in their community or at area panel meetings	

Area Panel funding priorities
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Community or voluntary group	✓
Shows evidence of match funding or self help	
Provides a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
Directly benefit people living in the geographical area covered by the area panel	✓

Evidence of how the project will be sustained beyond the period of funding	✓
Contributes to the delivery of one or more of the objectives or priorities set out in the Council's Corporate Plan	✓

<b>Corporate objectives</b> – the application must meet at least one	
Job opportunities	
Strong and positive neighbourhoods	✓
Education	
Protecting and supporting people	
A healthy environment	✓
Shops, commercial and leisure activities	✓
Integrated, cost effective services	

**Applicant 2:** Blagreaves Neighbourhood Care Group

**Project:** Running Costs

**Total cost of project:** About £1,000

**Amount of funding requested:** £800

**Wards:** Blagreaves

**Description:**

This group provides a place to meet, have a chat and cup of tea on Friday afternoons. Once a month outings are arranged, in summer for lunch and in winter for tea. There are 24 members in the group who are from 70 to 92 years old. They are a voluntary group meeting at St Andrew's Church on Blagreaves Lane. It was first established in 1984

The main costs are transport, hire of hall, food and insurance. Other costs include postage, telephone and stationary costs.

The group hires the minibus from Littleover Live at Home scheme and also uses private cars to transport members on the regular outings. Depending on the actual trip location the transport cost is normally up to £50 for one outing. This can add up to over £500 for a year.

Some members are collected for the weekly meetings and the transport costs are about £4.50p a week or about £220 a year.

The group wants support to pay for its activities in 2005/6 including:

- Hire of the hall £300
- Insurance for 2005/6 £100
- Transport costs £400

The members normally pay a weekly subscription of 50p but this varies on the number attending. The members supply all the tea, coffee, sugar and milk at their regular meetings and buy their own lunch or tea on the outings.

The group receives a grant of £200 a year from Social Services and has received support from Derbyshire Community Foundation in previous years.

#### **Suggested recommendation from the Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel**

Approve. The Appraisal Panel considered that this should be a one off grant allocation for the transport costs.

#### **Area Panel funding criteria**

The application must provide a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
<b>In addition, the application must meet at least one of the following:</b>	
Improve access for local people to existing services.	✓
Provide a service in response to an issue raised in a community update report or at an area panel.	
Contribute to environmental improvements which will provide a benefit to local residents	
Assist in providing an integrated service in response to an issue raised at an area panel meeting.	
Enable residents to participate in their community or at area panel meetings	✓

#### **Area Panel funding priorities**

Community or voluntary group	✓
Shows evidence of match funding or self help	✓
Provides a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
Directly benefit people living in the geographical area covered by the area panel	✓
Evidence of how the project will be sustained beyond the period of funding	

Contributes to the delivery of one or more of the objectives or priorities set out in the Council's Corporate Plan	✓
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<b>Corporate objectives</b> – the application must meet at least one	
Job opportunities	
Strong and positive neighbourhoods	✓
Education	
Protecting and supporting people	✓
A healthy environment	
Shops, commercial and leisure activities	
Integrated, cost effective services	



**Applicant 3:** Councillor Troup  
**Project:** Light for footpath by Aston Road  
**Total cost of project:** £750  
**Amount of funding requested:** £750  
**Wards:** Blagreaves

**Description:**

This project aims to install one 5 metre lighting column on an unlit walkway/footpath between Aston Road and Swarkestone Drive. There is no light on this path, which makes it a perceived danger spot at night, effectively making it a no go area for many residents after dark. The local beat police officer is in favour of installing more light and the request was supported when it was raised at a Littleover Community Panel meeting.

The improved lighting will reduce vandalism and the fear of crime and will encourage walking to local facilities. Development and Cultural Services - D and CS - has confirmed that a lighting column is the best solution because there is no lighting along this footpath but they have no funding available to provide it in the current lighting programme. D and CS has confirmed that they will take on maintenance and revenue costs if a new lighting column is installed.

**Suggested recommendation from the Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel**

Reject. The appraisal panel considered that this project should be funded from Development and Cultural Services mainstream resources.

