

## Local Area Agreement Performance Reward Grant Programme Update

<b>What is your request of the LSP Board?</b>	The LSP Board is asked to: Note the update on the funding opportunities Community Empowerment Fund Press Release
<b>What do you want from the Theme Delivery Partnerships?</b>	Theme Delivery Partnerships are asked to update their membership on the funding.
<b>Background material</b>	<b>Appendix 1:</b> Community Enablement Fund Profile <b>Appendix 2:</b> Community Empowerment Fund Press Release

### Background

The LAA Performance Reward Grant Programme was last discussed by the LSP Board on 14<sup>th</sup> December. At this meeting it was agreed that the funding would be distributed through a 'Main Fund' (£1m) and a 'Small Grants Fund' (£300k).

### Key Progress

- The PRG is now being viewed as part of the wider Community Enablement Funding. Detail of this wider funding is at **Appendix 1**.
- The Council, as the accountable body has now agreed that the process outlined to the LSP Board on 14<sup>th</sup> December will be the method of distributing the funding. The LSP Executive is the decision maker for the Main Fund. The relevant theme sponsor will act as the sponsor for their theme's bids.
- The LSP Task Group that was formed at the LSP Board request met to discuss the communications for the funding on 7<sup>th</sup> March. The Task Group also inputted into the process for the allocation of funding.
- A press release has been published on the funding at **Appendix 2**. This is the first step in widely publicising the funding opportunities.
- Bidding for the Small Grants Fund has now opened and is available by either contacting Funding & Programmes or by accessing the Community funding page on the Council website.

### LSP Board's Role in Communicating the Funding

- Bidding for the Main Fund will be through the LSP Theme Delivery Partnerships. Members of the public will be able to submit funding ideas via the Council's website or by contacting Funding and Programmes in the Council. These ideas will be forwarded to the relevant Theme Delivery Partnerships.

**Members of LSP Board are asked to communicate the funding opportunities to their groups and networks.** To assist members of the

Board with this communication, information including presentations and guidance notes are available from Funding & Programmes. The theme coordinators for the theme delivery partnerships will also be able to assist in information giving information and help on the bidding process. The theme coordinators are:

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**Next Steps**

- The Main Fund is due to launch on 1<sup>st</sup> April.
- Ideas for funding on or after 1<sup>st</sup> April can either be submitted directly on the Council's Community Funding Information page or by contacting the Funding and Programmes Team on 01225 477278  
[fundingandprogrammes@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:fundingandprogrammes@bathnes.gov.uk)

- The LSP Board will be regularly updated with the progress of how and when the PRG is allocated.