

Agenda Item No.3 (a)**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****CABINET MEMBER FOR STRATEGIC POLICY, ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT AND BUDGET****13 December 2016****COMMUNITY PRIORITIES PROGRAMME****1. Purpose of the Report**

To update the Cabinet Member for Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget on the 31 projects supported by the Community Priorities Programme.

2. Information and Analysis

At Cabinet on 24 May 2016, Members agreed to establish a £2.271 million Community Priorities Programme using one off resources identified from General Reserves. The new Programme which will run for two years, will target and support activity in designated geographical areas. Devolving funds to a local level to support community activities, particularly activity which helps communities help themselves, supports the Council's priorities and sits alongside current work on Thriving Communities.

The Community Priorities Programme aims to support the development of projects which meet real identified needs, supports communities and families, builds community capacity and are sustainable. As a minimum all projects are required to:

- Support activity principally benefiting the designated LSOA
- Support the aims and objectives of the Thriving Communities programme
- Link into Thriving Communities activity in areas where work is currently being piloted where possible
- Be time limited and not require ongoing funding from the Council
- Complement, not duplicate other funding sources such as the Public Health Locality Fund, the members Community Leadership Scheme etc.
- Show how activity can be sustained beyond the life of the funding
- Meet an identified need which can be evidenced through for example, English Indices of Deprivation, the Derbyshire Quilt etc.
- Be delivered within agreed timescales
- Show how local people have helped in the design of identified activity or have been consulted/engaged

- Show what difference is being made.

To date 31 projects have been approved totalling £285,504. These range from £600 for a large lawnmower to cut grass around the footpaths on the edges of Kirk Hallam Lake to £50,000 towards a new Creswell Heritage and Wellbeing Centre, which will involve removing the swimming pool and redesigning the facilities to include a large flexible hall, soft play area and mining heritage experience. Appendix A gives details about each of the projects funded, this shows that even small amounts of funding can make a big difference. Some of the project ideas that came forward initially needed refining to ensure they were eligible and could demonstrate the long term sustainability of the project. There were a few instances where the project idea would not be unable to meet the criteria and so these were not pursued.

There are another 31 applications in various stages of development. These include the following which will be considered at the meeting of the Cabinet Member for Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget on 13 December:

£50,000 towards play equipment and a splash park at Shirebrook Town Park and £30,000 towards the setting up of a 'Bits and Bobs at Home' service by Volunteer Centre Glossop which will provide cleaning, home maintenance, DIY and gardening.

In addition Elected Members are working in their communities to progress other ideas and identify further possible projects that they can bring forward.

3. Financial Considerations

To ensure that there is compliance with the Council's Financial Regulations, all approved projects will be issued with standard conditions of grant and will be subject to monitoring and evaluation.

4. Equality and Diversity Considerations

The Community Priorities Programme will ensure that the funding set aside will be targeted to the most deprived and disadvantaged areas of the county.

5. Social Value Considerations

The Community Priorities Programme will support the development of projects in the 50% most deprived LSOAs in the county, engaging with local people and supporting the improvement of the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the communities concerned.

6. Other Considerations

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered; legal, prevention of crime and disorder, environmental, human resources, health, property and transport considerations.

7. Background Papers

- The English Indices of Deprivation report to Cabinet - 3 November 2015
- Reserves Position report to Cabinet - 26 January 2016
- Community Priorities Programme report to Cabinet – 24 May 2016
- Creswell Heritage and Wellbeing Centre report to the Cabinet Member for Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget - 11 October 2016
- Marehay Cricket Club report to the Cabinet Member for Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget - 11 October 2016
- Chatsworth Arts Centre report to the Cabinet Member for Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget – 25 October 2016

8. Key Decision

No

9. Call-in

Is it required that call-in be waived for any decision on this report? **No**

10. Officer's Recommendations

It is recommended that Corporate Management Team:

