

Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Families

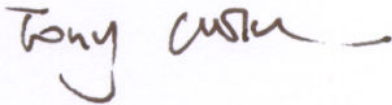
***Tuesday, 1 June 2010 at 12.00 pm
County Hall***

Items for Decision

The items for decision under individual Cabinet Members' delegated powers are listed overleaf, with indicative timings, and the related reports are attached. Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the working day on 9 June 2010 unless called in by that date for review by the appropriate Scrutiny Committee.

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May 2010

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Note: Date of next meeting: 6 July 2010

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Items for Decision

1. Declarations of Interest

2. Questions from County Councillors

Any county councillor may, by giving notice to the Proper Officer by 9 am on the working day before the meeting, ask a question on any matter in respect of the Cabinet Member's delegated powers.

The number of questions which may be asked by any councillor at any one meeting is limited to two (or one question with notice and a supplementary question at the meeting) and the time for questions will be limited to 30 minutes in total. As with questions at Council, any questions which remain unanswered at the end of this item will receive a written response.

Questions submitted prior to the agenda being despatched are shown below and will be the subject of a response from the appropriate Cabinet Member or such other councillor or officer as is determined by the Cabinet Member, and shall not be the subject of further debate at this meeting. Questions received after the despatch of the agenda, but before the deadline, will be shown on the Schedule of Addenda circulated at the meeting, together with any written response which is available at that time.

3. Petitions and Public Address

4. Chill Out Fund 2010/11 - June 2010 (Pages 1 - 22)

Forward Plan Ref: 2010/052

Contact: Ruth Ashwell, Area Service Manager – Youth (Central)

Tel: (01865) 810649

12:10 pm

Report by Director for Children, Young People & Families (**CMDCY4**).

The Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Families is RECOMMENDED to consider the applications (listed in paragraph 6 of this report) for grant support in the light of the officer recommendation as set out in the applications annexed to the report.

5. Early Years Capital Grants - June 2010 (Pages 23 - 24)

Forward Plan Ref: 2010/060

Contact: Marion Evans, Early Education Development Manager

Tel (01865) 815115

12.20 pm

Report by Director for Children, Young People & Families (**CMDCYP5**).

The Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Families is RECOMMENDED to approve the application from Stanford in the Vale Pre-school for funding from the Early Years Capital Grant, subject to appropriate contractual agreement.

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Division(s): N/A

CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & FAMILIES 1 JUNE 2010

IMPROVING AND EXTENDING PROVISION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN OXFORDSHIRE CHILL OUT BIDS FOR 2010

Report by the Director for Children, Young People & Families

Introduction

1. Oxfordshire County Council believes that YOUTH MATTERS and has set up a fund of £100,000 revenue and £100,000 capital to support work with children and young people across the county. The fund supports the aspirations of those working with children and young people in Oxfordshire to ensure all children and young people can access positive activities in their leisure-time by 2020.
2. How children and young people spend their leisure time has an important influence and impact on their resilience and quality of life. Engaging in constructive activities can increase their positive attitudes, improve motivation, increase aspirations, develop social and life skills, enhance interpersonal skills and help build social capital. Participation in positive activities can also help increase resilience of vulnerable children and young people who are trying to rebuild their lives. For children and young people with physical or learning disabilities it can be a lifeline and reduce social isolation. For groups such as young carers, positive activities provide respite and can improve their outlook and quality of life.
3. Projects must meet the broad aspirations above and be targeted at children and young people 8 – 19 years (extended to 24 years for young people with learning disabilities).
4. The Chill Out Fund will consider a wide range of bids supporting children and young people's access to positive activity. Applications for funding are invited that comply with the following criteria:
 - Capital or revenue funding – if both ensure the split is clear
 - Aimed at children and young people 8 – 19 (up to 24 for those with learning disabilities).
 - Show evidence of the involvement of young people in the application.
 - Demonstrate increased access to positive leisure-time activity.
 - Show matched funding from a source external to the county council.
 - Demonstrate the ability to account for funding.
5. Applications will be considered on a monthly basis.