**Area Panel funding criteria**

The application must provide a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
<b>In addition, the application must meet at least one of the following:</b>	
Improve access for local people to existing services.	✓
Provide a service in response to an issue raised in a community update report or at an area panel.	
Contribute to environmental improvements which will provide a benefit to local residents	
Assist in providing an integrated service in response to an issue raised at an area panel meeting.	
Enable residents to participate in their community or at area panel meetings	

**Area Panel funding priorities**

Community or voluntary group	
Shows evidence of match funding or self help	
Provides a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
Directly benefit people living in the geographical area covered by the area panel	✓
Evidence of how the project will be sustained beyond the period of funding	✓
Contributes to the delivery of one or more of the objectives or priorities set out in the Council's Corporate Plan	✓

**Corporate objectives – the application must meet at least one**

Job opportunities	
Strong and positive neighbourhoods	
Education	
Protecting and supporting people	
A healthy environment	✓
Shops, commercial and leisure activities	
Integrated, cost effective services	

**Applicant 4:** Derby Moor Fives Club  
**Project:** Raise awareness of Derby Fives game  
**Total cost of project:** £2,580  
**Amount of funding requested:** £1,810  
**Wards:** Blagreaves

**Description:**

This project aims to raise the awareness of the sport of Fives and the facilities that are available at Derby Moor School, they are the only courts in the East Midlands. The project will provide 30 weeks of coaching sessions from May 2005 aiming to provide the chance for more people to take part in the sport. The club formed in 2003 and want to create an infrastructure to enable community members to access the sport through community and school clubs. The club are particularly keen to promote the sport within the two neighbouring secondary schools of Derby Moor and Littleover Community School.

There is evidence of interest among secondary school pupils but, owing to coaching being held on a voluntary basis, this has been an ad-hoc approach. There are 10 senior members and club numbers have started to increase with eight junior members, mainly Derby Moor students, having joined the club and attend the regular Saturday morning club sessions.

The development of the junior club section is vital to the sustainability and development of the club. The improved access to the facility through the development of paid coaches will allow a consistent delivery and make the sport more available to the community. Since the Fives club formed in 2003, it has provided coaches for the school students free of charge.

The application is for equipment, balls and gloves provided directly from the manufacturers and for coaching fees for the two 'come and try' sessions being arranged after school and at the weekend.

Derby Moor School is supporting the Fives club by providing match funding of up to £770 for the free use of the courts for 30 weeks and helping with publicity material.

**Costs:**

- £150 for 15 balls
- £160 for 8 gloves
- £750 coaching fees for 'Come and try' sessions for the community on Saturday mornings. Two hours at £12.50 an hour for 30 weeks.
- £750 coaching fees for 'Taster sessions' for pupils from the two local secondary schools after school. Two hours at £12.50 an hour for 30 weeks

<b>Suggested recommendation from the Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel</b>	
Approve. However the Appraisal Panel noted that the Club could consider other sources of funding after April 2005, such as Sports Relief.	

<b>Area Panel funding criteria</b>	
The application must provide a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
<b>In addition, the application must meet at least one of the following:</b>	
Improve access for local people to existing services.	✓
Provide a service in response to an issue raised in a community update report or at an area panel.	
Contribute to environmental improvements which will provide a benefit to local residents	
Assist in providing an integrated service in response to an issue raised at an area panel meeting.	
Enable residents to participate in their community or at area panel meetings	

<b>Area Panel funding priorities</b>
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Community or voluntary group	✓
Shows evidence of match funding or self help	✓
Provides a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
Directly benefit people living in the geographical area covered by the area panel	✓
Evidence of how the project will be sustained beyond the period of funding	
Contributes to the delivery of one or more of the objectives or priorities set out in the Council's Corporate Plan	✓

<b>Corporate objectives – the application must meet at least one</b>	
Job opportunities	
Strong and positive neighbourhoods	✓
Education	✓
Protecting and supporting people	
A healthy environment	✓
Shops, commercial and leisure activities	✓
Integrated, cost effective services	

**Applicant 5:** Gayton School Luncheon Club

**Project:** Transport Costs

**Total cost of project:** £800

**Amount of funding requested:** £500

**Wards:** Blagreaves

**Description:**

This project aims to provide funding for the regular outings arranged for the Luncheon club. The Gayton Luncheon Club was formed in 1990 and has between 20 and 30 elderly members from Blagreaves and Littleover. The club provides a meeting place twice a week in Gayton School Community Room and regular outings during the summer. On Tuesdays and Wednesdays between 14 and 22 members meet for a hot lunch, entertainment and the chance to mix with friends on a regular basis.

