

Chesham and Chiltern Villages

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Recommendation

Members of the Chesham and Chiltern Villages Local Area Forum are invited **to note** the progress made on projects that were agreed at the meeting on 2 December 2009.

Summary

1. This report relates to the bids agreed for funding from the PAYP budget of £5000 devolved to Chesham and Chiltern Villages Local Area Forum for allocation in 2009/10.

Positive Activities for Young People budget

2. PAYP funding is received by Buckinghamshire County Council as a direct grant with clear objects attached. The PAYP budget can only be used for activities, staffing, an event/activity or small items of equipment relevant to young people aged 13-19.
3. The budget must be spent on expenditure relating to this financial 2009/10.

Update on successful bids

4. Bid for Street football, moped maintenance (Nexus/ CDC)
5. At their December 2009 meeting members of the LAF agreed with the recommendations from the youth service in terms of funding the following activities

Street Football for 30 participants for 1.5 hrs per week for 10 weeks



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£350 for the hire of facilities plus **£200** be given for transport costs for those young people coming from the Pond Park area and **£300** for those young people coming from the Waterside area. **Total: £850.00**

6. Street Football is progressing well

Weekly numbers are very good with a regular attendance of around the 25 - 30 young people.

Partners and the Police are developing links with Revd Sam Owoo's Hivings Free Church Youth Club; PCSOs have agreed to attend and support the activities and local professional footballer Wycombe Wanderers FC coach Akeel Akwa provides a positive role model for the young Asian men.

7. Future Actions include:

- Consulting specifically with girls who could also be catered for in the area.
- Working closely with Revd Sam and supporting his Youth Club
- Organising a trip to reward positive behaviour change, again include the girls in decision making.
- Consideration of running these activities again if funding available.
- Identifying leaders in the group to participate in Chesham Youth Council
- Consideration of Summer youth football tournament amongst all the LAF funded football teams

8. Funding for a Moped Maintenance course (**£400**) was also agreed at the December meeting. Progress has been slower on this project. CDC/Nexus officers have asked for LAF approval that, if necessary, this £400 to be used on other positive activities for young people, designed to achieve the same outcomes.

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9. The Air Training Corp was granted £375 to broaden their training programme to include First Aid, Radio Communications, Flight Stimulator, DoE. A similar sum was granted by Amersham LAF.

10. No update on progress has been received yet but it is hoped that this will be available before the meeting on 3rd March

Chesham Youth Council and Chesham Town Council Anti Graffiti Project within the Skate Park

11. Chesham Youth Council/ CTC were allocated £1000 for an anti-graffiti project on Chesham Lowndes Park skate-park. Artists and young people will create a mural to tackle defacement of skate park. The work involves 10 – 20 young people during February.

12. Contact has been made with a team of graffiti artists who are very interested in working with the Youth Council to paint the ramps at the skate park. The Youth Council will be meeting during week commencing 22 February.

Midnight Ice Skating Trip (Chesham Youth Club members) at Alexandra Palace in December 2009

13. The senior group at Chesham Youth Club wanted to include the annual Midnight Skating event at Alexandra Palace in their winter programme this year. This event on 4 December 2009 was just for Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire and Bucks young people

encouraging social interaction of different youth groups as well as physical activity. The amount of £456 was agreed by the Head of Youth and Community.

14. The midnight ice-skating trip to Alexandra Palace was extremely successful, with Bucks young people being the first people on the ice – and in the opinion of the youth service, the most talented! 40 young people participated, 14 of whom were from Chesham, the rest being from North Bucks.

Sound studio Sessions @ Chiltern View Children's Home in Chesham

- 15 "Sound Out" is a project focused in developing self esteem, expression and confidence in young people through music production and recording. Working towards a CD outcome participants learn how to create and produce music, write lyrics, and about recording techniques. The project started in November and is taking place over 4 months at the Chiltern View Children's Home and the Sound Studio in High Wycombe. It is anticipated that Sound Studio will work with 16 young people over 4 months (approx 10 sessions per young person lasting about 3 hours)

Approval for £2000 was given by the Head of Youth and Community due time constraints.

16. Two thirds of the sessions at Chiltern View have now been held. The work done so far has been extremely positive, the response has been excellent and although numbers at the home change during the sessions the integration with the activity has been strong. Recently the group had their first visit to the Studios in High Wycombe and were extremely keen to get involved with learning the basics of studio recording. Linkages are also being made with a past participant who has left the home but moved to Aylesbury allowing for continuation to occur and a regular activity for the young person which is really beneficial for their development and progression. Having had such a good response, Sound Studio are hoping to keep regular links with Chiltern View once the booked sessions come to an end.

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