1. Note the 31 projects totalling £285,504 that have been approved to date.

Ian Stephenson
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Appendix A

Councillor	Project description	Amount	Total project cost	Date approved
Cllr Andy Botham	The funding has provided replacement windows at Hurst Farm Centre, contributed towards the launch, set up equipment for the new centre and future events/activities.	£2,700	£2,700	03/06/2016
Cllr Roland Hosker	Long Eaton Rugby Club is to extend and refurbish their clubhouse as it has seen a growth in members and community use. This will also support the installation of a full pitch of floodlights on the training pitch.	£10,000	£65,718	21/07/2016
Cllr Ron Mihaly	The funding will enable Inspire Community Garden to involve more local people in the gardens. This includes purchasing more tools, materials and equipment to install raised beds, a site hut, construct a composting toilet and establish a soft fruit area/orchard.	£4,950	£10,000	11/08/2016
Cllr Ron Mihaly	The funding will be used to demolish the chapel at the back of the currently closed community St Francis Community Centre on Boythorpe Estate in Chesterfield. The hall has been closed since May 2016 due to the condition of the chapel, the demolition of the chapel would enable the community hall to reopen.	£7,500	£13,700	11/08/2016
Cllr Dave Wilcox	To continue of a variety of community activities in Gamesley predominantly run from the Geoffrey Allen Centre. Funding will enable G52 to develop capacity and establish more sustainable forms of support and income.	£6,000	£7,500	11/08/2016
Cllr Duncan McGregor	To support Creswell Model Village Neighbourhood and Friends to increase community activity and involvement in their garden. It will include awareness raising, purchase of tools, resources and equipment to	£2,283	£2,283	24/08/2016

	build a sustainable garden, construction of an outdoor classroom and growing fruit and vegetables.			
Cllr Paul Smith	To support newly established community group OSCAR to extend its current allotment project and offer more activities and opportunities for local residents in Riddings and Ironville. The funding will purchase and construct a 10 x 20 foot workshop, a polytunnel and tools.	£2,944	£2,944	12/09/2016
Cllr David Williams	The funding will be used to allow Heage Village Hall to undertake essential maintenance to the wooden floor in the main hall to meet health and safety standards.	£1,592	£1,592	12/09/2016
Cllr Michelle Booth	This would support Friends of Kirk Hallam Lake and Meadows to purchase a large lawnmower that is capable of cutting around the edges of the lake where the footpaths exist.	£600	£600	16/09/2016
Cllr Ron Mihaly	Monkey Park Community Interest Company community hub hosts local community and peer support groups. They wish to screen off an area to provide more privacy and purchase some equipment and furniture for this area.	£2,220	£2,220	19/09/2016
Cllr Stuart Brittain/ Cllr Ron Mihaly	Monkey Park Community Interest Company will provide self-confidence workshops and a pathway to self-employment for people in south Chesterfield, including Brampton, Boythorpe, St Augustines & Grangewood.	£8,600 Cllr Brittain - £4,300 Cllr Mihaly - £4,300	£8,600	19/09/2016
Cllr Duncan McGregor	Hodthorpe allotments have been relocated to a new site with 71 plots. They are looking to install two compostable toilets based on a 6m x 3m slabbed area and a mobile fire trolley.	£3,418	£3,418	21/09/2016
Cllr Duncan	Hodthorpe Woodland Walk is a one hectare area of	£3,662	£3,662	21/09/2016

McGregor	semi-natural green space. They wish to install seating in the form of a 15 foot long carved chestnut log bench and purchase signposts and trees.			
Cllr Duncan McGregor	Shuttlewood Link plan to run a parent/grandparent and toddler group two mornings a week at the Oxcroft miners' welfare. The grant will secure the room rental for an initial 12 months, train volunteers and ensure that the room is completely child friendly and secure.	£2,200	£2,200	21/09/2016
Cllr Joan Dixon	Rhubarb Farm wishes to set up a Men in Sheds project, to provide support for older, isolated men. This will take the form of using a portakabin to run practical activities such as woodwork, mechanical or welding activities or model-making run by and for men.	£8,388	£8,388	21/09/2016
Cllr Dean Collins	This project will provide a holiday hunger programme and additional activities such as games and reading clubs to children and parents in Barrow Hill. The project will also provide education and training to families on healthy behaviours.	£8,222	£8,222	07/10/2016
Cllr Dean Collins	This funding would allow Growth Activities CIC to start a number of health and well-being programmes and events in Barrow Hill and wider Staveley Area and develop a healthier culture in the community.	£8,000	£8,000	07/10/2016
Cllr Duncan McGregor	This is towards the redevelopment of the Creswell Heritage and Wellbeing Centre into a mixed use facility reaching out to more local people. Removing the pool. would result in a large reduction in the current staffing costs and reductions in energy, utilities and maintenance costs.	£50,000	£500,000	11/10/2016
Cllr David Williams/ Cllr Steve Freeborn	Marehay Cricket is looking to build a new scoreboard (not including the scoreboard) with a storage facility underneath to allow them to store a range of items used at training sessions and equipment for community	£23,620 Cllr Williams - £17,760	£23,620	11/10/2016

