Date: 2 March 2007

- TO: All Members of the South East Area Committee FOR ATTENDANCE
- TO: All Other Members of the Council FOR INFORMATION

Dear Sir/Madam

# Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE to be held in the CIVIC HALL, WANTAGE on TUESDAY, 13TH MARCH, 2007 at 7.00 PM.

Yours faithfully

Terry Stock Chief Executive

Members are reminded of the provisions contained in Part 2 of the Local Code of Conduct, and Standing Order 34 regarding the declaration of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

#### AGENDA

#### Open to the Public including the Press

A large print version of this agenda is available. Any background papers referred to may be inspected by prior arrangement. Contact Steve Culliford, Democratic Services Officer, on telephone number (01235) 540307.

#### Map and Vision

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A map showing the location of the venue for this meeting, together with a copy the Council Vision are attached.

#### 1. <u>Apologies for Absence</u>

To receive apologies for absence.

#### 2. <u>Minutes</u>

To adopt and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting of the Committee South East Area Committee held on 12 September 2006, (previously circulated with the Council Summons dated 18 October 2006).

#### 3. <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

To receive any declarations of Personal or Personal and Prejudicial Interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

In accordance with Part 2 of the Local Code of Conduct and the provisions of Standing Order 34, any Member with a personal interest must disclose the existence and nature of that interest to the meeting prior to the matter being debated. Where that personal interest is also a prejudicial interest, then the Member must withdraw from the room in which the meeting is being held and not seek improperly to influence any decision about the matter unless he/she has obtained a dispensation from the Standards Committee.

#### 4. Urgent Business and Chairman's Announcements

To receive notification of any matters, which the Chairman determines, should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances, which have made the matters urgent, and to receive any announcements from the Chairman.

#### 5. <u>Statements and Petitions from the Public Under Standing Order 32</u>

Any statements and/or petitions from the public under Standing Order 32 will be made or presented at the meeting.

#### 6. Questions from the Public Under Standing Order 32

Any questions from members of the public under Standing Order 32 will be asked at the meeting.

#### 7. South East Area Community Grants

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To receive and consider report 166/06 of the Strategic Director and Monitoring Officer.

#### Exempt Information Under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972

None.

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# Agenda Item 7

VALE OF WHITE HORSE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Report No 166/06 Wards Affected: All wards in the North East Area

#### REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR TO THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE 13 MARCH 2007

#### **Community Grants**

#### 1.0 Introduction and Report Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise on the new process for delegating the determination of grants, to set out the budget position for this Committee in respect of Community Grants in 2006/07 and in 2007/08, to invite Members to consider and determine the grant applications received since the last meeting and to invite Members to agree a principle for awarding grants for additional parish cleansing.
- 1.2 The Contact Officer for this report is Lorna Edwards, Community Strategy Officer (Tel: 01235 547626)

#### 2.0 <u>Recommendations</u>

- (a) Members are asked to note that the process for delegating the determination of community grants applications (outlined in the report at Appendix A) has been approved by the Executive and that the grant narratives have been amended to reflect this
- (b) Members are asked to note that the Committee's remaining budget for 2006/07 is £9,827.88
- (c) Members are asked to consider and determine the grant application, the agenda and the Council priority in respect of the following:
- (i) Wantage Stage Musical Company, £1,918, towards the cost of equipment for stage productions, Social Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority
- (ii) East Challow Parish Council, £2,000, towards the cost of safety surfacing in a play area, Social Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority
- (*iii*)*The owner of Lyford Manor Farm*, a contribution towards the cost of willow pollarding, Environmental Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority
- (d) Members are asked to note that the South East Area Committee's budget for 2007/08 is £24,895
- (e) Members are invited to request that the Executive approves the carrying forward of any unspent grant budget from 2006/07 into 2007/08
- (f) Members are asked to determine their principle for awarding grants for additional parish cleansing in 2007/08 and invited to determine these grants to be paid from the 2007/08 budget
- (g) Members are asked to determine the grant application from Wantage Summer Festival 2007 from the 2007/08 budget, as the event will begin before the next meeting of this Committee, and to determine the Agenda and Council priority for this application, included on Appendix B as item (iv)
  - (iv) Wantage Summer Festival 2007, £3,200, towards the cost of organising the

