Report by: Cambridgeshire Community Foundation

**To**: Area Committee – East, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2011 **Wards**: Abbey, Coleridge, Petersfield, Romsey

#### **Community Development Grants 2011-12**

#### 1. Introduction

This report reminds members of the process for the allocation of Community Development and Leisure grants by Area Committees, confirms the funds available, seeks approval for applications which have been assessed and lists further applications which are still under review.

The application process has been managed by Cambridgeshire Community Foundation (CCF) from April 09. CCF advertise available funds; support potential applicants; assess applications; present recommendations to Area Committees; advise applicants of Area Committee decisions; make grant payments and seek feedback and monitoring from the funded projects. CCF does not therefore make decisions on the grants awarded from the Area Committee funds.

#### 2. Recommendations

To consider the grant applications and agree recommendations detailed below.

Community Development current applications. Available: £11,625					
CCF ID	Group	Project	Requested £	Recommended from Area Committee Grants £	
WEB 27551	Mill Road Winter Fair	purchase of signs for community fair.	850	850	
WEB 33372	East Barnwell Childminding Group	ride-on toys, scooters & sports equipment.	657	657	

#### 3. Background

The Executive Councillor has approved the following allocation of 10% of the total Community Development grants budget and 5% of the total Leisure grants budget for area committee grants. It has been calculated using population levels and is also weighted to give additional funds to areas of economic disadvantage as defined by the City Council's *Mapping poverty* research report.

2011-12						
Area	Popul- ation	Mapping Poverty score	Combined score	Community Development £	Leisure £	Total £
North	29%	40%	36.5%	17,200	4,570	21,770
East	29%	35%	32.8%	14,930	3,970	18,900
South	21%	20%	20.4%	9,250	2,460	11,710
West	21%	5%	10.3%	4,720	1,250	5,970
Central						
			Total	46,100	12,250	58,350

# 4. East Area Committee 2011-12 Community Development applications

## 4.1 Community Development 2011-12 spend to date: £3,305

ID	Group	Project	<b>AC Grant</b>
WEB20060	Friends of Mill Road	to run an Open Day in the cemetery	£450
	Cemetery	in July 2011 inviting people to a	
		celebration of stone.	
WEB20475	TJ KIDS Home from	to provide new equipment and	£500
	Home	resources.	
3013	East Barnwell	an outing to the coast and meal.	£250
	Friendship Club		
WEB26599	Christ the Redeemer	summer holiday activities for families	£1,205
	Church	with pre-school and primary age	
		children.	
WEB26636	East Barnwell	replacement of broken chairs.	£900
	Community Centre		
Total			
Remaining			

4.2 Grant application background information

East Area Committee 2011-12 grants CCF ref WEB27551

Date received by CCF: 08/09/2011

Applicant: Mill Road Winter Fair Ward(s): Mill Road area

**Purpose of group:** The Mill Road Winter Fair celebrates the richness of life in the neighbourhood of Mill Road by highlighting the diverse opportunities that exist for local residents and aims to attract interest in Mill Road from other Cambridge residents not familiar with the area. Each year many thousands of people take part in and enjoy this remarkable event, raising the profile of Mill Road, increasing awareness of the many and diverse businesses and community groups on and around Mill Road and generally establishing the area's identity in Cambridge.

Project: purchase of signs.

**Breakdown of costs:** Marquee / tables £4,660; Insurance £700; Open space hire / TEN £85; Radio hires and Shopsafe £185; St John Ambulance £500; Road Closure costs £3,775; Gate closure £200; Bus diversion £250; Programmes £6,200; Letters £50; Posters/flyers £104; Signage/banners £1000; Other expenses inc. postage £420

Total cost: £18,129.00 Requested: £850.00

**Expected benefits or outcomes as a result of funding as described by the applicant:** As a committee we see our main role as facilitating the community to produce the fair that they would like and in the process bringing together a wide range of different people, communities and businesses. This means, for example, providing places for people to have stalls or to be part of The Food Fair or setting up the places where they can perform such as with the buskers, childrens events or exhibitions. We therefore concentrate on providing a good infrastructure such as managing the road closure and producing a brochure and website. The consequence is a remarkable celebration of the disprate groups, raising awareness of the diversity of businesses, communities, faiths and organisations in the area. This in turn gives them greater respect and confidence and enhances integration and empowerment continuing after the day throughout the year. **Number of beneficiaries: 10,000** 

**Background information:** This year we would like to invest in some signs in response to a major criticism we receive each year, which is that people find it hard to find the different activities. We have developed a signage sub-committee to steer this and have received an indication of support from Cambridge Building Society. This grant would help us to work with CBS to produce signs which are useful, attractive and durable so that they can be used year on year.