Bids for June 2010

6. 3 applications have been received plus 1 deferred from May

Applicant organisation	Revenue	Capital	Amount recommended
The Park Sports Centre	630		630
Oxford Cricket Club	1000	2000	1500 (cap)
North Leigh Project	5000		5000
Unique Bodies (deferred from May)		5000	2500
TOTAL	6630	7000	9630

Awarded to date (April meeting, May meeting had not taken place at time of writing this)

Revenue £40560
 Capital £7200

Applications to May meeting

Revenue £18745.50
 Capital £18050.00

Applications to June meeting

Revenue £6630.00
 Capital £7000.00

RECOMMENDATION

7. **The Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Families is RECOMMENDED to consider the applications (listed in paragraph 6 of this report) for grant support in the light of the officer recommendation as set out in the application annexed to this report.**

MEERA SPILLETT
 Director for Children, Young People & Families

Background Papers: Application

Contact Officer: Ruth Ashwell, Area Service Manager – Youth (Central)
 Tel: (01865 810649)

June 2010

CHILL OUT FUND 2010-2011

Reference #: Meeting date:

Name of Organisation: Name of Project:

Revenue: Capital:

		Revenue	Capital
Total Cost of the Project (include funding already in place)		1260	
Breakdown of costs	11 free day visits for May half term	140	
	66 free day visits - summer	840	
	11 free places – October Half term	140	
	11 free places – February half term	140	
Identify amount and source of matched funding in place	£7 a day/child from ASDA Sporting chances	630	
Total Grant Aid requested from the Chill Out Fund		630	

Area: Central Northern Southern

Brief description of project

Active Zone is children's activities offer children aged 5-12 stimulating fun sessions in a wide variety of sports and activities. Would like to offer free days to a wider range of children who normally could not afford to attend summer camps.

young people benefiting

Age range:

Have they applied before Yes

No

If yes, when, how much and have they completed evaluation form

Comments:

This is an exciting bid and particularly good to see support via the private sector. This bid provides good value for money.

Completed by: *Ruth Ashwell*

Suggested amount to award £ 630



Chill Out Fund Application Form

1. Name of Organisation

The Park Sport Centre

Name of Project

ASDA sporting chance

2. Children and young people

Specify the age range of the children/young people that will be supported

5-12

Number of children/young people will benefit

22

Describe how children/young people have been involved in this application (please attach any supporting documentation to demonstrate their involvement)

A Questionnaire to the children was conducted on how we can make Active Zone better and what they feel would be beneficial. The out come was increased free days and the ability to offer the services to a wider range of people offering services to people who normally cant afford to come to the Summer Camp.

3. Access to positive activity in children/young people's leisure-time

Describe the project

Active Zone is our Children's Activities offer children aged 5-12 years stimulating, fun sessions in a wide variety of sports and activities, organised and led by enthusiastic and qualified staff. Active Zone runs mid-week.

Activities on offer may include:

- Recycled Arts and crafts
- Sporty sessions including trampolining, football, hockey, basketball and more...
- Team activities including bouncy castle, treasure hunts, puzzles and challenges
- Parachute, and sensory learning
- Dance work shops
- Face painting & Dressing up.
- ...and lots more!

Describe why this project is important

It offers a chance for children who cant afford to take part in the summer camps a fun and exciting opportunity over the holidays to get involved in sporting, creative and team building activities.

Describe the desired outcomes and impact for children/young people and local communities

An opportunity for Children within the local area get involved in sporting and creative activities in the Community. We offer Learning and skills development activities to children and young people which they may not normally be able to take part in as part of there day to day lives by offering free places over the holiday period to a number of people.

4. How much will the project cost?

Please let us know what the project costs are, breakdown the costs for both capital and/or revenue, identify how much and from where matched funding has been achieved and enter the amount(s) applied for from the Chill Out Fund

		Revenue	Capital
Total Cost of the Project (include funding already in place)			
Breakdown of costs	11 free day visits places a for may Half Term 2010	£ 140	
	66 free day visits places for the Summer Holidays 2010	£840	
	11 Free Places for October Half Term 2010	£140	
	11 Free Places for February half term 2011	£140	
Identify amount and source of matched funding in place	£7 a day per child from ASDA Sporting chance	£630	
Total Grant Aid requested from the Chill Out Fund		630	

5. Timescale

What is the timescale for this project (these must be within the 2010/2011 financial year)

Start 2010 Summer	Finish February 2011
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CHILL OUT FUND 2010-2011

Reference #:

COF026

Meeting date:

June

Name of Organisation

Oxford Cricket Club

Name of Project

Girls Cricket

Revenue:

£1000

Capital:

£2000

		Revenue	Capital
Total Cost of the Project (include funding already in place)		6850	
Breakdown of costs	Coaching costs	750	
	Ground hire/hall hire	1500	
	Batting cage		1300
	Bowling machine		2000
	Admin	300	
	Coaching education	1000	
Identify amount and source of matched funding in place	Step into sport grant		1300
	Club funds		2550
Total Grant Aid requested from the Chill Out Fund		1000	2000

Area: Central



Northern



Southern



Brief description of project

Provision of school, after school , holiday and winter coaching specifically girls.