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festival, Social Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority

(h) Members are asked to note the range of projects, services and events supported by the South East Area Committee in 2006/07 to date, as shown at Appendix D

#### 3.0 <u>Relationship with the Council's Vision, Strategies and Policies</u>

3.1 This report supports the Council's Vision and Priorities. It also supports the Vale Community Strategy. It does not conflict with any Council strategy or policy.

#### 4.0 <u>The delegation of the determination of community grant applications</u>

- 4.1 Following a recommendation by the Council's Constitution Advisory Group on 28 September 2006 and the subsequent approval by Council on 18 October 2006, the Chairs and Chairmen of the four Area Committees were invited to a meeting on 13 December 2006 where a process for applications to be considered without the need to hold a Committee meeting was drawn up. The process was considered in a report to the Executive on 5 January 2007 and agreed.
- 4.2 The process will be used to determine community grant applications by e-mail (or post where a Member does not have e-mail) if a scheduled area committee meeting is cancelled. The meeting will be cancelled if by 15 working days before the scheduled date of the area committee meeting no grant applications have been received or the total value of grant applications received is less than £4,000.
- 4.3 If at this time there are applications that have been received (but in total the value of grants applied for is less than  $\pounds4,000$ ) officers will prepare a short narrative report and recommendation for each application.
- 4.4 The narrative must include any written statement that the applicant wishes to submit and the recommendations must include:
  - Advice to approve or decline the application (there must be a reason for the advice that makes reference to the Council's priorities, the Area Committee's priorities and the community grant scheme criteria).

If approval is recommended:

- Advice on amount of grant to offer
- Advice on any special conditions that must be satisfied before the grant is paid
- 4.5 For the purposes of consistency and in order to avoid confusion, all narratives whether they will be considered by Members at a meeting of the North East Area Committee or by officer delegation, are now being prepared with an officer recommendation according to the principles set out above.

#### 5.0 <u>Community Grants</u>

#### 5.1 <u>Budget</u>

The current budget position for the South East Area Committee for Community Grants is as follows:

Budget b/f 2005/06	Budget 2006/07	Total budget 2006/07	Environmenta I Agenda Proportion	Social Agenda Proportio n	Economic Agenda Proportio n	Discretionar y Proportion
£4,189.8 8	£25,084	£29,273.8 8	£8,779.40	£8,779.40	£2,508.40	£9,206.68
	Allocated	£19,446	£1,946	£17,500	£0	£8,720 to social

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#### 5.2 <u>Community Grants</u>

- 5.3 An application has been received in respect of the following and there are narratives providing additional details at Appendix B.
  - (i) Wantage Stage Musical Company, £1,918, towards the cost of equipment for stage productions, Social Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority
  - (ii) East Challow Parish Council, £2,000, towards the cost of safety surfacing in a play area, Social Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority
  - (iii) The owner of Lyford Manor Farm, a contribution towards the cost of willow pollarding, Environmental Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority

#### 6.0 <u>Method of determining the 2007/08 budget for Area Committees</u>

- 6.1 The South East Area budget for 2007/08 has been calculated based on the electorate in the South East Area on 1 January 2007. The same principle has been applied to determine the budget for other Area Committees.
- 6.2 The details for the South East Area are as follows:

	Electorate 01/01/06	Electorate 01/01/07	% of electorate 01/01/06	% of electorate 01/01/07	Apportion- ment	Budget 06/07	Budget 07/08
	25,371	25,569	28.00%	27.80%	21.9533%	£25,084	£24,895
Totals whole of Vale	89,729	92,013	100%	100%	100%	£113,400	£113,400

#### 7.0 Carry forward of unspent grant

Members are invited to request that the Executive approves the carrying forward of any unspent grant budget from 2006/07 into 2007/08.