	events. The lack of storage prevents them from extending the wider community offer.	Cllr Freeborn - £5,860		
Cllr John Owen	The Drop Inn Belper will use the funding to support the development of its volunteering programme so that it is more sustainable. The attendees at the centre are quite challenging with some at risk of exclusion from school and others misusing substances and/or alcohol.	£7,000	£7,000	11/10/2016
Cllr Dave Allen	Rother Community Sports Action Group will use the funding to provide activities over the school holidays for 2016/17. This will engage both young people and families in a variety of activities which will improve their health and wellbeing, improve their skills, learn new things, eat healthily and provide the children with lunch during the holidays.	£5,000	£5,000	12/10/2016
Cllr Roland Hosker	The Chatsworth Arts Centre wish to extend the existing building. This work will create an additional self-contained modern, multi-purpose community space which will stand alone from the current theatre. This space can cater for outside groups on a regular basis and will ensure the building is used to its maximum potential.	£33,000	£180,000	25/10/2016
Cllr Duncan McGregor	The current skatepark at Whitwell is a metal structure that has been temporarily closed down due to the noise of the metal structure creates. The parish council wish to replace the metal ramps with concrete which will significantly reduce the intensity of impact noises.	£10,000	£91,000	25/10/2016
Cllr Joan Dixon	This project seeks to support a joint venture proposal for three sports teams in the area Langwith Amateur Boxing Club, Langwith Cricket Club and Langwith Whitestar Football Club. The clubs want to develop local coaching capacity and be able to manage the	£8,390	£8,390	25/10/2016

	increased attendance and size of the clubs by purchasing new equipment.			
Cllr Paul Smith	Somerlea Park Centre is looking to improve its kitchen facilities and buy new equipment so it can operate a Super Kitchen from the centre. The funding will provide a two year subscription to Super Kitchen and purchase commercial refrigeration and cooking equipment, extractor, cooking utensils and crockery.	£14,071	£14,071	25/10/2016
Cllr Steve Marshall-Clarke	South Normanton Area Foodbank is looking to set up a new satellite foodbank in Alfreton town centre. The funding will cover the initial set up costs, the advice and resource of an experienced member of staff from South Normanton foodbank and the initial training of volunteers.	£8,100	£8,100	25/10/2016
Cllr Stuart Brittain	The Loundsley Green Community Trust would like to deliver two 10-week Equipped to Succeed programmes for vulnerable individuals, people with multiple disadvantages and those furthest from being engaged with the local community. The programme develops self-esteem, confidence, personal motivation and helps participants to look to re-engage through volunteering, education and training or returning to work.	£8,490	£8,490	31/10/2016
Cllr Julie Hill	They project is to purchase a large shed 24 foot x 10 foot and table and chairs. This will enable the members of the allotment to host community activities relating to all elements of growing and gardening as well general health and wellbeing activities.	£4,750	£4,750	08/11/2016
Cllr Linda Chilton	The project is to install a fully functional kitchen in Goseley Community Centre and relocate its male toilets to get the most out of the space available. It will also enable them to hire the centre out for private	£18,000	£18,000	09/11/2016

	parties as they previously were unable to prepare and cook food.			
Cllr Beth Atkins	This fund will provide a cooking skills class for 132 children at St Georges C of E Primary School in New Mills over two years. It will aim to inspire children to learn to cook and enjoy good food.	£1,904	£1,904	17/11/2016
Cllr Ellie Wilcox/Cllr Dave Wilcox/Cllr Damien Greenhalgh	Glossop Arts Project is to redevelop three areas which are underused, neglected local spaces and connect local people to them. These are Manor Park, Gamesley Sidings and Hadfield, with all three having an audio trail installed. The project will work with local women to produce artwork and textiles, Hadfield and Gamesley Sidings will work with socially isolated women.	£12,900	£12,900	17/11/2016