The provision and development of woman's coaches to further the development and make it a sustainable activity.

young people benefiting

100

Age range:

7-18

Have they applied before Yes

No

If yes, when, how much and have they completed evaluation form

Yes £3000

Comments:

This bid builds on the previous work of the cricket club developing the work with young woman. Having recently funded the cricket club and noting the desire to work with girls in school time as well as out of school I suggest providing a donation towards this work.

Completed by: Ruth Ashwell

Suggested amount to award
£1500 capital



Chill Out Fund Application Form

1. Name of Organisation

Oxford Cricket Club

Name of Project

Girl cricket
- Oxford CC

2. Children and young people

Specify the age range of the children/young people that will be supported

7 - 18

Number of children/young people will benefit

100

Describe how children/young people have been involved in this application (please attach any supporting documentation to demonstrate their involvement)

Following on 'Chance to Shine' initiative and the success of the initiative last year we need to build further. Get more women coaches, provide dedicated facilities and improve the safety. We have identified Gill who joined the scheme last year wanting to take qualifications and become more active. This is essential to create the sustainability of the project.

3. Access to positive activity in children/young people's leisure-time
Describe the project

Provision of sessions, after school, holidays and winter coaching specifically for girls. The provision and development of women coaches to further the development and make it a sustainable activity.

Describe why this project is important

The 'fall off' in girls physical activity in their teenage years is significant. By providing activities for girls only in a safe and structured environment will allow them to develop and continue the activity with confidence and without embarrassment. The provision of more women coaches and the development of the scheme will provide an outlet for physical activity that is not easily available to girls.

Describe the desired outcomes and impact for children/young people and local communities

- i/ Dedicated facilities
- ii/ women coaches
- iii/ Sustainable activity
- iv/ Safe and child friendly environment
- v/ Well rounded activity
- vi/

4. How much will the project cost?
Please let us know what the project costs are, breakdown the costs for both capital and/or revenue, identify how much and from where matched funding has been achieved and enter the amount(s) applied for from the Chill Out Fund

		Revenue	Capital
Total Cost of the Project (include funding already in place)		6850	
Breakdown of costs	Coaching costs	750	
	Ground Hire / Hall Hire	1500	1500
	Battery Cage		1300
	Bowling Machine		2000
	Admin	300	
	Identify amount and source of matched funding in place	Step into Sport Grant	1300 - confirmed
	Club funds	2550 - confirmed	
Total Grant Aid requested from the Chill Out Fund		1600	3000

5. Timescale
What is the timescale for this project (these must be within the 2010/2011 financial year)

Start May 2010	Finish April 2011
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CHILL OUT FUND 2010-2011

Reference #: Meeting date:

Name of Organisation: Name of Project:

Revenue: Capital:

		Revenue	Capital
Total Cost of the Project (include funding already in place)		16233	
Breakdown of costs	Youth Workers Pay	8400	
	Premises	4521	
	Equipment	1371	
	Events	675	
	General Costs	1266	
Identify amount and source of matched funding in place	Religious community	4000	
	North Leigh Parish Council	1100	
	Church Trust and St Marys Church	1500	
Total Grant Aid requested from the Chill Out Fund		5000	

Area: Central Northern Southern

Brief description of project

A well established open inclusive centre that is well equipped to offer a service that is well equipped to offer a secure, stimulating environment for leisure and constructive activities to all young people in the area. Currently 4 sessions per week accommodating different age groups.

young people benefiting

123

Age range:

11-18

Have they applied before

Yes

No

If yes, when, how much and have they completed evaluation form

£5000

Comments:

A well established voluntary youth provision. I would support this application in full.

Completed by: Anthony Sayles

Suggested amount to award
£5000

Chill Out Fund Application Form

1. Name of Organisation

NORTH LEIGH YOUTH PROJECT

Name of Project

NORTH LEIGH YOUTH PROJECT

2. Children and young people

Specify the age range of the children/young people that will be supported

11-18

Number of children/young people will benefit

123 Registered

Describe how children/young people have been involved in this application (please attach any supporting documentation to demonstrate their involvement)

Young headers are promoted through the project and attend committee meetings to share the views of the Young People.
The Social Action Group discuss the project and plan forward with the Young people and Youth workers.

3. Access to positive activity in children/young people's leisure-time

Describe the project

A well established open inclusive centre that is well equipped to offer a secure, stimulating environment for leisure and constructive activities to all Young people in the area.
Currently 4 sessions per week accommodating different age groups.

Describe why this project is important

The project offers vital space and support for Young People, not only from our village but from adjoining villages with a similar facility and also Young People from Witney especially Madley Park.

Contd/:

Describe why this project is important continued.