#### 8.0 Parish Cleansing bids for 2007/08

- 8.1 At the meeting of the South East Area Committee on14 March 2006 the members of the Committee determined their principle for awarding such grants in the South East Area for 2006/07, namely that grants would be awarded but the level of grant would be limited to 40% of the total cost where that total was calculated on the basis of an hourly rate of £6.00.
- 8.2 Members of the Committee are invited to determine their principle for awarding grants for additional parish cleansing in 2007/08 and to determine the bids submitted.
- 8.3 The bids for additional parish cleansing which have been received by the deadline are listed in the table under Appendix C.
- 8.4 The table includes a column showing the amount that would be awarded if the Committee adopts the same principle as for the current year.

#### 9.0 Wantage Summer Festival 2007

9.1 An application has been received from Wantage Summer Festival (WSF) for a grant

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towards the costs of the 2007 festival which begins on 9 June. WSF has already been awarded a grant in the current financial year towards the 2006 festival last summer. The grants criteria do not allow more than one award to be made to the same organisation in one year for the same project. As the Wantage Summer Festival is a recurring event, the Committee agreed last March that it is in effect the same project and should therefore be funded from the following year's budget.

The grant being sought is towards publicity and administration costs and as such these costs need to be incurred well in advance of the event. If the application is only considered at the first meeting of the new financial year, the costs would have been incurred which would render the application ineligible for consideration.

The Committee is invited to consider and determine the application now and to note that any award made will be allocated from the 2007/08 budget. Payment of any grant awarded will only be made in the new financial year.

(iv) Wantage Summer Festival 2007, £3,200, towards the cost of organising the festival, Social Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority

#### 10.0 Projects, services and events supported by the South East Area Committee

- 10.1 At the first meeting of the current financial year Members of the Committee adopted a prospectus setting out the priorities for community grants in the South East Area in 2006/07 based on the strands of the Vale Community Strategy.
- 10.2 The table at Appendix D shows the projects, services and events supported this year to date by the South East Area Committee. As well as showing a breakdown of the grants awarded by Environmental, Social and Economic Agendas, the table shows whether the applications met the Community Grants Scheme criteria and which strand of the South East Area Prospectus, and thus of the Vale Community Strategy, they support.

Members are asked to note the information provided.

#### TOBY WARREN HEAD OF COMMUNITY STRATEGY

#### TIM SADLER STRATEGIC DIRECTOR AND MONITORING OFFICER

Background Papers: Appendix A - Application Details

#### APPENDIX A

#### VALE OF WHITE HORSE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Report No. /06 Wards affected – All

#### REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR & MONITORING OFFICER TO EXECUTIVE 5TH JANUARY 2007

#### **Delegation of the Determination of Community Grant Applications**

#### 1.0 Introduction and Report Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is, to propose a process whereby community grant applications can be determined using delegated powers to the contentment of the whole of the membership of an Area Committee.
- 1.2 This report has been prepared as a result of the recommendation by the Council's Constitution Advisory Group on the 28th September 2006 and the subsequent approval by Council, on 18th October 2006, of an addition to the scheme of delegation.
- 1.3 The contact officer for this report is Toby Warren, Head of Community Strategy (Tel: 01235 547695).

#### 2.0 <u>Recommendations</u>

- 2.1 Members are requested to approve that when the total value of community grants applied for is less than  $\pounds$  4,000 the relevant area committee meeting should be cancelled and the grant applications should be determined by email (or post if an elected member does not have email).
- 2.2. Members are requested to approve the proposed process for the determination of grants by email (which is described in paragraphs 5.1 to 5.13).

#### 3.0 Relationship with the Council's Vision, Strategies and Policies

- 3.1 This report supports the Council's Vision and Aims
- 3.2 It does not conflict with any Council strategy or any Council policy.

