



ITEM FOR DECISION BY CABINET MEMBER

DECISION-MAKER: DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

DATE OF DECISION: NO EARLIER THAN 23RD JULY 2015

DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS: NOON ON 22ND JULY 2015

ITEM (1)

COMMUNITY PROJECTS FUND - APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Accountable Member	Councillor NJW Parsons Deputy Leader of the Council
Accountable Officer	Joseph Walker Community Partnerships Officer 01285 623000 joseph.walker@cotswold.gov.uk

Purpose of Report	To consider three new applications to the Community Projects Fund.
Recommendation(s)	That the Deputy Leader of the Council considers and determines three new applications for financial assistance under the Community Projects Fund
Reason(s) for Recommendation(s)	It is not considered appropriate for Officers to make a 'positive' or 'negative' recommendation on these applications.

Ward(s) Affected	Fosseridge; Sandywell; The Ampneys & Hampton
Key Decision	No
Recommendation to Council	No

Financial Implications	As detailed below
Legal and Human Rights Implications	None
Environmental and Sustainability Implications	None

Human Resource Implications	None
Key Risks	None
Equalities Analysis	The Community Projects Fund scheme has been impact assessed.

Related Decisions	None
Background Documents	None
Appendices	Appendix 'A' - Application forms

Performance Management Follow Up	Projects are monitored by Ward Councillors prior to grant payments being raised
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Options for Joint Working	Not on individual projects
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<p>Background Information</p> <p>1. <u>Projects for Consideration</u></p> <p>1.1 <u>Ampney Crucis Village Hall</u></p> <p>The Ampney Crucis Village Hall Management Committee is seeking a grant of £3,250 towards a £13,000 project to replace the hall windows and making good the decoration afterwards. The Committee is expecting the balance to be met by two grants, including one from the Ampney Crucis Community Council, which will meet the requirement for a local contribution.</p> <p>1.2 <u>Bledington Village Hall - Structural Repairs</u></p> <p>1.2.1 This Council awarded a grant of £5,000 to Bledington Village Hall last year for repairs to the north elevation of its roof. This work is now underway, but has brought to light other significant repairs which need to be undertaken, including strengthening of the roof supports, and rebuilding the west wall of the building. Bledington Village Hall is therefore looking for a further grant of £5,000 for this project, towards additional costs of £62,000. If this application is approved, the Village Hall will have received the maximum grant of £10,000.</p> <p>1.2.2 Ordinarily, this Council does not support cost overruns on projects, but the additional works required in this instance are considered to be of such significance as to constitute a new project.</p> <p>1.3 <u>Whittington Village Hall - Replacement Windows</u></p> <p>The Lightbourne and Lawrence Educational Foundation, the body responsible for this Hall, is seeking a grant of £1,075 towards a project cost of £4,295 to replace the windows in the Village Hall. The balance of the funds will come for local fundraising and the Hall's accounts. This Hall received grant aid in a sum of £3,420 in 2014 towards the cost of repairs to the roof.</p>	
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