**CCF Comments:** Feedback from the previous fair indicates it was well attended. Increased advertising attracted more people and extended road closures improved access. Funding requested this year is specifically for signage to address criticism received.

**Previous funding from this Area Committee:** £450 in 07/08 for a website; £2,480 in 07/08 for running costs of fair; £2,461 in 08/09 for costs of marquee and flooring and a contribution to other costs of the fair; £3,500 in 09/10 for running costs of fair; £1,250 in 10/11 for volunteer, operational and publicity costs.

**CCF recommendation: Award £850** 

East Area Committee 2010-11 grants CCF ref WEB33372

Date received by CCF: 12/10/2011

Applicant: East Barnwell Childminding Group Ward(s): Abbey

**Purpose of group:** To provide weeky activities and play for children from birth to 5 years and their carers. This is for everyone in and around our community. We provide drinks and snacks for children and their carers. We also provide the materials for weekly activities, including arts, crafts and small amounts of cooking.

Project: floor covering, ride-on toys, scooters & sports equipment.

**Breakdown of costs:** Flooring £137.95 incl VAT; Ride-on toys X8 £226.93 incl VAT Scooters X2 £59.98 incl VAT; Sports equipment (balls bean bags stepping stone) £52.99; Tommee tippee drinking cups X20 @£1.95 = £39.00; Replacement toys (various) Allowing £100.00; Arts & crafts equipment (various) Allowing £40.00

Total cost: £657.00 Requested: £657.00

**Expected benefits or outcomes as a result of funding as described by the applicant:** This will enable the children to express themselves through physical action & sound, to provide physical activities in a safe environment; enhance the play experience though gross motor skills; make the group as safe & accessable to as many people as possible. We want to make the flooring more appealing to all ages as at the moment we do not have adequate safe/soft flooring, which we hope to change with your help. **Number of beneficiaries: 20** 

**Background information:** The group run one session a week on Tuesday mornings at the East Barnwell Centre. The sessions are open to child minders who may have several children in their care and to parents/families. Attendees pay £1.50 per session which does not always cover the hall hire costs (£9.30 per morning) as sometimes only 4 adults plus children attend. The group are currently trying to raise awareness and attract new attendees, with 2 joining recently. Funding is requested for a floor covering made up of foam jigsaw pieces that will be more attractive and safer for young children. Funding will also be spent on new ride-on toys to take advantage of the large amount of space they have available at the East Barnwell Centre. They have a cupboard at the centre for storage.

**CCF Comments:** The group have now adopted a written constitution. CCF are awaiting submission of this and other accompanying documents ( eg child protection and safeguarding policy). The applicant is researching the need for insurance.

Previous funding from this Area Committee: New applicant.

CCF recommendation: Subject to submission of documentation, Award £657

# 5. East Area Committee 2011-12 Leisure applications: none

## **5.1 Leisure 2010-11 spend to date:** £865

ID	Group	Project	AC Grant		
WEB26136	Abbey and Coleridge Action for Youth	football coaching programme	£865		
Total					
		Remaining	£3,105		

# 6. Status of other recent applications from groups based in, or working in the East Area

CCF ID	Group	Project	Date received	Status
WEB31987	Little Bookworms	running costs to stop the community library from closing.	03/10/2011	Under review

#### 7. Grant application background information

**BACKGROUND PAPERS** and research used in the preparation of this report:

Grant applications.

Monitoring from previous grant awards.

Telephone interview.

To inspect these documents contact Marion Branch on 01223 410535 or <a href="marion@cambscf.org.uk">marion@cambscf.org.uk</a>

#### Appendix 1

# **Area Committee grant conditions**

Community development grants enable projects which provide services or activities to benefit people living in one of the four areas of Cambridge City. Priority will be give to projects that are aimed at those people whose opportunities are restricted by disability, low income or discrimination.

- 1. Funds may also be used to meet any needs specific to its area as determined by the area committee.
- 2. Each area committee may decide to reserve part of its budget for one or more of these purposes. Grants may be awarded for capital or revenue expenditure.
- 3. Applications will be invited from:
  - constituted voluntary and not-for-profit organisations.
  - groupings of local residents able to meet basic accountability requirements.
  - partnerships of constituted group(s) and local residents.

Statutory agencies (such as Parish Councils and Schools) and commercial ventures are not eligible to apply.

- 4. There is no upper limit on application or grant award levels.
- 5. Members will generally be asked to consider and decide on applications twice a year.
- 6. Grants may be made between meetings if the applicants can demonstrate that they are unable to wait for the next scheduled grants meeting. CCF will consult with the Chair and, where relevant, ward members. The full committee will be notified at the next appropriate meeting.
- 7. Grants from Area Committee will not generally be made retrospectively.
- 8. Grants will be publicised, administered and monitored by CCF.