#### 4.0 <u>Background</u>

- 4.1 All applications for community grants of more than £ 500 are decided by the Council's Executive Committee (when a grant application has district wide implications) or one of its Area Committees (West, North East, South East and Abingdon). These committees are made up of elected district councillors.
- 4.2 Community grant applications for less than £500 are not normally presented at a committee meeting. These applications are determined by officers, using delegated authority in consultation with the Chair of the relevant committee.
- 4.3 In the past year there have been several occasions when the main item on an area committee's agenda has been the determination of community grant applications but only one or two grant applications require determination or the total value of the grant applications has been less than  $\pounds$  4,000.
- 4.4 In these circumstances the costs of room hire, officer time and officers' and elected members' travelling expenses means that it is difficult to justify the holding of a meeting.

- 4.5 However it is important that all community grant applications are determined with due consideration in a timely way to ensure that applicants do not have to wait unduly for a decision about a grant application. A delayed decision could delay the start of a project which is very important for the local community.
- 4.6 The Council's Constitution Advisory Group recommended on 28th September 2006 ' that the Area Committees be invited to amend their delegation to allow a small number of applications to be dealt with under delegated authority or by agreement outside of a meeting.'
- 4.7 On 18th October 2006 Council approved the following addition to the scheme of delegation:
  - Deputy Director Planning and Community Strategy; Executive Functions:
  - To approve applications for community grants made to an Area Committee (to) the contentment of the whole of the membership of the Area Committee
- 4.8 The Strategic Director and Monitoring Officer advises that the aim of the delegation is that an Area Committee grant of any value can now be approved without the necessity to call a meeting. The Strategic Director and Monitoring Officer also advises that the Deputy Director, Planning and Community Strategy can further delegate this function to the Head of Community Strategy. The Deputy Director has confirmed this further delegation in writing.
- 4.9 The next section of this report proposes a process by which the delegation can be exercised to the contentment of the whole of the membership of the Area Committee.

#### 5.0 <u>The Proposed Process for Determination by Email</u>

- 5.1 If by 15 working days before the scheduled date of the area committee meeting no grant applications have been received or the total value of grants applied for is less than £ 4,000 the meeting will be cancelled subject to the approval of the Chair of the relevant Area Committee.
- 5.2 If at this time there are applications that have been received (but in total the value of grants applied for is less than  $\pounds$  4,000) officers will prepare a short narrative report and recommendation for each application.
- 5.3 The narrative must include any written statement that the applicant wishes to submit and the recommendation must include:
  - Advice to approve or decline the application (there must be a reason for the advice that makes reference to the Council's priorities, the Area Committee's priorities and the community grant scheme criteria.)

If approval is recommended:

- Advice on amount of grant to offer
- Advice on any special conditions that must be satisfied before the grant is paid
- 5.4 The report and recommendation will be discussed with the chair of the committee and the relevant ward councillors. The committee chair and ward councillors can request amendments to the recommendation. The committee chair and/or ward councillors for the affected town or parish can request that the application is deferred until the next committee meeting.
- 5.5 Officers then circulate the report and recommendation to members of the committee by e-mail (or post if a member does not have e-mail). Members will be requested to respond within 5 working days of despatch. A majority of committee members must respond. If a member does not respond within this time period it will be assumed that the member has abstained from making a decision.