The Project now employs 2 Qualified paid Youth Workers and 1 paid Assistant with volunteers at 2 of the sessions all of whom are CRB Checked prior to commencement.

The Social Action Group offers Bible Readings and Prayer and gives the Young People the opportunity to study Faith and Social integration in more depth.

The Project is the only place the Young People have to socialise and interact within the village and is fully inclusive offering Sanctuary to vulnerable Young People reducing possible Social isolation.

We believe Young People attending the centre develop good social interaction skills, have improved motivation, aspirations and life skills. At the same time reducing possibilities of anti-social behaviour and possible crime.

Describe the desired outcomes and impact for children/young people and local communities

To be able to continue to develop the project with the Young People, offering age appropriate activities at each session. Allowing the Young People to take calculated risks within a safe, supervised environment. Developing skills for interaction in the wider

community.
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4. How much will the project cost?

Please let us know what the project costs are, breakdown the costs for both capital and/or revenue, identify how much and from where matched funding has been achieved and enter the amount(s) applied for from the Chill Out Fund

		Revenue	Capital
Total Cost of the Project (include funding already in place)		16 233	
Breakdown of costs	Youth Workers' pay	8 400	
	Premises	4 521	
	Equipment	1 371	
	Events	675	
	General costs	1 266	
Identify amount and source of matched funding in place	Religious Community	4,000	
	North hough Parish Council	1,000	
	St Marys Church Church Trust	500 1,000	
Total Grant Aid requested from the Chill Out Fund		5,000	

5. Timescale

What is the timescale for this project (these must be within the 2010/2011 financial year)

Start 01/04/2010	Finish 31/12/2010 31/03/2011
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Desired outcomes contd/.

The Social Action Group are currently involved with Age Concern offering IT lessons, helping older people understand and use computers.

Currently arranging First Aid courses for Babysitters and Young People to promote skills and safety and give relevant skills for the benefit of the community.

The Youth Centre is also used by local groups such as - Guides, Windmill Players, Scrap Bookers and hired for children's parties. This offers shared use of facilities to the community and assists with revenue.

CHILL OUT FUND 2010-2011

Reference #: Meeting date:

Name of Organisation: Name of Project:

Revenue: Capital:

		Revenue	Capital
Total Cost of the Project (include funding already in place)		5000	5000
	New Equipment		5000
	Training and time for professional trainer	5000	
Identify amount and source of matched funding in place	East Area Parliament for the training and time for professional training	2500	
	Donation from a local county Cllr for same as above	2500	
Total Grant Aid requested from the Chill Out Fund			5000

Area: Central Northern Southern

Brief description of project

Getting young people off the streets and bringing them in to a friendly gym where they are taught by a professional trainer on how to lift weights safely and how to keep fit, the instructors will devise a fitness programme to suit the need of the young person specific needs and will update on request, we will also teach them healthy eating

young people benefiting

Age range:

Have they applied before Yes

No

If yes, when, how much and have they completed evaluation form

Comments:

This is an interesting project offering a professional opportunity for young people. The number of recipients is low and thus suggest a contribution towards this of £2500 to match the other two funders. It is crucial that members are increased if this to become a well used positive activity for young people and specifically links with The Riverside Centre and Donnington Doorstep need fostering. This activity must be logged on the Positive Activity website www.activitiesoxfordshire.info to ensure a larger number of young people can be reached

Completed by: *Ruth Ashwell*

Suggested amount to award
£2500



Chill Out Fund Application Form

1. Name of Organisation

UNIQUE BODIES

Name of Project

2. Children and young people

Specify the age range of the children/young people that will be supported

14 - 19

Number of children/young people will benefit

10

Describe how children/young people have been involved in this application (please attach any supporting documentation to demonstrate their involvement)

THE YOUNG PEOPLE CAME UP WITH THE IDEA AND TALKED THERE FRIENDS IN TO JOINING, WHICH MEANT MORE YOUNG PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS.

3. Access to positive activity in children/young people's leisure-time

Describe the project

GETTING YOUNG PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS AND BRINGING THEM IN TO A FRIENDLY GYM WHERE THEY ARE TAUGHT BY A PROFESSIONAL TRAINER ON HOW TO LIFT WEIGHTS SAFELY AND HOW TO KEEP FIT. THE INSTRUCTORS WILL DEVISE A FITNESS PROGRAMME TO SUIT THERE SPECIFIC NEEDS AND WILL UPDATE IT ON REQUEST.