All the members pay for their own lunch, which is provided by the School meals service and they pay a contribution to the minibuss transport costs. The minibuss is hired every week by the club to collect and then return the members to their homes after their meals. Many of the members are disabled and need the transport to get to and from the lunch. The club currently pays for this from members' contributions and by arranging their own fund raising activities with events such as raffles, whist drives and bingo.

The club also arranges regular outings for its members and in 2005 they are planning eight outings over the summer. They will hire coaches to take the members on the outings and based on costs from the outings in 2004 the transport costs will be about £100 for each outing.

The Club is asking for a contribution of £500 towards the transport cost for these outings. The members currently pay for all their own meals, any relevant entrance fees and a contribution to the transport costs.

<b>Suggested recommendation from the Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel</b>
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Approve.
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<b>Area Panel funding criteria</b>
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The application must provide a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
<b>In addition, the application must meet at least one of the following:</b>	
Improve access for local people to existing services.	✓
Provide a service in response to an issue raised in a community update report or at an area panel.	
Contribute to environmental improvements which will provide a benefit to local residents	
Assist in providing an integrated service in response to an issue raised at an area panel meeting.	
Enable residents to participate in their community or at area panel meetings	✓

<b>Area Panel funding priorities</b>
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Community or voluntary group	✓
Shows evidence of match funding or self help	✓
Provides a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
Directly benefit people living in the geographical area covered by the area panel	✓
Evidence of how the project will be sustained beyond the period of funding	
Contributes to the delivery of one or more of the objectives or priorities set out in the Council's Corporate Plan	✓

<b>Corporate objectives</b> – the application must meet at least one	
Job opportunities	
Strong and positive neighbourhoods	✓
Education	
Protecting and supporting people	✓
A healthy environment	
Shops, commercial and leisure activities	
Integrated, cost effective services	

**Applicant 6:** Littleover Table Tennis Club  
**Project:** Increasing membership to Littleover Table Tennis Club  
**Total cost of project:** £1,795  
**Amount of funding requested:** £1,395  
**Wards:** Blagreaves

**Description:**

This project aims to increase the number of junior players joining from the local area and to develop qualified leaders and coaches to make sure the club develops its junior section. The sustainability of the club, which was set up in September 2003, is dependent upon a successful junior section. The club has 21 senior members and 49 junior members of which 75% live in Area Panel 4 area. The club recently moved from Derby College to Derby Moor Community Sports School where the facilities are better and more of the membership lives. The club now aims to ...

- Set up an after-school club in two local secondary schools, Derby Moor and Littleover Community School, and seven local primary schools, Brookfield, Griffie Field, St. Peter's, Gayton, Wren Park, Dale and Hardwick. Two of these are located in Area Panel 3, however, many of their pupils go on to the secondary schools in Area Panel 4.
- Run a 6-week programme in the schools with the members who have become qualified coaches.
- Culminating in a full day tournament for all schools at Derby Moor Community Sports School.
- develop a volunteer section by providing a level or 2 coaching qualification for local people

The club have asked for funding for:

- £500 to pay for the coaching qualification tutor fees and to contribute to the resource pack needed for each member to gain the level 1 or 2 coaching qualification
- £405 to pay for coaches at the after school clubs for six weeks at £7.50 in 9 schools.
- £250 for equipment – bats, balls, nets
- £240 to transport children to the central tournament venue at the end of the programme.

Derby Moor Community Sports School will provide the use of the facilities free of charge for the tournament at the end of the programme.

The club will contribute £200 towards the cost of the resource pack for each member on the coaching course. In addition each member who joins the coaching course will have to contribute to the £65 cost of their personal coaching pack

**Suggested recommendation from the Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel**

Approve. The Appraisal Panel considered that approval was subject to clarification about the coaching costs of the project.

