

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL.
Officer report to Portfolio Holder
County Councillor Mr W Jones
13th January 2010

REPORT AUTHOR: Community Regeneration Manager

SUBJECT: Community Enablement Support Fund Capital and Revenue applications

REPORT FOR: Decision

This report details the applications that have been received for the additional round of CESF grant support for the benefit of Community Groups and Voluntary Organisations. This has resulted from previously approved projects being under spent or the applicant organisations unable to raise the additional funding they required.

Proposal

Applications have been assessed in accordance with the criteria set out in the Guide to Grants for Community Groups and Voluntary Organisations revised in 2005/06. Where the recommendation suggests supporting organisations, the purpose of an organisation's application meets the objectives of one, if not more, of the Authority's strategies or plans.

A summary of the requests is shown in the following tables for ease of reference to the full contents of the report:

Community Enablement Support Fund Capital Applications (See Appendix 1)

The remaining budget is £6,810 and there will be £650 remaining for allocation if the recommendations in this report are approved.

Organisation	Request	Recommendation
Berriew Recreation Association	£5,756	£5,756
Middletown Village Show Committee	£404	£404
Total Recommendations	£6,160	£6,160

Corporate Improvement Plan

Providing financial assistance is in accordance with one of the key priorities of the Corporate Improvement Plan, namely to enhance Social and Economic Development within the Authority's area

Options Considered/Available

Not applicable

Preferred Choice and Reasons

As outlined in the report, the preferred choices are the recommendations detailed at Appendix 1

Sustainability and Environmental Issues/Equalities/Other Policies

Comments of Portfolio Holder

The financial support provided through the Funds to Community and Voluntary Organisations is one the key factors in maintaining and sustaining our local communities in Powys

Comments of Local Member(s)

Not applicable

Other Consultations Undertaken

Consultation has been undertaken with Officers of the Authority with specialist knowledge

Recommendation:	Reason for Recommendation:
To approve individual awards listed Appendix 1	In line with current criteria as outlined in the Guide to Grants for Community Groups and Voluntary Organisations (dated 2005).

Person(s) To Action Decision:	Community Regeneration Manager
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Date By When Decision To Be Actioned:	
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Relevant Policy (ies):	Guide to Grants for Community Groups and Voluntary Organisations Powys Arts and Culture Strategy Powys Community Strategy		
Within Policy:	Yes	Within Budget:	Yes
Relevant Portfolio Member(s):	Cllr Wynne Jones		

Relevant Local Member(s):	All Powys Members where applicable
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Background Papers used to prepare Report:

Appendix 1 – Capital applications

Organisation	Project Cost	Requesting	Recommendation
CG4702 Middletown Village Show Committee Purchase of Marquee, tables and chairs	£803.66	£404	An award of £404 is recommended.
<p>Reason for recommendation</p> <p>Middletown Village Show Committee are seeking financial assistance towards the purchase of three small marquees.</p> <p>The Committee have found it increasingly difficult to rely upon borrowed and renting of equipment, particularly as last year they were let down at the last minute for the loan of some equipment and without satisfactory marquees, there are various logistical problems in running the show.</p> <p>The Annual show was resurrected after a 50 year absence in 2008 and held in the summer, the next event being Saturday 9th July 2011, and last year drew a crowd of approx 1,000 people from the locality. The Show has widened its scope including local art and craft worker demonstrations and music and intends to develop its activities further over the next couple of years.</p> <p>The applicant has stated that the balance of the cost of the proposal will come from income generated on the day of the Show or reserves. The amount requested is modest, and if awarded will undoubtedly enable the Show Committee to carry out many duties on the day more efficiently, also taking into consideration health and safety issues.</p> <p>A grant of £404 is recommended.</p>			

Organisation	Project Cost	Requested	Reason for recommendation
<p style="text-align: center;">CG</p> <p>Berriew Recreation Association</p> <p>Childrens play equipment</p>	£11,512	£5,756	<p>A grant of £5,756 is recommended subject to satisfactory health and safety requirements being in place.</p>

Reason for Recommendation

Berriew Recreation Association provides leisure facilities for the occupants of Berriew and the surrounding area.

There is currently a shortfall in the amenities available within the play area and the current equipment caters for toddlers and children up to 11 years old.

The application received is for funding towards replacing the current ageing and unsafe whirling platform and the replacement of the perimeter fencing so that both comply with the current Health and Safety regulations.

It is understood that no planning permission is required. The applicant also shows evidence that they meet statutory obligations with insurance, ROSPA Inspections, playground maintenance and repairs

An award of **£5756 is recommended on this occasion**, subject to satisfactory health and safety requirements being in place.