

Lancashire Local – Lancaster District
Meeting to be held on 19th January 2010

Part I - Item No. 4

Electoral Division affected:
All in Lancaster

Lancashire Local Member Grant Applications
Appendices 'A and B' Refer

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Executive Summary

This report presents an application from local organisations totalling £1145.00 to the Local Grants Scheme for Lancashire Local – Lancaster District. The 3 applications have been submitted by County Councillors Ken Brown and Janice Hanson. Appendix B contains details of the applications.

Decision Required

Lancashire Local – Lancaster District is asked to consider the applications set out in Appendix B in light of the information presented.

Background

Local grants are made under Section 2 of the Local Government Act 2000, which states that "Every local authority are to have power to do anything which they consider is likely to achieve any one or more of the following objects:

- the promotion or improvement of the economic well-being of their area,
- the promotion or improvement of the social well-being of their area, and
- the promotion or improvement of the environmental well-being of their area.

Lancashire County Council is committed to ensuring that the distinctive needs and interests of small groups are taken into account as their needs may differ from those of other larger voluntary organisations. Lancashire County Council's Local Grants Scheme enables each County Councillor to put forward proposals for expenditure in their electoral division. Each County Councillor will have a specific budget which they can spend to enhance the well-being of people who live in their area (division). For the financial year 2009/10 each County Councillor has a budget of £1,250. A maximum of £250 can be carried forward from the 2008/09 allocations to 2009/10 on the basis that it is already committed to projects (via the normal approval process) by the end of the 2009/10 financial year, this relates to returning County Councillors only.

In recommending applications for grants, regard must be had to the Lancashire Partnership's Sustainable Community Strategy, 'Ambition Lancashire', and County Councillors should ensure that approved grants contribute towards the

achievement/advancement/promotion of one or more of Ambition Lancashire's principles Narrowing the gap and Active and Involved Citizens and Communities. Consideration should also be given to the key priorities and themes in Ambition Lancashire.

Consultations

This application will be presented to and considered by Lancashire Local – Lancaster District.

Alternative options to be considered

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following financial implications:

Financial

The requested amounts can be met from the respective County Councillor's individual local grants budget. (See Appendix A).

Risk management

No significant risks have been identified in relation to the grant proposals contained within this Report.

Any representations made to the Directorate prior to the issue being considered in accordance with the Public Notice of Forward Plans

Name:	Organisation:	Comments:
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N/A

**Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985
List of Background Papers**

Paper	Date	Contact/Council/Tel No
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N/A

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A