Describe why this project is important

MOST YOUNG PEOPLE ARE OUT ON THE STREETS BECAUSE THEY HAVE NOTHING TO DO AND SOME OF THEM ARE MISUNDERSTOOD AND JUST WANT TO DO SOMETHING GOOD WITH THEIR LIFE BUT THERE PARENTS CANT AFFORD TO PAY OUT FOR CLUBS. THE GYM IS A GOOD WAY TO WORK OFF THEIR FRUSTRATION, KEEP FIT AND ~~MAKE THEM~~ BUILD CONFIDENCE TO HELP THEM FIND A JOB. THERE ARE ABOUT 10 OVERWEIGHT YOUNG PEOPLE. THIS IS A GOOD WAY OF GETTING THEM IN SHAPE, AND THE SAFE WAY.

Describe the desired outcomes and impact for children/young people and local communities

KEEPING YOUNG PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS, OUT OF TROUBLE, KEEPING THEM IN A SAFE PLACE, BUILDING CONFIDENCE TO HELP IN THE FUTURE, FIND A JOB MAY BE AS A TRAINER OR BODYBUILDER, A QUIETER COMMUNITY FOR RESIDENTS, THE YOUNG PEOPLE MAKING NEW FRIENDS AND BEING TAUGHT TO EAT HEALTHY, STOPPING THEM GETTING OVER WEIGHT.

4. How much will the project cost?

Please let us know what the project costs are, breakdown the costs for both capital and/or revenue, identify how much and from where matched funding has been achieved and enter the amount(s) applied for from the Chill Out Fund

		Revenue	Capital
Total Cost of the Project (include funding already in place)		£5000	£5000
Breakdown of costs	NEW EQUIPMENT THAT YOUNG PEOPLE CAN USE SAFELY.		£5000
Identify amount and source of matched funding in place	BEST AREA PARLIAMENT FOR THE TRAINING AND TIME FOR THE FEDERAL PROFESSIONAL TRAINER.	£2500	£2
	A DONATION FROM A LOCAL COUNCIL CLUB FOR THE SAME AS ABOVE.	£2500	
Total Grant Aid requested from the Chill Out Fund			£5000

5. Timescale

What is the timescale for this project (these must be within the 2010/2011 financial year)

Start APRIL 2010	Finish APRIL 2011
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Division(s): N/A

CABINET MEMBER – 1 JUNE 2010

APPROVAL OF LARGE CAPITAL GRANT PROJECTS FOR EARLY YEARS PROVISION

Report by Director for Children, Young People & Families

Introduction

1. On 16 September 2008 the Cabinet approved the Oxfordshire Early Years Capital Programme 2008-2011. This sets out the plans for expenditure of £7.8 million that has been made available by the Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF) to secure significant investment in early years provision, mostly to benefit children in the non-maintained sector.
2. 59 expressions of interest for Large Grants (> £10,000) were received from early years providers. 44 of these projects have been approved (subject to contractual agreement), and a further 5 shortlisted, by the Cabinet Member on 5 May 2009, 7 July 2009, 4 November 2009 and 7 April 2010.

Development of the Shortlisted Projects

3. The shortlisted early years providers (for grants > £25,000) were invited to complete a full application form for return to the Council by 31 March 2010 at the latest.
4. On-site visits were arranged for meetings between Council officers, the early years provider and the landowner or school (as appropriate).
5. Advice has been provided by Council legal, finance and procurement officers as to the most appropriate forms of funding agreement and contractual processes for awarding and distributing grants.
6. One further project is now recommended for approval, subject to appropriate contractual agreement:
 - Stanford Pre School is currently located in the village hall and operates on a 'pack-away' basis. A grant up to a maximum of £356,000 has been applied for to construct a purpose designed building providing activity room, office/meeting space, storage, toilets, kitchen and outdoor play space. The new building will be located on land adjacent to the Village Hall.

Financial and Staff Implications

7. The estimated cost of the project recommended for approval is £356,000, this cost will be met from capital grant provided by the DCSF to secure significant

investment in early years provision. The revenue costs associated with the ongoing operation and maintenance of the building will be met by the pre-school.

Equality and Inclusion

8. The Early Years Capital Grant is for the improvement of the learning environment in early years settings to support young children's play and learning with a view to raising achievement and narrowing the gap between disadvantaged children and the rest.

Sustainability

9. It is recognised that each project (that involves a new building, extension or major refurbishment) will not necessarily match the assessment criteria of the Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method (BREEAM) it will however seek to meet those principles and seek to achieve the level of 'GOOD'.

RECOMMENDATION

10. **The Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Families is RECOMMENDED to approve the application from Stanford in the Vale Pre-school for funding from the Early Years Capital Grant, subject to appropriate contractual agreement.**

MEERA SPILLETT

Director for Children, Young People & Families

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May 2010