**Area Panel funding criteria**

The application must provide a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
<b>In addition, the application must meet at least one of the following:</b>	
Improve access for local people to existing services.	✓
Provide a service in response to an issue raised in a community update report or at an area panel.	
Contribute to environmental improvements which will provide a benefit to local residents	
Assist in providing an integrated service in response to an issue raised at an area panel meeting.	
Enable residents to participate in their community or at area panel meetings	✓

**Area Panel funding priorities**

Community or voluntary group	✓
Shows evidence of match funding or self help	✓

Provides a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
Directly benefit people living in the geographical area covered by the area panel	✓
Evidence of how the project will be sustained beyond the period of funding	
Contributes to the delivery of one or more of the objectives or priorities set out in the Council's Corporate Plan	✓

<b>Corporate objectives – the application must meet at least one</b>	
Job opportunities	✓
Strong and positive neighbourhoods	✓
Education	
Protecting and supporting people	
A healthy environment	✓
Shops, commercial and leisure activities	✓
Integrated, cost effective services	

**Applicant 7:** Mickleover Gymnastics Club  
**Project:** Purchase of gymnastics equipment  
**Total cost of project:** £4,025  
**Amount of funding requested:** £4,025  
**Wards:** Blagreaves

**Description:**

This project aims to provide new approved gymnastic apparatus, soft play equipment and training aids for the young club members to learn their skills. This is in response to increasing club members and the quality of gymnasts.

Mickleover Gymnastic Club set up in March 2002 for young people in the Mickleover area aged from 4 to 18 years. The club has expanded from 27 members in 2002 to 88 members in July 2003 and over 100 members in 2004. In response, the club moved to larger training facilities at Derby College and from January 2005 is now running sessions at Derby Moor School. They also travel once a month to Loughborough University. Over 90% of the members come from Mickleover/Littleover/Blagreaves wards. The move to Derby Moor has already seen an increase in members from this area.

The club currently hires Derby College Sports Centre on Thursday and Friday evenings and for seven hours on Saturdays. It hires Derby Moor School on Monday evenings and Loughborough University on Sunday mornings.

They aim to purchase:

- £2,864 for a set of free standing asymmetric bars that will save valuable training time and eliminate a lot of health and safety hazards in erecting and dismantling. This is the priority piece of equipment.
- £630 for a training rebound system for our gymnasts to do more constant repetitive work on bars, without causing stress or trauma on young joints and muscles whilst practicing new skills.
- £531 for two agility mats to use with many pieces of equipment to "pad up" the apparatus during the initial stages of learning, to provide security and re-assurance to the most aspiring young gymnasts.

The club received £4,790 from Area Panel 4 in 2003/4 financial year. They held fundraising activities in 2004 that raised over £1,700, which was spent on new equipment. So far this year, no applications for funding have been made to other organisations. However, the club raises funds from payment of monthly subscriptions and because of the block bookings for hiring the venues they have negotiated favourable hire charges.

<b>Suggested recommendation from the Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel</b>	
Approve. The Appraisal Panel noted that the application was for significantly more than the £2,000 guideline. They considered that other funds could be applied to for financial support.	

<b>Area Panel funding criteria</b>	
The application must provide a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
<b>In addition, the application must meet at least one of the following:</b>	
Improve access for local people to existing services.	✓
Provide a service in response to an issue raised in a community update report or at an area panel.	
Contribute to environmental improvements which will provide a benefit to local residents	



Assist in providing an integrated service in response to an issue raised at an area panel meeting.	
Enable residents to participate in their community or at area panel meetings	✓

<b>Area Panel funding priorities</b>	
Community or voluntary group	✓
Shows evidence of match funding or self help	
Provides a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
Directly benefit people living in the geographical area covered by the area panel	✓
Evidence of how the project will be sustained beyond the period of funding	
Contributes to the delivery of one or more of the objectives or priorities set out in the Council's Corporate Plan	✓

<b>Corporate objectives – the application must meet at least one</b>	
Job opportunities	
Strong and positive neighbourhoods	✓
Education	
Protecting and supporting people	
A healthy environment	✓
Shops, commercial and leisure activities	✓
Integrated, cost effective services	

**Applicant 8:** St Andrew's Mother and Baby / Toddler Group

**Project:** Purchase of equipment and toys

**Total cost of project:** £625

**Amount of funding requested:** £625

**Wards:** Blagreaves

**Description:**

This project aims to purchase new equipment to improve the standard of facilities made available to the parents, babies and toddlers. The group formed in about 1990 and have approximately 35 children and parents attending each week. The group offers the chance for mothers, fathers and carers to meet up and for their children to play, share activities and crafts. Each week, the group arranges activities such as baking cakes, painting and play dough.

