



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

AREA PANEL 5 1 DECEMBER 2004

Report of Assistant Director of Community Policy

Area Panel Budget Proposals 2004/5

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 The Area Panel 5 budget allocation for 2004/5 is £22,000. The Panel can also carry forward £8,564 from 2003/4. In line with the decision to allocate funds to each ward in proportion, the carry over has been added to the allocation for each ward in the table below.
- 1.2 The Panel is asked to consider one application for funding received from:

| Applicant | Project | Ward | Funds requested |
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| 151 st Derby Allestree St Nicholas Scout Group | Tarmac drive and pathway from church car park to Scout headquarters | Allestree | £2,000 |
| Total funding requested | | | £2,000 |

- 1.3 A short summary of the project is attached to this report in Appendix 2.
- 1.4 The Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel met on 11 October to appraise the application against the new criteria agreed by Council on 21 April 2004. The purpose of the Appraisal Panel is to support the Area Panel to make decisions about whether to approve applications. The Appraisal Panel has made a recommendation for the application and it is included below and in Appendix 2. The recommendation is based on the information provided by the applicants measured against the area panel funding criteria.

| Applicant | Project | Appraisal Panel recommendation |
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| 151 st Derby Allestree St Nicholas Scout Group | Tarmac drive and pathway from church car park to Scout headquarters | The appraisal panel believe that the area panel should support the cost of the pathway but not the drive. |

- 1.5 The application meets the criteria previously agreed by the Area Panel. However, the Council constitution states that Area panels can 'use a delegated budget for local environmental and community purposes'. For applications that do not specifically refer to a local activity, consideration needs to be given to the appropriateness of allocating area panel funding. In deciding whether to support the application, the Panel will assess the funding request against its priorities.
- 1.6 The reasons recommended for supporting an application are that it:
- meets the criteria for area panel funding
 - provides evidence of need
 - enables residents to participate in activities within their community
 - provides a service in response to the needs of local residents as raised at the area panel meeting
 - contributes to improvements which will provide a benefit to all residents
 - is capable of rapid implementation, and can have a significant impact in a short time
 - provides evidence that the proposal will be sustained beyond the level of funding required
 - contributes to the delivery of the Council's corporate objectives and priorities.

- 1.7 If the proposal is approved in total, the implications for the total budget for Area Panel 5 will be:

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| Area Panel 5 | £ |
| Budget for 2004/5 | £22,000 |
| Funds carried over from 2003/4 | £8,564 |
| Total funds available for allocation 2004/5 | £30,564 |
| Total commitments to date | £4,815 |
| Sub total of proposals to consider in December 2004 | £2,000 |
| Budget remaining if proposals for December are approved | £23,749 |
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| Allestree ward | |
| Budget for 2004/5 | £7,333 + |
| Carry over from 2003/4 | £6,500 |
| Total available in Allestree | £13,833 |
| Total commitments to date | £1,800 |
| Sub total of proposals to consider in December 2004 | £2,000 |
| Budget remaining if proposals for December are approved | £10,033 |
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| Darley Ward | |
| Budget for 2004/5 | £7,333 + |
| Carry over from 2003/4 | £0 |
| Total available in Darley | £7,333 |
| Total commitments to date | £1,000 |
| Sub total of proposals to consider in December 2004 | £0 |
| Budget remaining if proposals for December are approved | £6,333 |
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| Mackworth Ward | |
| Budget for 2004/5 | £7,333 + |
| Carry over from 2003/4 | £2,063 |
| Total available in Mackworth | £9,396 |
| Total commitments to date | £2,015 |
| Sub total of proposals to consider in December 2004 | £0 |
| Budget remaining if proposals for December are approved | £7,381 |

PROPOSED ACTION

- 2.1 To consider and determine one applications for area panel funding.

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Background papers: Minicom 01332 258522
List of appendices: Area Panel Budget allocation criteria, Application forms stored on file.
Appendix 1 – Summary of implications
Appendix 2 – Summary of applications and copies of stage 1 forms
Appendix 3 – Spending progress to date

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| IMPLICATIONS |
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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, the Panel must give reasons for its decision.

Legal

- 2.1 The Area Panel 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 offer 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.