- 5.6 Members responding should indicate any personal or prejudicial interest and whether they are for or against; or propose an amendment of any part of the recommendation. Responses against or proposed amendments should include a short explanation of the member's decision.
- 5.7 If a majority of members responding are for or against the full recommendation the applicant will be advised accordingly. In the case of an equality of responses the chair's response will be casting.
- 5.8 If a majority of members responding are for a recommendation to approve an application but propose amendment of the amount of grant or conditions the applicant will be advised that the committee has been 'approved in principle' and the applicant can commence the project (which is the subject of the application) at their own risk. The final determination of the application will be deferred to the next committee meeting.
- 5.9 The intention will be that applications are determined or deferred by the date on which the committee would have met, had the meeting not been cancelled. It is important that applicants are not disadvantaged or inconvenienced by the cancellation of a meeting.
- 5.10 Details of decisions made by e-mail will be reported at the next meeting of the committee. The minutes of this meeting will be published on the Council's website.
- 5.11 If a committee meeting is cancelled and grant applications are determined by email the next scheduled meeting of the committee should take place, regardless of the number or value of grant applications to be determined at the meeting.
- 5.12 It is not intended that the decision by email process should be used to fast track applications so that they are determined before the date of the next scheduled committee meeting. However if an applicant makes a clear case that an application is urgent (e.g. property repairs need to be carried to reduce the risk of property damage) officers, following consultation with the chair of the relevaant area committee, can use the decision by email process.
- 5.13 The decision by email process can also be used by the Executive if there is a clear case that a grant application that will be determined by the Executive needs to be determined before the date of the next scheduled Executive meeting.

#### 6.0 <u>Conclusion</u>

- 6.1 When the total value of grants applied for is less than £ 4,000 the determination by email process will allow a meeting to be cancelled. This is a cost efficiency but applicants are not disadvantaged or inconvenienced by the cancellation of a meeting.
- 6.2 The cancellation of an Area Committee meeting because there are insufficient matters requiring decisions by members does not preclude members of a committee (through the chair) requesting officers to convene a meeting of the area forum (which is not a decision making body) in order to discuss matters of interest with local communities. Forums can be organised at a lower cost because they are not decision making bodies and do not require the attendance of a democratic services officer.

#### TIM SADLER STRATEGIC DIRECTOR & MONITORING OFFICER

#### TOBY WARREN HEAD OF COMMUNITY STRATEGY

#### (i) Applicant: Wantage Stage Musical Company

Years in existence: 8 years and a further 12 years prior to that as Wantage Operatic Society

#### Type of organisation: Club

**Project, service or event details:** Wantage Stage Musical Company is seeking a grant to purchase 3 wipe tracks used to hold stage backcloths and two scaffold towers to erect and hold scenery. This will enable the Company to transform the school hall they hire into a professional stage for their main productions at a saving of several hundred pounds on each occasion which should contribute to the future balancing of accounts.

Unfortunately Wantage Civic Hall does not lend itself to the used of wipe tracks and associated scenery, but the two scaffold towers will permit the mounting and moving of scenery there, thus enabling the Company to hire it as a venue for productions in 2007 and 2008.

The Company gives much pleasure and benefit to a wide section of the community: to members in terms of providing the means to develop skills and interests, to the local community through the provision of dance, drama and singing lessons.

The Company also provides a supportive framework for at least four members who have special needs. Local disability groups of all types regularly attend performances.

**Supports following Vale Community Strategy strands:** Recreation, Culture and Leisure, Town and Village Vitality, Education and Lifelong Learning and Health and Wellbeing.

Area of the Vale covered: Wantage, Grove and surrounding villages

Estimate of number of people the project/service/event will benefit: approximately 1,000 cast and audiences

**Charge to public for using the project/service/event?:** Tickets are sold for each performance. The Company has set up a Friends Scheme. There is also a membership fee.

**Total estimated project cost:** £1,632 excl VAT, £1,918 incl VAT (VAT cannot be reclaimed)

Balances: The productions currently make a loss

Running costs: Details not submitted with application but should be available at the meeting

Own Contribution: None

Grant Sought: £1,918

Previous Awards (Vale): None

Parish Council Support: Applicant will apply to Wantage Town Council

Parish Precept: £119,000 (Band D: £31.07)

**Other Support:** Applicant has not sought other funding. Last year they received grants from Awards for All and the Co-op. Applicants cannot apply to Awards for All in consecutive years.