The group is ideal for parents who have moved into the area and is extended as we have 'mums nights out' which go towards making strong friendships. The group makes it easier for the children moving into the nursery school, held at St Andrew's, as they are already familiar with the other children and surroundings. Parents attend with their children from 0-4 ½ years.

In the last nine years, the group has always relied on toys being donated, or the group saving to buy new items. They have to rely on the nursery school to loan their bikes, pushchairs and other toys, but some of these are not really suitable for the very young children. These activities are paid for from the funds after paying for the rent and refreshments.

A raffle is held each week and cake sales and parties are arranged to raise extra money for some larger items such as a play kitchen, baby walker and dolls pushchairs.

The feedback from the group members has indicated demand for more up to date toys and equipment especially for babies. To respond to this demand, the group want to improve the quality of its equipment. The group cannot afford larger items such as large plastic tumble mats that are ideal for babies to sit on and more hygienic so, at present, they use an old carpet. Baby rings for babies to sit in would also make it easier and more comfortable for parents and babies as would other items such as toddler trikes / pushalong trikes, play tunnels, dressing up clothes and a chalkboard.

They aim to purchase;

- £220 Large play toys such as see-saw, play house, baby cars
- £80 Large plastic tumble mat
- £80 Dressing up clothes
- £60 Three baby rings for very young babies to sit in
- £50 Musical instruments
- £50 Replacement of old toys
- £30 Three safety mats for use with slides
- £30 Chalk board
- £25 Activity crafts

<b>Suggested recommendation from the Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel</b>
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Approve.
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<b>Area Panel funding criteria</b>	
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The application must provide a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
<b>In addition, the application must meet at least one of the following:</b>	
Improve access for local people to existing services.	✓
Provide a service in response to an issue raised in a community update report or at an area panel.	
Contribute to environmental improvements which will provide a benefit to local residents	
Assist in providing an integrated service in response to an issue raised at an area panel meeting.	

Enable residents to participate in their community or at area panel meetings	✓
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<b>Area Panel funding priorities</b>	
Community or voluntary group	✓
Shows evidence of match funding or self help	
Provides a service in response to the needs of local residents	✓
Directly benefit people living in the geographical area covered by the area panel	✓
Evidence of how the project will be sustained beyond the period of funding	
Contributes to the delivery of one or more of the objectives or priorities set out in the Council's Corporate Plan	✓

<b>Corporate objectives – the application must meet at least one</b>	
Job opportunities	
Strong and positive neighbourhoods	✓
Education	✓
Protecting and supporting people	
A healthy environment	
Shops, commercial and leisure activities	
Integrated, cost effective services	

AREA PANEL 4 FUNDING APPROVALS 2004/5						
Area Panel Budget for 2004/5				£22,000		
Budget carried forward from 2003/4				£0		
Total budget available for allocation in 2004/5				£22,000		
Total budget allocated in 2004/05				£14,432		
Applicant	Project	Amount requested	Amount approved	Date approval given	Grant paid	Ward
Littleover Lane Allotments Association	Building New Toilet Block	£600	£600	19 May 2004	Yes	Blagreaves
Mickleover Community Association	Two New Notice Boards	£200	£200	19 May 2004	Yes	Mickleover
118 <sup>th</sup> Scout Group	Extension to 118 <sup>th</sup> Scout Group Headquarters	£2,000	£2000	19 May 2004	Yes	Blagreaves
Gayton Swimming pool	Purchase of pool cover and new shower installation	£7,920	£4,700	21 July 2004	Yes	Blagreaves
Mickleover Action Group	Installation of a sports wall on Vicarage Park	£5,000	£5,000	21 July 2004	No	Mickleover
Littleover Grange Hall Community Association	External Repair and Decoration	£1,432	£1,432	28 September 2004	Yes	Littleover and Blagreaves
Littleover Community School	Transport costs for Black History Month project	£1,000	£500	28 September 2004	Yes	Littleover
Total			£14,432			