SUMMARY OF APPLICATIONS

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| Applicant 1: | 151 st Derby Allestree St Nicholas Scout Group |
| Project: | Tarmac drive and pathway from church car park to Scout headquarters |
| Total cost of project: | £2,712 |
| Amount of funding requested: | £2,000 |
| Wards: | Allestree |

Description:

The 151st Derby Allestree St Nicholas Scout Group occupy a scout hut attached to the rear of the church hall at St Nicholas' church, Allestree Lane, Allestree. The building was constructed in 1982 on land leased from the church. It is a brick and tile two storey building. Access to the church hall and car park is from a tarmac drive, but there is only a rough stone driveway to the scout hut.

The building is used extensively, with scouting organisations every evening and a range of users during the morning and afternoon. The church uses the building for a Sunday School, and it is used as a dressing and rehearsal room by the local theatre group who perform in the church hall. Among scouting organisations, all users come from Allestree ward.

The Scouts desire to resurface the path and driveway to their building, and they have received a quote, which suggests the work will cost £2,712. The Scouts can cover the residual £712, and are applying for the maximum panel award of £2,000.

The group have considered whether they could manage with merely a path to the building but have concluded that they need to have a tarmac road in addition.

| Corporate objectives | | Corporate priorities | | Area Panel criteria | |
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| Job opportunities | | Minimise increases in Council tax and increase value for money from Council services | | Provide a service in response to the needs of the local residents raised at the area panel meeting | |
| Strong and positive neighbourhoods | ✓ | Tackle under-achievement in schools | | Improve accessibility for local people to existing services | ✓ |
| Education | | Promote the city as a major force for industry, commerce, culture and tourism throughout the country and as an equal participant in the East Midlands region. | | Contribute to environmental improvements which will provide a benefit to all residents | ✓ |
| Protecting and supporting people | | Continue plans to remove traffic from city centre streets where this helps people make better use of the city centre and improve transport choices by completing Connecting Derby | | Promote area and neighbourhood coordination in the community | |
| A healthy environment | | Develop an integrated management system of the city and district centres to improve their attractiveness and viability | | Enable residents to participate with in their community and at area panel meetings | |
| Shops, commercial and leisure activities | | Continue to expand doorstep recycling and other recycling activity | | Proposal is supported with evidence of need | |
| Integrated cost effective services | | Develop plans to improve the fostering service and residential and community care for adults | | Evidence that the proposal is sustainable | |
| | | Enhance the community leadership role of the Council, both at strategic and neighbourhood level, through partnership working and listening to, and communicating, with the public | ✓ | | |
| | | Respond to peoples needs appropriately, on time and first time, by developing a customer focused culture | | | |
| | | Decide planning applications more quickly while maintaining the quality of decision making. | | | |

| APPENDIX 3 | | | | | | |
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| AREA PANEL 5 FUNDING APPROVALS 2004/5 | | | | | | |
| Area Panel Budget for 2004/5 | | | | £22,000 | | |
| Budget carried forward from 2003/4 | | | | £8,564 | | |
| Total budget available for allocation in 2004/5 | | | | £30,564 | | |
| Sub-total allocated to date | | | | £1,000 | | |
| Balance available for allocation | | | | £29,564 | | |
| Applicant | Project | Amount requested | Amount approved | Date approval given | Grant paid | Ward |
| Markeaton Primary School and Derby City Council | Video project | £1,730 | £1,730 | 2 June 2004 | Yes – funded from previous approval underspend | Darley |
| Mackworth Community Crime Prevention Panel | Assistance for Neighbourhood Watch schemes in Mackworth | £500 | £500 | 21 July 2004 | Yes | Mackworth |
| Morley and Mackworth Community Panel | Morley and Mackworth Community Fun Day | £500 | £500 | 21 July 2004 | Yes | Mackworth |
| Royal British Legion, Allestree Branch | Repair of Allestree war memorials | £800 | £800 | 6 October 2004 | Yes | Allestree |
| Mackworth Estate Community Association | Memorial to Lonny Wilsoncroft | £615 | £615 | 6 October 2004 | Yes | Mackworth |
| Mackworth Estate Community Link | Link Day | £400 | £400 | 6 October 2004 | Yes | Mackworth |
| Allestree and Darley Live at Home Scheme | Office set up and transport costs | £2,000 | £2,000 | 6 October 2004 | Yes | Allestree/Darley |
| Total | | | £6,545 | | | |