Officer recommendation (Toby Warren, Head of Community Strategy):

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Recommend support	Yes
Amount recommended	£500
Reasons:	
Meets CG Scheme criteria	Yes
Supports Council priority(ies)	Cleaner, greener, safer and healthier community and environment
Supports prospectus strand(s)	Recreation, Culture & Leisure, Town & Village Vitality, Education & Lifelong Learning
Remaining budget	£9,827.88
Remaining Committee meetings	0
Total amount recommended for other applications being considered	£2,000
Recommended conditions to grant award	Must seek contribution from other sources including Wantage Town and Grove Parish Councils
Other comments	

#### (ii) Applicant: East Challow Parish Council

**Project, service or event details:** The Parish Council is seeking a grant towards the cost of installing safety surfacing as part of a larger project to purchase and install new play equipment in the village play area. The majority of the play area was installed in the 1960s and requires replacement and updating to comply with current safety and disability legislation. The proposed play area will comprise a range of equipment suitable for different age groups spanning 2-14 years. The equipment has been chosen because it is fun but also promotes fitness, balancing skills, mental agility, physical co-ordination and competitive spirit.

**Supports following Vale Community Strategy strands:** Recreation, Culture and Leisure, Town and Village Vitality and Health and Wellbeing, Safe & Supportive Communities

Area of the Vale covered: East Challow

Estimate of number of people the project/service/event will benefit: 100 children

Charge to public for using the project/service/event?: No charges

Total estimated project cost: £22,800 excl VAT, of which £6,687 is towards the cost of safety surfaces			
Own Contribution:	Third Party Funding ( $\pounds$ 1,760) for WREN grant plus shortfall after grants		
Grant Sought:	£2,000		
Previous Awards (Vale):	Grant awarded in 2000 towards replacement tennis court		
Parish Precept:	£18,000 ('Band D': £44.42)		
Other Support:	WREN £16,000		

#### Officer recommendation (Toby Warren, Head of Community Strategy):

Recommend support	Yes
Amount recommended	£2,000
Reasons:	

Meets CG Scheme criteria	Yes
Supports Council priority(ies)	Cleaner, greener, safer and healthier
	community and environment
Supports prospectus strand(s)	Town & Village Vitality, Health & Wellbeing,
	Safe & Supportive Communities
Remaining budget	£9,827.88
Remaining Committee meetings	0
Total amount recommended for other	£500
applications being considered	
Recommended conditions to grant	
award	
Other comments	

#### (iii) Applicant: The owner, Lyford Manor Farm, Lyford

#### Brief outline of work

Pollarding of up to 37 willows, which are publicly visible, along the banks of the River Ock on privately-owned land.

#### **Financial Information:**

Total cost of work: £2,750

#### Officer comment (George Reade, Arboriculture Officer):

Willows need to be pollarded on a regular basis to preserve them in tact. If this is not done the trees collapse. Pollarded willows are an important part of the rural landscape of the Vale and are to be found growing along the banks of many of the streams and watercourses.

As there is a history of flooding on this part of the Ock the owner of Lyford Manor Farm is anxious to maintain the trees in a condition which provides the maximum support to the river bank.

This row of willow is not the subject of Tree Preservation Orders but the trees are visible from a public place.

#### Officer recommendation (Toby Warren, Head of Community Strategy):

Recommend support	Yes
Amount recommended	Members are requested to determine the application
Reasons:	
Meets CG Scheme criteria	N/A; formerly separate grant scheme with own criteria which this application meets
Supports Council priority(ies)	Cleaner, greener, healthier and safer community and environment
Supports prospectus strand(s)	-
Remaining budget	£9,827.88
Remaining Committee meetings	0
Total amount recommended for other applications being considered	£2,500
Recommended conditions to grant award	
Other comments	Please refer to Arboriculture Officer's comment

#### Years in existence: 12 years

**Type of organisation:** Umbrella co-ordinating organisation run by volunteers

**Project, service or event details:** Wantage Summer Festival is seeking a grant towards the cost of coordinating the festival from 9 June – 8 July 2007 in Wantage and its surrounding area. The festival aims to involve approximately 45 arts, crafts and community groups. The Youth Service will also be creating a showcase for music groups to offer specialised family entertainment. As in previous years, the month-long programme of activities has been devised and supervised by local volunteers. The festival confirms Wantage and the Vale as a centre of local artistic excellence and opportunity, enhancing community spirit and reinforcing individual group efforts. It involves a large number of schools, churches and artistic groups and societies.

