



## Area Panel Budget Proposals 2005/6

### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.1 Area Panel 1 budget allocation for 2005/6 is £29,000. The panel has an additional budget of £2,891 carried forward from 2004/5, which means that a total budget of £31,891 is available for allocation to projects during this financial year.

1.2 The area panel is asked to consider whether to support the following application:

Applicant	Project	Ward	Funding requested
Chaddesden Park Allotments	Security Fencing	Chaddesden	£800

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 12 December to appraise the application against the agreed criteria. The purpose of the Appraisal Panel is to support the Area Panel to make decisions about whether to approve applications. Recommendations are based on the information provided by the applicants measured against the area panel funding criteria.

Applicant	Project	Appraisal Panel Recommendation
Chaddesden Park Allotments	Security Fencing	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 1 in 2005/6 will be:

<b>Area Panel 1</b>	<b>£</b>
Budget for 2005/6	£29,000
Total carried forward from 2004/5	£2,891
Total commitments to date	£19,414
Funds to be returned due to under spends on projects	£2,442
Sub total of proposals to consider in January 2006	£800
<b>Budget remaining if proposals for January are approved</b>	<b>£14,119</b>
<b>Chaddesden Ward</b>	
Budget for 2005/6	£7,250
Total carried forward from 2004/5	£2,940
Total commitments to date	£8,677
Funds to be returned due to under spend on projects	
- football tournament – June 2005	£36
- lighting on Chapel Lane – October 2004	£166
Sub total of proposals to consider in January 2006	£800
<b>Budget remaining if proposals for January are approved</b>	<b>£915</b>
<b>Derwent Ward</b>	
Budget for 2005/6	£7,250
Total carried forward from 2004/5	- £1,596*
Total commitments to date	£4,747
Funds to be returned due to under spend on projects	
- football tournament – June 2005	£37
- Cowsley Road Vision Consultation – October 2004	£1,400
Sub total of proposals to consider in January 2006	£0
<b>Budget remaining</b>	<b>£2,344</b>
*In 2004/5 Derwent allocated £1,596 to projects in Derwent Ward using the Chaddesden Ward allocation	
<b>Oakwood Ward</b>	
Budget for 2005/6	£7,250

Total carried forward from 2004/5	£0
Total commitments to date	£2,904
Funds to be returned due to under spend on projects - football tournament – June 2005	£37
Sub total of proposals to consider in January 2006	£0
<b>Budget remaining</b>	<b>£4,383</b>
<b>Spondon Ward</b>	
Budget for 2005/6	£7,250
Total carried forward from 2004/5	£1,547
Total commitments to date	£3,086
Funds to be returned due to under spend on projects - football tournament – June 2005	£36
- Spondon Community Association – January 2005	£730
Sub total of proposals to consider in January 2006	£0
<b>Budget remaining</b>	<b>£6,477</b>

## PROPOSED ACTION

2.1 To consider and determine the application for area panel funding.

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**Background papers:**

**List of appendices:**

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Area Panel Budget allocation criteria, Application form stored on file.

Appendix 1 – Summary of implications

Appendix 2 – Summary of applications and recommendations from the Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel

Appendix 3 – Area Panel 1 funding approvals 2005/06

## 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 £25,000, Area Panel 1 must give reasons for its decision.

#### Legal

- 2.1 Area Panel 1 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 £25,000 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

<b>Applicant 1:</b>	Chaddesden Park Allotment Association
<b>Project:</b>	Security Fencing for Site
<b>Total cost of project:</b>	£8,000 approximately
<b>Amount of funding requested:</b>	£800
<b>Wards:</b>	Chaddesden

#### Description:

A grant of £3,200 was approved at the meeting on 7 September 2005 from the Chaddesden allocation of funding. It was agreed to defer allocating the outstanding £800 from the Oakwood ward until the meeting on 2 November. At that meeting the panel decided not to award funding from the Oakwood allocation of funding.

The application has now been resubmitted for the panel to consider allocating £800 from the Chaddesden allocation of funding.

The Chaddesden Park Allotment Association based on Parkside has about 60 members and of these about 50 live in Chaddesden ward and about 10 live in Oakwood ward.

Area Panel 1 allocated £3,506 in 2004/5 to improve security around the allotments. This resulted in an increase in membership however the Association is keen to complete the security fencing in order to keep these new members and to tackle the recent spate of damage and break ins suffered by the Association. The £800 will purchase security fencing panels to help complete the work to protect the vulnerable parts of the site. The members will install the fencing.

To help complete the project the Association have purchased and installed 1.8metre high metal Harris fencing to prevent access to the northern part of the allotment site.

<b>Suggested recommendation from the Area Panel Grant Appraisal Panel</b>
Approve.

<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 set out in the Council's Corporate Plan	✓



Appendix 3

AREA PANEL 1 FUNDING APPROVALS 2005/6						
<b>Area Panel Budget for 2005/6</b>					<b>£29,000</b>	
<b>Budget carried forward from 2004/5</b>					<b>£ 2,891</b>	
<b>Total budget available for allocation in 2005/6</b>					<b>£31,891</b>	
<b>Total budget allocated in 2005/06</b>					<b>£ 19,414</b>	
<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount requested</b>	<b>Amount approved</b>	<b>Date approval given</b>	<b>Grant paid</b>	<b>Ward</b>
Derwent Community Panel	Knapsack sprayer equipment	£757.53	£150	8 June 2005	Work to be done by Derby Homes	Derwent
Community Church Derby	Chaddesden help and support	£1,000	£1,000	8 June 2005	£1,000	Chaddesden
27 <sup>th</sup> Derby (Chaddesden) Scout Group	Replacement of heating	£2,500	£2,500	8 June 2005	£2,500	Chaddesden
Chaddesden Age Concern Committee	Replacement of two oven cookers	£750	£750	8 June 2005	£750	Chaddesden
Friends of Chaddesden Park	Balloon Race	£326.49	£325	8 June 2005	£325	Chaddesden
Derby City Council Sport Development Team	Football tournament	£344	£344	8 June 2005	£198. There was an under spend of £146	All wards
145 <sup>th</sup> Breadsall Hilltop Scout Group	Fencing around scout hut	£1,495	£1,495	7 September 2005	£1,495	Derwent
Chaddesden Park Allotment Association	Security fencing	£4,000	£3,200	7 September 2005	£3,200	Chaddesden
Nottingham Road and District Allotment Association	Meeting and rest room	£1,332	£1,332	7 September 2005	£1,332	Chaddesden / Derwent

Youth Service and Connexions	Equipment for Oakwood Youth Club	£1,048	£1,048	7 September 2005	Work to be done by the Council	Oakwood
Windyridge Women's Institution	Room hire	£300	£300	2 November 2005	£300	Chaddesden / Derwent
Chaddesden Wood Local Nature Reserve	Marker posts and signage	£1,770	£1,770	2 November 2005	£1,770	Oakwood
Tuesday Senior Citizens Club	Day trips for senior citizens	£200	£200	2 November 2005	£200	Derwent
66 <sup>th</sup> Derby (1 <sup>st</sup> Spondon) Scout Group	Scout HQ kitchen renovation	£3,000	£3,000	2 November 2005	£3,000	Spondon
Derwent into Gardening	Plants on wheels – exhibition trailer	£2,000	£2,000	2 November 2005	£2,000	Derwent