Wantage Summer Festival is an umbrella organisation which funds all workshops, programmes, tickets and all publicity materials. All entrance and ticket fees go to the individual groups involved.

**Supports following Vale Community Strategy strands:** Recreation, Culture and Leisure, Safe and Supportive Communities, Town and Village Vitality, Education and Lifelong Learning and Health and Wellbeing.

Area of the Vale covered: Takes place in Wantage, involves many local people but event is open to anyone

Estimate of number of people the project/service/event will benefit: Approx 1,000

**Charge to public for using the project/service/event?:** There is a charge to attend most events and the income from ticket sales goes to the participating groups

**Total estimated project cost:** £4,300 incl VAT (VAT cannot be reclaimed)

Balances: £4,220

Running costs: 2006 festival expenditure: £3,345

**Own Contribution:** Volunteer time and labour

Grant Sought: £3,200

Previous Awards (Vale):	£2,500 2006/07 £2,500 2005/06 £3,500 2004/05
Parish Council Support:	Awaiting confirmation of £1,100 from Wantage Town Council
Parish Precept:	£119,000 (Band D: £31.07)
Other Support:	Donation expected from the local

Other Support: Donation expected from the local youth organisation

#### Officer recommendation (Toby Warren, Head of Community Strategy):

Recommend support	Yes
Amount recommended	£2,000

Reasons:	
Meets CG Scheme criteria	Yes
Supports Council priority(ies)	Cleaner, greener, safer and healthier community and environment
Supports prospectus strand(s)	Recreation, Culture & Leisure, Town & Village Vitality, Education & Lifelong Learning
Remaining budget	N/A because 07/08 budget
Remaining Committee meetings	0
Total amount recommended for other applications being considered	
Recommended conditions to grant award	
Other comments	

South East Area Committee Parish Cleansing Bids for 2007/08

# APPENDIX C

Parish	Areas	Frequency	Hours Rate		Total	Amount	Grant	Comments/options for	Possible grant
			p.a.		Amount	requested	in 06/07	litter reduction pursued	for 2007/08*
Blewbury	Footpaths through village	Weekly	50	50 £7.50	£375.00	£120.00	£120.00		£120.00
Charney Bassett	Village roads	Not stated	60	60 £5.35	£321.00	£160.00	£144.00		£144.00
Childrey	Weed removal around village hall	Twice p.a.			£150.00	£77.50	£0.03	20.00 Not valid - County Council responsible for this work	£0.00
Harwell	Roads & footpaths	Weekly	455	£6.36	£2,893.00	455 £6.36 £2,893.00 £2,893.00	£1,121.00	£1,121.00 100% funding sought but happy with contribution	£1,092.00
West Hendred	Around bus shelter on A417	Monthly	12	12 £6.00	£72.00	£29.00	£29.00		£29.00
Letcombe Regis	Village roads and paths	Weekly	156	£6.50	156 £6.50 £1,014.00	£507.00	£507.00 Did not apply		£374.00
Milton	Various roads	Weekly	208	£5.35	208 £5.35 £1,112.80	£556.40	£400.00	£400.00 McDonalds has provided litter bins	£499.00
Chilton	Main road through village	Weekly	52	52 £7.00	£364.00	£172.50	£96.00		£125.00
Total					£6,301.80	£6,301.80 £4,515.40	£1,910.00		£2,383.00
* Calculated accoi	Calculated according to principle adopted in 06/07								

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Applicant	Amount	Amount	Date	Amount	Purpose					
	Requested	Allocated	Granted	Paid		Agenda	Agenda	Agenda	Criteria (a)	Prospectus
						Enviro	Social	Econ	compliance	Priority (b)
Ardington & Lockinge Parish Council	£7,441.00	536.00	14/03/06	£36.00	Parish Cleansing	£36.00			Y	ENV
Charney Bassett Parish Council	£320.00	£144.00	14/03/06	£144.00	Parish Cleansing	£144.00			Y	ENV
Harwell Parish Council	£2,970.00	£1,121.00	14/03/06	£1,121.00	Parish Cleansing	£1,121.00			Y	ENV
Milton Parish Council	00.0063	£400.00	14/03/06	5400.00	£400.00 Parish Cleansing	£400.00			Y	ENV
Blewbury Parish Council	£375.00	£120.00	14/03/06	£120.00	£120.00 Parish Cleansing	£120.00			7	ENV
Chilton Parish Council	£332.50	£96.00	14/03/06	£96.00	£96.00 Parish Cleansing	£96.00			Y	ENV
West Hendred Parish Council	£300.00	529.00	14/03/06	00.623	£29.00 Parish Cleansing	£29.00			Y	ENV
Childrey Parish Council	£150.00	00'03	14/03/06		Parish Cleansing	£0.00			Z	
Wantage Summer Festival 2006		£2,500.00	14/03/06	£2,500.00	Summer Festival 2006		£2,500.00		Y	RCL
Wantage/Grove & District Twinning Ass	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	13/06/06	52,000.00	Twinning SLA		£2,000.00		Y	TVV
Hendreds Twinning Group	£500.00	£500.00	13/06/06	£500.00	Twinning SLA		£500.00		Y	TVV
Ardington & Lockinge Parish Council	£7,441.00	52,000.00	13/06/06	£2,000.00			£2,000.00		Y	TVV
Camel Pre-School, Wantage	£10,000.00	£2,500.00	13/06/06	£2,500.00	2,500.00 Refurbishment of pre-school		£2,500.00		Y	ELL
Harwell Parochial Charities	£800.00	£500.00	13/06/06	**	3rd party funding;Almshouses repair		£500.00		Y	ENV
Wentage Nursing Home Charitable Trust	t £20,000.00	£5,000.00	13/06/06	**	Purchase of land to build nursing home		£5,000.00		SC	ΗW
🗮 arsholt, West Hendred	£6,495.00	£0.00	13/06/06		Rebuild part of garden wall & repoint rest	£0.00			Z	
📆e Dell, Harwell	£10,200.00	£0.00	13/06/06		Replace thatching and re-ridge	£0.00			Z	
<u>Win</u> ding Way Cottage, Blewbury	£6,525.00	00'03	13/06/06		Re-thatch the ridge	£0.00			Z	
batcombe B. Recn Grnd Task Group	£4,092.00	£2,500.00	12/09/06	*	Safety surfacing for recreation ground		£2,500.00		Y	TVV
Totals	£80,841.50	£19,446.00		£11,446.00		£1,946.00	£17,500.00	£0.00		
Budaet c/f 2005/06	£4.189.88									
Budget 2006/07	£25,084.00									
Total Available 2006/07	£29,273.88									
Total allocated	£19,446.00									
Total paid	£11,446.00									
Balance Remaining to be allocated	£9,827.88									
(a) Criteria compliance: Y = yes; N = No; SC = special case	; SC = special c	ase								
(b) These refer to the strands of the Vale	e Community St	rategy: HW H	ealth & Well	being; ENV	(b) These refer to the strands of the Vale Community Strategy: HW Health & Wellbeing; ENV Environment; RCL Recreation, Culture & Leisure; SSC Safe &	Leisure; SSC S	Safe & Suppo	Supportive Communities	nunities	
* This grant has not yet been claimed but it is expected that it will be claimed before 31	t it is expected t	hat it will be cla	aimed before	e 31 March 2007	2007					
** These grants will not be claimed before 31 March 2007	e 31 March 200	7								